

Title:

Leeds

Shelfmark:

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Description:

Six Leeds teenagers discuss their concerns for the future and outline their hopes and aspirations. Belle Isle is an area in the south of Leeds and Bridlington is a seaside resort to the northeast of Leeds.

Lexis:

naught = nothing; *cause* = because; *ussen* = ourselves; *aight* = anything; *yoursen* = yourself; *somewhat* = something; *nana* = grandmother (term of endearment); *mam* = mother (term of endearment); *kid* = child

Phonology:

definite article → [ʔ]; H-dropping; T-glottaling; TH-fronting; /r/ → [4 ~ r/]

GOAT [O: ~ 8:]; FACE [E:]; PRICE [a:¹]; START [a:]; NORTH [Q:]; NURSE [@: > E:]; GOOSE [Uu]; happy [E ~ I]

note also *litter* [II?@], (*be*)*cause* [bIkQs ~ kUz], *going to* [gUn@], *naught* [nOU? > naU?] and *aight* [OU?], *people* [pi:p@l] and *comfortable* [kUmft@b@l] and *animals* [anIm@lz], *borrowed* [bQ4@d], *us* [Uz], *our* [a:], *wouldn't* [wUn?], *better* [bE?@], *society* [s@sa:¹@?E], *citizen's* [sI?Iz@nz], *make* [mEk], *either* [i:v@], *little* [II? =l], *1997* [na:¹n?:i:nna:¹n?IsEv@n], *with* [wI], *water* [wQ:??@], *couldn't* [kUN?], *once* [wUns] and *didn't* [dIN?]

Grammar:

multiple negation (*can't really do naught; they don't give no money to the poor*)

third person singular *were* (*she were heartbroken, she were crying for ages, it were awful; last time I went abroad were 1997; it were good; it were once in a lifetime thingy*); first person singular *were* (*when I were little; I were on a holiday with my brother*)

first person plural possessive pronoun → *us* (*we earn us money; we give us odd change; we've got no money on us, just us mum*)

determiner phrase as tag (*I wouldn't like that, me*)

zero plural marker on nouns (*hundred pound; a thousand pound; a couple of year before that*)

determiner, those → *them* (*I don't like all them people that, do you know, they get their money from what their family's left to them*)

preterite *give* (*someone giving their last penny has more or less give more than someone that just give, like, a thousand pounds out of their millions*)

right as intensifier (*he's being right generous*)

relative pronoun → *what* (*all the debts what everybody's got*)

zero indefinite article (*it were _ once in a lifetime thingy*)

preposition, off → *off of* (*to get kids off of the streets and that*)