

PANIC! Bursaries

Lottie Sadd 'mouthfuls - fraidward(s)'

Video Transcription

Timestamps are given.

Descriptions are written in standard text.

Audio & sounds are in quotations.

Film overview:

'*Fraidward(s)*' is a digital film. It is one of two videos in a series called 'mouthfuls'. The film consists of one shot which lasts for 9 minutes. The frame of the video is a close crop of someone's mouth. Throughout the film, the mouth explores the word 'fraidward'. 'Fraidward' is a new word created by a participant in a workshop held by the artist Lottie Sadd. The speaker takes time vocalising each letter of this word, and the different mouth shapes the word requires. The sounds the speaker's mouth makes are elongated and exaggerated.

00:00

A closed mouth twitches, purses lips, bites lip. Flashes of teeth are visible.

00:35

Mouth opening and closing silently

01:00

Mouth begins attempting to form a 'F' shape

01:12

Mouth opens silently to make a 'AY' sound
[gentle clicks and breath from mouth]

01:44

Mouth purses into puckers shape that opens and closes as if
waning a 'W' noise

02:02

Tongue pushes forward to the back of the teeth and pulls back to
make a sharp clicking noise

02:10

Mouth goes through the same process again, moving mouth to slow
sound out 'ward', emphasising the 'd' sound at the end.

02:45

Mouth slowly combines 'fraid' and 'ward'

03:13

Mouth forms the shape to pronounce the letter 'f', pushing air
through the teeth: "Ffffffffff..."

03:34

Almost running out of air the mouth whispers: "Fffffffraid.."

03:40

Mouth tries again: "Ffffffffff..."

03:50:

"Fffrrrraid"

04:00:

Mouth tries again: "Fffrrrrrrraaaaa... d, fffraaaaaaiiidd"

04:30:

“Wwwwwwwwwaaaaaarrrrrr...”

04:49:

“W-w-w-w...wwwaaard...”

04:40:

“W-w-wwwwwww...wward”

05:30:

“Fffffrrraaaaaiiiid...www..”

05:43:

“Fffffrrraaaaaaaaidwwwwwwwwaaard”

06:03:

Licks lips, purses lips, swallows.

06:10:

Breaths in, readying to try again: “Fffraaiddw-w-w..”

“F-f-fraaid..wward”

06:40:

“Fra... fra...fra...fra...”

06:51:

“Frraai...fff-f-fra...fff-f-raid...”

07:15

“Fffraidwwward”

07:23:

Whispering: “Fffraii...”

07:33:

Top teeth bite on the bottom lip, holding the mouth position to begin the letter ‘f’. The sound of air being pushed quietly through teeth

07:38:

Whispering, nearly mouthing: “ffraid...waaarrrrd”

08:08:

Repeatedly mouthing silently: “fraidward”

08:20:

Swallowing, opening mouth and whispering:

“frraaaid...waaaaard...aiiddwaaard”, “Fraaiid..wwwarrd”

09:00:

Mouth relaxing, twitching slightly, opening and closing