APPENDIX 1

Gruntary – (from the verb gruntare - to use a single word to express a sentence of complex structure and meaning) compiled by young adults for older adults. A layman's guide to the art of brief speech.

Ah - I have just made an educated guess at what you mean.

Ahha! - Light is dawning.

Aargg! - This particular cliff is actually a lot higher than I fi rst appreciated.

Ha! - Caught you red-handed (or pink pawed).

Humph - I don't wish to discuss it.

Mmm - I'm trying to sound interested but I'm not actually listening.

Nope - You have never been more wrong.

Na - No - (without conviction).

Oh - I am defl ated and disappointed, but defi nitely not sulking. I never sulk.

OOooWwwAhhh - Saved for those occasions where events have overtaken any form of speech.

Ow! - You did that on purpose.

Pah - I'm ejecting a foreign body from my mouth.

So sweet! – Annoying, territorial, a flagrant snatcher of small, important objects – but cute, very cute.

Umph - Oh all right, you could have a point.

Urg! - This is gross!

What? - You have to be joking.

Yeah? - Pull the other one, it's got rabbits attached.

Yep - Got it in one.

Yuk - You don't actually eat this stuff do you?