

- BABS** Right then, who wants a Yorkshire? I'm parched!
- (DEZZA offers BABS a green-looking liquid in a reusable glass bottle.)*
- DEZZA** Would you like some of this Babs? It's my homebrewed nettle tea. Handpicked from the bushes of Hackney canal then strained through recycled tofu lining.
- BABS** I think I'll stick to me builders, thanks Dezza . . .
- (As she makes herself a tea, RUSSELL enters with his face entirely covered in flour.)*
- RUSSELL** *(Brightly.)* Well that wasn't too bad, was it?! Phil was very kind about my cylindrical display unit. And if it hadn't have spun around and hit Pam in the face I'm sure she'd have liked it too.
- (He goes off to clean himself up.)*
- Meanwhile, GEMMA is waiting in line for the tea trolley next to BEN.)*
- BEN** Hello – sorry we've not been introduced – I'm Ben.
- GEMMA** Oh yes, Gemma, hi –
- (She shakes his hand.)*
- GEMMA** Oops, sorry – sticky . . . all that bloody treacle! *(Still holding his hand.)* We're stuck together now!
- BEN** *(Amused.)* Seems that way . . . !
- (She takes her hand away.)*
- GEMMA** Nah, don't worry, the way that went, I'll be gone by tomorrow . . .
- BEN** No, it was great –
- GEMMA** It's just cos I got a bit nervous, you know – being on telly. Still – yours looked nice . . .

WHATEVER'S COME BEFORE
CAKE IS THE CURE

(The BAKERS address the audience directly.)

RUSSELL

I couldn't believe it – once the show went out I was getting stopped everywhere! Apparently I'm a viral sensation – whatever that means.

DEZZA

I got offered my own TV show: The Hungry Hipster, filmed on my canal boat of course!

BABS

Well I couldn't wait around for Phil forever . . . so when my neighbour Terry invited me over for toad in the hole, how could I resist? And yes – that *is* a euphemism . . .

KIM

EVERY SLICE TAKES YOU CLOSE TO GLORY
EVERY BITE CAN TELL A LITTLE STORY

JIM

BUTTER UP THAT TIN
ADD THE BATTER AND

JIM / KIM

GIVE THE MIX A SPIN

PHIL

IF YOU'RE CROSS THEN BAKE OUT THE AGGRESSION

PAM

IT'S THE GREATEST FORM OF SELF-EXPRESSION

ALL 4

PUT YOUR OVEN ON
AND TAKE ME ALONG

BAKERS

TAKE ME ALONG!

COMPANY

CAKE IS THE CURE
THAT'S WHAT IT'S FOR