

Tretyakov Pavel

AL: Anne Lambert (Interviewer)

PT: Pavel Tretyakov (Interviewee)

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AL: Um. Who's the best storyteller in your family?

PT: Probably my mother.

AL: Your mother? Can you remember any of the stories she told you?

PT: She usually read me some book, books, our folklore, stories like that and other things like (indecipherable). I cannot be sure. Old stories was one, probably was first step in understanding wide world.

AL: Very good. That's very perceptive. Um, how did you mother tell you these stories? Where were you when she read?

PT: Usually we were sitting, at the table. I eat some food. My mother read stories was one way get me to eat because when I was young, I don't want to eat and when I hear stories I forgot about it and I just eat and eat and eat. I just eat.

AL: You forgot about everything when she was telling you a story. Did you ever ask her to tell another story or did you have a favorite that you wanted to hear over and over again?

PT: Yes, it's about Captain Blood.

AL: Uh-huh.

PT: It's a long story. It's about, I forgot who write that--

AL: Is it about a pirate?

PT: Yes, it's about a pirate. It's about seventeenth century, about Caribbean Sea. It's about Spanish about, Indian, about, pirates.

AL: What happened to Captain Blood and his men?

PT: He found part of his heart, and, there is young man, lady, lady--

AL: Ah! So it was a romantic story, too.

PT: Yes.

AL: Lots of adventures?

PT: Yes.

AL: Were there many fights in this story?

PT: Yes.

AL: How did they fight?

PT: Like usually, fight, with two warships, I don't know if it's international word or not, Importage.

AL: I don't know.

PT: When two ships come together and both teams try take each ship. Yes. Like this.

AL: Sword fighting?

PT: Yes. Sword fight.

AL: Did she read to you?

PT: Yes, she read to me. And when I was adult, I read it again--

AL: Very good. Very good.

PT: --several times.

AL: Sounds terrific! Do you read it in English?

PT: No. In Russian.

AL: Very good. OK, thank you very much.

PT: You're welcome.

End of interview

Approx. 3:46 mins.