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#### 1 Introduction

One of the key and well-known features of languages is that they are constantly evolving and changing. Due to this fact, phraseology was able to develop quickly and has continued to do so after its beginnings in the previous century. Attributing to this was the foundation of the European Society of Phraseology (EUROPHRAS) in 1999, after which there was a rapid growth of interest in phraseology due to many conferences which were organised and held pertaining to the field. This enabled many publications relating to phraseology to exist and be available today (Naciscione 7). Sabine Fiedler, one of the scholars whose main field of interest is phraseology, argues that phraseology is "one of the most fascinating and ... most difficult aspects of language" (7).

With its main focus being phraseological units (PUs), which will be discussed in greater detail in the course of this paper, they appear to be quite a challenge for linguists. PUs are characterised by their unpredictable and idiomatic meanings and are frequently used in both written and spoken communication. As such, they pose a challenge to both English teachers as well as students, as they often must be learnt and memorized by heart. They are also highly culturally dependent, meaning that they vary and differ from one language-speaking society to another.

As the focus of this paper is a musical called *Hamilton*, few words have to be said about it. When thinking of a typical musical, one would unlikely mention hip-hop as one of its distinctive features. That is why '*Hamilton*', written and composed by Lin-Manuel Miranda, is a rarity among theatrical works. As it belongs to the hip-hop and R'n'B genre, including the fact that it is a musical, therefore providing much of the conversational forms in written lyrics, it can be hypothesised that there will be quite a number of phraseological units. This is also evident even if one would simply skim through the lyrics. The lyrics of all songs are available

in the book written by Miranda and Jeremy McCarter called *Hamilton: The Revolution*. There are altogether 46 songs in the musical, and they are divided into two acts. For the purpose of this paper, the first 23 songs, which are part of Act I, will be analysed for the content of PUs. The first act was chosen arbitrarily, for no particular reason, only for the fact that choosing both acts would be too exhaustive work for this paper. Nonetheless, these songs still hold a large number of PUs to be extracted and categorised according to Sabine Fiedler's classification described below.

#### 2 Phraseology and phraseological units

Since the interest in phraseology has grown rapidly in the last three decades, so has the shift in its meaning occurred as well. Phraseology was viewed mostly as a linguistic discipline that dealt with researching and classifying idioms and other mainly fixed idiomatic expressions. The situation today is different as phraseology is considered to be more exhaustive. Its main focus of study are indeed idioms, phrases, also known as phrasemes, phraseological units, or multi-word expressions. But the research of said units has a greater effect on not only other linguistic disciplines but the whole process of language learning as well. This includes language learning, acquisition, language processing and language teaching (Granger and Meunier 3). As fixed expressions exist in most languages, the phrases which denote the same meaning are not the same in most cases. This is due to the fact that languages are rich with dialects, slang and culturally determined expressions. Therefore, proverbs and idioms will depend on specific traditions, habits and images of a culture of a given language. That is why a person from an English-speaking community will say "to sleep like a log", but a German will say "to sleep like a stone", and someone from Netherland will "sleep like a rose" (Granger and Meunier 191, 193).

#### 2.1 Phraseological units

It has been said that phraseology deals with multi-word expressions, phraseological units, or PUs, as they will be referred to onwards. The term phraseological unit is an umbrella term that covers many multi-word units. Before, this was referred to as *idioms*, but more recently, PU has been used more often as it covers more than just idiomatic units. There are several characteristics of PUs according to Sabine Fiedler's book *English Phraseology: A Coursebook* which will now be presented.

The first characteristic of a phraseological unit is that it is polylexemic in structure, that is, it consists of two or more independent lexemes or words. This can vary from PU being a word group or a whole sentence. Egg on and the early bird catches the worm are both considered to be PUs. Secondly, PUs are relatively stable in semantic and syntactic structures. This means that very rarely will they change their meaning, although it is possible for it to happen over a long period of time. That means that the PU will remain to be as the early bird catches the worm, and not change to, for example, \*the early lady catches the train. But PUs can vary within certain constraints – they can vary in function words or spelling. That is why it can be said both the early bird catches/gets the worm. The third characteristic is lexicalization. This means that phraseological units remain in the memory of a language speaking community: "[a]s a fixed and ready-made unit, a PU is recognized and accepted as a part of the language" (Fiedler 21). They are memorized as a whole and cannot be invented but only reproduced. This adds to the fact a person does not even need to know the whole PU to know what is intended, sometimes only a constituent is enough. For example, most people would know the rest of the proverb if someone just said the early bird. A fourth feature is idiomaticity. This feature denotes the fact that the meaning of a PU cannot be deduced from the meaning of the individual constituents of said PU. For example, a person may know the meanings of words speak and volume, but if someone would use speak volumes as an idiomatic expression in a sentence, one would hardly know the meaning of it by deducing the meaning of individual words. Normally, the degree to which PUs are transparent (that is, the degree to which their meaning can be deduced) varies, and even though some PUs may be completely transparent and easily "decoded", they still stay characterized as PUs due to the fact that they fit into previously mentioned categories. The fifth property of PUs is related to connotations. PUs are often used to effectively convey a thought or intention, to attract attention, organize texts, or illustrate a fact. Basically, they are used by the speakers to express themselves more easily. The connotations can be either stylistic or expressive, the first ones being formal and informal, and the latter ones providing some additional information about the speaker. The sixth feature of the PUs relates to transformational deficiencies. This means that PUs are hardly ever subject to syntactic transformations. As an example, the early bird catches the worm resists transformations such as topicalization (\*It was the worm that the bird caught) or passivization (\*The worm was caught by the bird). Alas, the degree to which PUs can be subject to such transformations varies, as was the case with the idiomaticity. Fiedler mentioned that this is only a complementary feature of PUs, not a definite one. Lastly, PUs are liable to some other anomalies. One of them is that they can be ungrammatical, and the other is that they can be made of fossilized constituents, that is, lexemes are archaic and no longer used (Fiedler 17-28).

#### 2.1.1 Classification of PUs

There are three classes into which PUs are divided – conventional and special types of PUs, and PUs with special elements. Conventional types are further divided into subtypes, them being:

- a) Phraseological nominations which substitute words, have a nominative function and can be classified as word classes (nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs).
- b) Irreversible binomials are sequences of two and/or more words that appear in a fixed order, share their grammatical properties, and are connected by either a preposition or a conjunction.
- c) Stereotyped comparisons (also referred to as frozen similes) have a fixed structure and can be either adjectival or verbal.
- d) Proverbs are well-known, fixed sentences that the members of a speaking community utilize. They are usually easy to remember, passed from one generation to another, and covey a general truth, offer a piece of advice or share an experience. They are culturally

- and contextually determined. Stylistic features such as rhyme, alliteration, assonance and repetition add to the fact that they are easily remembered.
- e) Winged words are expressions that can be traced to some sort of source either historical text or a specific author. Catchphrases, slogans, and sententious remarks all fall under this category.
- f) Routine formulae (or pragmatic idioms) are ready-made units that the speakers use in certain situations (Fiedler 39-50).

Special types of PUs encompass paraphrasal verbs, restricted collocations, rhyming slang and wellerisms. Paraphrasal verbs are quite productive and consist of a transitive verb and a noun phrase that carries the meaning. They are referred to as paraphrasal as they "paraphrase" the meaning of a verb. Restricted collocations are words that commonly appear together and one of those words is used in a metaphorical sense. Rhyming slang is a special characteristic of the English language. It refers to the pattern of two words that replace the intended word with which they rhyme. Lastly, wellerisms are expressions that employ other PUs in order to parody them and to oversimplify the truth that the original PUs convey. Hence, the key feature of wellerisms is (black) humour (Fiedler 51-54).

One more category of phraseological units remains, and it is reserved for the PUs with special elements, which will briefly be mentioned as it is quite obvious to what they refer. PUs with special elements refer to PUs with *colour terms* (they are highly culturally determined), PUs with *body parts* (also known as kinegrams), and PUs that contain proper names (Fiedler 55-59).

#### 3 About the musical

Lin-Manuel Miranda is the man behind a now well-renowned and famous musical 'Hamilton', a musical about the life of Alexander Hamilton, one of the founding fathers of

America. Miranda, at the time when he got the idea of commemorating Hamilton, was already known for producing and starring in a musical called 'In the Heights' (2008) which was later made into a film that premiered in 2021. Lin, after reading a biography of Alexander Hamilton, got the idea that he would like to write several songs about Hamilton in, no more or less, hiphop and rap style of music. This is why his original idea was to write a hip-hop album dedicated to Hamilton's life. Later, when he had found the producer who would work with him, the producer took lead and decided that it would be better if the album were to be made into a musical. The first song of the musical was performed in the White House during Barack Obama's presidency in 2009. Miranda announced the album, and the song he was about to perform as follows: "I'm actually working on a hip-hop album – a concept album – about the life of someone who embodies hip-hop, Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton" (Miranda and McCarter 15). An unlikely thing to say about a founding father, but he further explained that Hamilton's story, born an orphan, never formally accepted by his father, rose to become George Washington's right-hand man and one of the founding fathers, all through his writing, is an exceptional one. He concludes by saying that "he embodies the world's ability to make a difference" ("Lin-Manuel Performs at The White House Poetry Jam: (8 of 8)" 0:42-0:43). This briefly explains why he chose Hamilton.

Finally, the musical premiered in 2015 on Broadway after seven years of work. It was an instant hit, seemingly unlikely so, as it told a story of a fairly anonymous founding father (Miranda and McCarter 10-15). But, sixteen Tony Awards nominations, of which eleven were won, eight Drama Desk Awards, a Grammy, and a Pulitzer shows how the musical exceeded all expectations and was an instant hit. Hamilton is once again writing history, this time, slightly different, but equally riveting (Hogeland 1).

The musical main themes were taken from the book *Alexander Hamilton* written by Ron Chernow in 2005 (Hogeland 3). The musical tells the story through two acts. The first act describes Hamilton's childhood as an orphan, his arrival at college in New York and his position in the American revolution. Furthermore, Alexander marries Eliza, who later bears a child and begs Hamilton to retreat to their home to enjoy family life. Hamilton agrees but is unhappy as he is determined to play a part in the revolution. In the second act, the revolution has ended and follows Hamilton as Washington's right-hand man. His position as a prominent and influential politician disagrees with Aaron Burr, who was also a politician involved in matters of war. Hamilton also begins an affair with a married woman, which leaves him susceptible to blackmail. In the meantime, George Washington steps down from his role as a president, and consequently, Hamilton's influence starts to diminish. His career, and marriage as well, are further destroyed as his extramarital affair is made public. The animosity between Burr and Hamilton grows, especially after Hamilton's son was killed in a duel, and after Hamilton supported Jefferson's presidency. The animosity results in a duel, in which Burr kills Hamilton, which he later regrets as Burr will only remain remembered as a man who shot Alexander Hamilton. The musical ends with some of the characters saying that Hamilton will not be forgotten, and his legacy will continue to remain.

#### 4 PUs in the musical Hamilton

It was already mentioned that phraseology and culture are closely connected. And music is part of a culture. Rap music, according to the online Cambridge Dictionary, is a type of music "of African-American origin that features rhythmic speaking set to a strong beat". Mainstream rap often includes profanities, allusions to, or sometimes directly referencing, substance abuse, objectification of women and sexual allusions. Hamilton was different in this way, as it utilized "clean" rap, stripped of the culturally determined features of the genre (Kajikawa 469). Due to

the specific nature of the genre, an abundance of PUs can be extracted from the lyrics, especially historical musical *Hamilton*. In the following pages, PUs from all of the songs of Act I will be extracted and classified according to the abovementioned classification.

#### 4.1 Methodology, Corpus, and Reference

#### 4.1.1 Methodology

In an attempt to extract and categorise the PUs from the corpus, a descriptive approach to the linguistic methodology will be used. All of the possible PUs will be extracted from the corpus so that their lexicalisation can be confirmed by either one or more of the lexicographic sources. Furthermore, the PUs will then be categorised into groups according to the classification that Fiedler presented in the book *English Phraseology: A Coursebook*.

#### 4.1.2 The Corpus

All the phraseological units will be extracted from all the songs of Act I of the musical. The source of the corpus is provided by Miranda and McCarter's book called *Hamilton: The Revolution*. The lyrics of the songs from Act I are presented at the end of the paper. Seemingly convenient may be the lyrics found online, but since they are often transcribed as one hears the lyrics, errors in transcription can be detected. That is the reason for consulting the lyrics provided by the book and can be seen in the Appendix section of this paper.

There are 23 songs altogether, and all of them were written by Lin-Manuel Miranda. The names of the songs are as follows: Alexander Hamilton, Aaron Burr, Sir, My Shot, The Story of Tonight, The Schuyler Sisters, Farmer Refuted, You'll Be Back, Right Hand Man, A Winter's Ball, Helpless, Satisfied, The Story of Tonight (Reprise), Wait For It, Stay Alive, Ten Duel Commandments, Meet Me Inside, That Would Be Enough, Guns and Ships, History Has Its Eyes On You, Yorktown (The World Turned Upside Down), What Comes Next?, Dear Theodosia, Non-Stop. There is one more song that is not included in the cast album but is a part

of the *Hamilton* film – *Tomorrow There'll Be More of Us*. Since this song is not a part of the Broadway performance and is quite short and free of PUs, it will not be a part of this paper as well.

As mentioned previously, the musical was selected due to its unique style in which was written, characterised by R'n'B and hip-hop, which proved to be a great source of PUs. The songs are a part of Act I of the musical, and only one act was chosen since hip-hop songs are more often than not lengthy and analysing both acts would be too demanding for a paper of this kind.

#### 4.1.2.1 Summary of the songs

As the phraseological units in the musical are bound to the historical context, a short description of each song will be presented to provide the general idea of a specific song. Alexander Hamilton is an opening song that presents the man about whom the musical is written. It tells the story of his childhood years up to early adulthood. Aaron Burr, Sir introduces Aaron Burr as well as some other characters and informs about Burr's and Hamilton's intentions. My Shot speaks about the company's dreams and ideas about the future. The Story of Tonight describes the young revolutionaries which are enmeshed in revolution and declare their service to it. The Schuyler Sisters introduces the three sisters and presents their thoughts about the newly started revolution, as well as Burr's attempt to seduce one of the sisters but ends up being rejected instead. Farmer Refuted talks about Hamilton's argument with Bishop Seabury who opposes the idea of revolution. You'll Be Back is sung by King George III who deems the idea of revolution to be silly and says that once it fails, the colonies will come back to the British Empire once again. Right Hand Man tells the story of how Hamilton rose to the position of Washington's right-hand man over Burr. A Winter's Ball discusses an event with the Schuyler sisters being at the centre of attention. Helpless talks about Eliza Schuyler and Hamilton's relationship and wedding which will follow. Satisfied tells the story of Angelica Schuyler – her wedding toast to Eliza and Alexander, and her realization that she is in love with her sister's husband. The Story of Tonight (Reprise), Burr and Hamilton discuss Burr's affair with a wife of a British officer. Wait for It focuses on Burr and his envy of Hamilton. Burr concludes that his time will come, and he needs only to be patient. Stay Alive brings details about the war and war tactics. Ten Duel Commandments focuses on a duel that is happening between John Laurens and Charles Lee, the rules of the duel that were enforced at the time and ends with Lee being wounded by Laurens' shot. Meet Me Inside is a song of Washington's reaction to the duel after which Hamilton is ordered to return home. That Would Be Enough reveals that Eliza is pregnant and is carrying a boy. Guns and Ships informs that Washington was urged to call Hamilton back to war and put him in command. History Has Its Eyes On You describes Washington's failed attempts and bad decisions as well as Washington warning Hamilton that the same burden is now on his shoulders. Yorktown tells the story of the Battle of Yorktown. What Comes Next brings back King George III who addresses the colonist on what they will do now that they are free from the Brits, since the future is uncertain. Dear Theodosia is a song sung by Hamilton and Burr who have both become fathers and swear to make the world a better place for their children. Non-Stop tells the story of Hamilton's achievements (Hamilton Wiki).

#### 4.1.3 Reference

As a reference, a number of online dictionaries were used, solely due to the fact that they are easily accessible and available. As previously mentioned, languages are dynamic and susceptible to change. That is also why Internet sources were consulted – because they are regularly updated, as opposed to already published dictionaries that have several editions but are not as prompt and frequent in updating. Once the idiomatic phrase was detected in the source text, the dictionaries were used to confirm the idiomatic nature of a phrase, as well as to provide the meaning of the said phrase. The dictionaries in question are: The Free Dictionary, Collins

Dictionary, Merriam-Webster Dictionary, Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English, Macmillan Dictionary, Cambridge Dictionary, Dictionary of American Idioms, Farlex Dictionary of Idioms, Urban Dictionary, Quora, HiNative, Phrasemix, Idioms and Slang, Online Slang Dictionary.

Some of the sources used are more informal in nature, but due to the lack of reference in the above-mentioned examples, they needed to be consulted. The sources such as Urban Dictionary, Quora, HiNative, and similar websites, even though they are informal in nature, they proved to be a valuable source in providing an explanation for several PUs, which have not been recognized in any of the more formal dictionaries.

#### 5 Classification of PUs

The classification will be presented in the form of tables, with each one being ascribed to a specific type of phraseological unit. The tables will provide the said PU, the citation form of a specific PU, its reference in either dictionary or other source, and the definition. Since there some of the PUs carry several different meanings, in order to ensure a clearer overview, only the meaning which corresponds to the context of the lyrics will be provided. Also, as some alterations have been made to the PUs in the lyrics, in the second to last column, the exact entry without modification will be noted, which slightly differs from the lyrics, even though the meaning remained the same. The reason for such changes is presumably mostly due to the styles of the songs – to enable more fluent rhythm, rhyme, or for them to simply fit the style of the narrative. The exact underwent changes will further not be discussed in more detail.

#### 5.1 List of phraseological nominations

Table 1 List of phraseological nominations

Ph	raseological	Citation	form	Reference	Definition
uni	it	of a PU			

1	a house and a	a have and a	a contlamon and a cabalan	"Company who is
1	a hero and a scholar	a hero and a scholar	a gentleman and a scholar  – The Free Dictionary	"Someone who is admirable or of high esteem. Although used sincerely as a compliment, it is generally bombastic and lighthearted in nature."
2	founding father	a founding father	founding father – The Free Dictionary	"Someone who was instrumental in the beginning or creation of something. Capitalized when used to refer to a member of the US Constitutional Convention."
3	got a lot farther	to go far	go far – The Free Dictionary	"To achieve much success."
4	in charge of	to be in charge of something	in charge of – Dictionary of American Idioms	"Responsible for; having supervision or care of."
5	ready to beg, steal, borrow or barter	to beg, borrow, or steal	beg, borrow, or steal – The Free Dictionary	"To acquire or accomplish something by any means necessary or available."
6	future drip, dripping down the drain	to go down the drain	go down the drain – Collins	"To go out of existence; disappear."
7	full of it	to be full of something	full of it – The Free Dictionary	"What someone is said to be if they are unreliable or ridiculous (usually due to making unfounded or nonsensical statements)."
8	new man	a new man	new man – Dictionary of American Idioms	"A person who has become very much better."
9	we are waiting in the wings for you	to be waiting in the wings	be waiting in the wings – The Free Dictionary	"To be ready and available to help or replace someone. Actors traditionally wait in the wings of the theater before stepping on stage."

10	in the weeds	in the weeds	in the weeds – Cambridge English Dictionary	"With so many problems or so much work that you are finding it difficult to deal with something."
11	out of sorts	to be out of sorts	out of sorts – Dictionary of American Idioms	"In an angry or unhappy mood; in a bad temper."
12	dying wish	a dying wish	dying wish – The Free Dictionary	"A final wish, desire, or request made shortly before one dies."
13	take your time	to take one's time	take (one's) time – The Free Dictionary	"To go at one's own preferred pace; to use as much time as one needs or desires."
14	what you're against or what you're for	to be against someone or something; to be for someone or something	against someone or something; for someone or something - The Free Dictionary	"To be opposed to someone or something."  "In favour of someone or something."
15	make y'all proud	to make someone proud	make someone proud – Merriam-Webster	"Do something good that makes people you are connected with feel proud."
16	show time	a show time	show time – The Free Dictionary	"The time at which an activity is to begin."
17	in the place to be	the place to be	the place to be – The Free Dictionary	"A hip, popular spot, such as a club, restaurant, or neighbourhood; an ideal place for something in particular."
18	don't want it with me	one does not want it	You don't want it – Urban Dictionary	"Universal meaning for "come at me bro" or "bring it on". It is meant to fire up the directed person."
19	up in it	to be up in something	be well up in/on something – Longman	"To know a lot about something."

20	run their mouths off	to run one's mouth	run (one's) mouth – The Free Dictionary	"To talk profusely, especially in an antagonising way."
21	stall for	to stall for something	stall for (something) – The Free Dictionary	"To create a delay or distraction for a length of time in order to achieve, obtain, or accomplish something."
22	a diamond in the rough	a diamond in the rough	diamond in the rough – Dictionary of American Idioms	"A very smart person without a formal education who may have untutored manners."
23	fan this spark into a flame	to fan the flames	to fan the flames – The Free Dictionary	"To exacerbate an already inflammable situation, or to revive a flagging situation."
24	in loco parentis	in loco parentis	in loco parentis – The Free Dictionary	"Responsible for a child's wellbeing while his or her parents are absent."
25	lower your voices	to lower one's voice	lower (one's) voice – The Free Dictionary	"To speak in a hushed tone or at a lower volume."
26	lay down my life	to lay down one's life	lay down (one's) life – The Free Dictionary	"To sacrifice one's life (for someone or something)."
27	shoot off at the mouth	to shoot off at the mouth	shoot off at the mouth – Merriam-Webster	"To talk foolishly, carelessly, or too much about something."
28	shout it to the rooftops	to shout from the rooftops	shout from the rooftops – Collins Dictionary	"To proclaim (something) publicly."
29	see it comin'	to see something coming	see (something) coming – The Free Dictionary	"To foresee, predict, or prepare for something well in advance of it actually arriving or happening."
30	let it be	to let someone or something be	let (someone or something) be – Merriam- Webster	"To not bother or touch (someone or something)."

31	livin' fast	to live fast	to live a fast life – Urban Dictionary	"To be reckless. To be spontaneous to the point of never thinking anything through to the end before doing it."
32	scratch that	to scratch something	scratch that – The Free Dictionary	"A set phrase telling someone to ignore, forget, or disregard what was just said or instructed."
33	blood we shed	to shed blood	shed (someone's) blood – The Free Dictionary	"To wound someone or take someone's life, especially with violence."
34	laughin' in the face	to laugh in someone's face	laugh in (one's) face – The Free Dictionary	"To show displeasure or ridicule at something one has said by laughing directly into one's face."
35	it's bad enough (to be bad enough)	to be bad enough	it's bad enough – Longman	"Used to say that you already have one problem, so that you do not want to worry about or deal with another one."
36	in the air	in the air	in the air – Cambridge English Dictionary	"It is happening or about to happen."
37	I'm a trust fund baby	a trust fund baby	trust fund baby – The Free Dictionary	"A person who receives income from a trust fund."
38	have not your interests at heart	to have one's interests at heart	have (one's) (best) interests at heart	"To be primarily concerned with what would benefit one."
39	playing a dangerous game	to play games	play games (with somebody) – Longman	"To behave in a dishonest or unfair way in order to get what you want."
40	a straight face	a straight face	straight face – Merriam- Webster	"A face giving no evidence of emotion and especially of merriment."
41	when push comes to shove	when push comes to shove	when push comes to shove – The Free Dictionary	"When things get a little pressed; when the situation gets more active or intense."

42	till my dying days	until one's dying day	till my dying day – The Free Dictionary	"For as long as you live."
43	I'll go mad	to go mad	go mad – Merriam- Webster	"To become mentally ill; to act wildly."
44	let down my guard	to let down one's guard	let down one's guard – Merriam-Webster	"To relax and stop being careful and alert."
45	put me up on a pedestal	to put someone on a pedestal	put/place (someone) on a pedestal – Merriam- Webster	"To think of someone as a perfect person with no faults."
46	but the elephant is in the room	elephant in the room	elephant in the room – The Free Dictionary	"An obvious truth or fact, especially one regarded as embarrassing or undesirable, that is being unintentionally ignored or left unaddressed."
47	abandon ship	to abandon ship	abandon ship – The Free Dictionary	"To leave a failing enterprise."
48	in the face of this	in the face of something	in the face of something – The Free Dictionary	"When threatened by or confronted with."
49	as you were	as you were	as you were – Collins	"A military command to withdraw an order, return to the previous position, etc."
50	a powder keg	a powder keg	a powder keg – The Free Dictionary	"A situation that could quickly become very volatile and dangerous."
51	lighten the load	to lighten the load	lighten the load – The Free Dictionary	"To help make something less difficult, upsetting, or overwhelming for one."
52	let some things slide	to let something slide	let (something) slide – Merriam-Webster	"To do nothing about it (something, such as another person's mistake or bad behaviour)."
53	the element of surprise	an element of surprise	element of surprise – Merriam-Webster	"The unexpected or surprising character of something."
54	rise above my station	above one's station	above your station – Macmillan	"Higher than is suitable for your position or rank."

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55	rise to the occasion	to rise to the occasion	rise to the occasion – The Free Dictionary	"To increase one's effort in response to a challenging situation."
56	sky's the limit	the sky is the limit	the sky is the limit – Farlex Dictionary of Idioms	"There is no limit or end to something, especially to somebody's success or progress."
57	down for the count	to be down for the count	down for the count – The Free Dictionary	"If someone or something is down for the count, they are failing."
58	drownin' in 'em	to drown in something	drown in something – Cambridge English Dictionary	"To have more of something than you are able to deal with."
59	grab the spotlight	to grab the spotlight	steal the spotlight – The Free Dictionary	"To garner attention or praise at the expense of someone or something else."
60	catch your eye	to catch one's eye	catch (one's) eye – The Free Dictionary	"To attract one's attention, often by making eye contact."
61	I'm so into you	to be into someone	be into someone – The Free Dictionary	"To be romantically interested in someone."
62	I'm dying inside	to die inside	to die inside – HiNative	"An informal expression, it is purely for emphasis. It is used whenever you have a strong emotion."
63	we're through	to be through with somebody or something	be through (with somebody/something) – Longman	"To no longer be having a relationship with someone."
64	I don't have a dollar to my name	to not have a cent to one's name	not have a cent to your name – The Free Dictionary	"If someone doesn't have a penny to their name or doesn't have a cent to their name, they are poor."
65	by your side	by one's side	at/by someone's side – Macmillan	"Supporting someone or remaining loyal to them."

66	tripping over themselves to win our praise	to fall over oneself	fall over (oneself) – The Free Dictionary	"To expend an inordinate amount of energy or effort to do something, especially as a means of gaining attention or approval."
67	set my heart aflame	to set something on fire	set something on fire – The Free Dictionary	"Make somebody/something very interested or excited."
68	this is not a game	something is not a game	it's not a game – Urban Dictionary	"Used to convey to a friend that something is serious."
69	to match wits with someone	to match wits with someone	match wits (with one) – The Free Dictionary	"To engage one in a clash or competition of intelligence or shrewd resourcefulness."
70	what the hell is the catch	what is the catch	what's the catch? – The Free Dictionary	"What's the problem, drawback, detriment, or risk that I'm not privy to or able to see?"
71	peach fuzz	a peach fuzz	peach fuzz – Merriam- Webster	"Fine, light hair and especially such hair growing on the face of a male adolescent."
72	social climb	a social climber	social climber – Merriam- Webster	"One who attempts to gain a higher social position or acceptance in fashionable society."
73	what are you waiting for?	what is one waiting for	what are you waiting for?  – The Free Dictionary	"Used to tell somebody to do something now rather than later."
74	I'll leave you to it	to leave someone to something	leave (someone) to it — The Free Dictionary	"To allow someone to do something without one's involvement or interference; to withdraw from someone so they can do or finish something alone."

75	on the side	on the side	on the side – The Free Dictionary	"As or with a partner outside of one's main relationship, typically outside of one's marriage."
76	keeping the bed warm	to warm the bed	warm the bed – Urban Dictionary	"A phrase used to denote 'to have sex'."
77	keep the colonies in line	to keep one in line	keep (one) in line – The Free Dictionary	"To ensure that one acts or behaves in the correct or desired manner."
78	we rise and we fall	to rise and fall	rise and fall – Merriam- Webster	The vertical up and down movement of the tide resulting from but not necessarily coincident with its flow and ebb.
79	running late	to run late	run late – Merriam- Webster	"To arrive and/or leave later than the time that is expected."
80	lying in wait	to lie in wait	lie in wait – Merriam- Webster	"To hide and wait for the right moment to make an attack."
81	uphill climb	an uphill climb	an uphill climb – Idioms and Slang	"A difficult process."
82	has nothing to lose	to have nothing to lose	have nothing to lose – Longman	"If you have nothing to lose, it is worth taking a risk because you cannot make your situation any worse."
83	wastes no time	to waste no time	to waste no time – Collins	"If you waste no time in doing something, you take the opportunity to do it immediately or faster."
84	what is it like in his shoes	to be in someone's shoes	be in (someone's) shoes – The Free Dictionary	"To share a particular experience or circumstance with someone else."
85	changes the game	to change the game	change the game – The Free Dictionary	"To impact or transform in a drastic or dramatic way how something

				typically functions or is done."
86	raises the stakes	to raise the stakes	raise the stakes – The Free Dictionary	"To increase the level of risk and/or potential reward in a particular situation. "Stakes" refers to one's level of involvement."
87	take flight	to take flight	take flight – The Free Dictionary	"To flee or run away (from someone or something)."
88	horror show	a horror show	horror show – The Free Dictionary	"Something provoking great dismay or disgust."
89	fly a lot of flags	to fly the flag	fly the flag – Longman	"To behave in a way that shows that you are proud of your country, organization, etc."
90	choose our battles	to choose one's battles	choose (one') battles (wisely) – The Free Dictionary	"To actively choose not to participate in minor, unimportant, or overly difficult arguments, contests, or confrontation, saving one's strength instead for those that will be of greater importance or in which one has a greater chance of success."
91	out of hand	out of hand	out of hand – The Free Dictionary	"Without due discussion or consideration."
92	shits the bed	to shit the bed	shit the bed – The Free Dictionary	"To fail spectacularly or to a great degree."
93	get back on your feet	to be back on one's feet	back on your feet – Macmillan	"Well or successful again after being ill or having problems."
94	not your speed	one's speed	(one's) speed – The Free Dictionary	"In line with one's own personal preferences, inclinations, or character."

95	the jaws of defeat	the jaws of something	the jaws of (something) – The Free Dictionary	"Used to describe an unpleasant situation that almost happens."
96	without a pot to piss in	to not have a pot to piss in	not have a pot to piss in – Merriam-Webster	"To have no money or possessions."
97	be left alone to his devices	to leave one to one's own devices	leave someone to his or her own devices – Merriam-Webster	"To allow (someone) to do what he or she wants or is able to do without being controlled or helped by anyone else."
98	hold him to it	to hold someone to something	hold someone to something – The Free Dictionary	"To make someone adhere to an agreement."
99	set the record straight	to set the record straight	set the record straight – The Free Dictionary	"To make the true facts or something clear, especially when they have been previously mistaken, misunderstood, or misrepresented."
100	look 'em in the eye	to look someone in the eye	look someone in the eye (or face) – The Free Dictionary	"Look directly at someone without showing embarrassment, fear, or shame."
101	by all means	by all means	by all means – The Free Dictionary	"Certainly; absolutely."
102	maid of honor	a maid of honor	maid of honor – The Free Dictionary	"A woman serving as the principal bridesmaid leading up to and during a wedding."
103	clear the field	to clear the field	leave the field clear for (one) – The Free Dictionary	"To give one a clear or easier path to victory or success by no longer participating in a competition of some kind."
104	called his bluff	to call one's bluff	call someone's bluff – Merriam-Webster	"To challenge someone's statement or threat because it is not believed."

105	watch your tone	to watch one's tone	watch your tone – HiNative	"Means 'be careful what you say' or 'be more polite'."
106	take your name and rake it through the mud	to drag one's name through the mud	drag someone's name through the mud – Merriam-Webster	"To publicly say false or bad things that harm someone's reputation."
107	been through a lot	to go through a lot	went through a lot – Quora	"A person has had a number of difficult experiences."
108	peace of mind	peace of mind	peace of mind – The Free Dictionary	"A calm, untroubled emotional state."
109	has its eyes on you	to have one's eye on someone or something	have (got) an/(one's) eye on (someone or something) – The Free Dictionary	"To watch or look at someone or something closely; to monitor someone or something continuously."
110	no sweat	no sweat	no sweat – The Free Dictionary	"Not something difficult to handle or deal with; not a problem or difficulty."
111	we've had quite a run	to have a good run	have a good run – The Free Dictionary	"To experience joy or success, but only for a limited period of time."
112	see you on the other side	to see someone on the other side	see you on the other side – Quora	"It means you hope to see someone after death – in the next life."
113	the world turns upside down	upside down	upside down – Merriam- Webster	"In or into great disorder."
114	seize the moment	to seize the moment	seize the moment – The Free Dictionary	"To take full advantage of life's opportunities whenever and wherever they present themselves; to live life to one's full potential."
115	the business end of a bayonet	the business end of something	the business end of – Longman	"The end of a tool or weapon that does the work or causes the damage."

116	scattered to the winds	to scatter to the four winds	be scattered to the four winds – The Free Dictionary	"To be dispersed across a wide area."
117	in the shit	in the shit	in the shit – Merriam- Webster	"In a lot of trouble."
118	waves a white handkerchief	to wave a white flag	wave a/the white flag – The Free Dictionary	"To offer a sign of surrender or defeat; to yield or give in."
119	I'm so blue	to be blue	feel blue – The Free Dictionary	"To feel sad, somber, or glum."
120	on your own	on one's own	on (one's) own – The Free Dictionary	"By or through one's individual efforts or means."
121	don't come crawling back to me	to come crawling back to	come/go crawling to – Merriam-Webster	"To go to (someone) for help or approval in a way that shows one is weak or sorry for what one has done."
122	broke my heart	to break one's heart	break (one's) heart – The Free Dictionary	"To cause one to feel great sadness."
123	come of age	to come of age	come of age – The Free Dictionary	"To reach adulthood."
124	rise to the top	to rise to the top	rise to the top – The Free Dictionary	"To reach the most prominent position in some group, organization, company, etc."
125	beyond a shadow of a doubt	without a shadow of a doubt	beyond/without a shadow of a doubt – Macmillan	"Used for saying that you are completely certain of something."
126	running out of time	to run out of time	run out of time – Merriam-Webster	"To have no more time to do or complete something."
127	an old song	an old song	old song – The Free Dictionary	"A trifle; nothing of value."
128	throwing verbal rocks	to throw stones	throw stones – The Free Dictionary	"To hurl insults or criticisms (at someone or something)."

129	going out of style	to go out of style	go out of style – The Free Dictionary	"To no longer be trendy or fashionable."
130	keep my plans close to my chest	to keep something close to one's chest	keep (something) close to (one's) chest – The Free Dictionary	"To keep one's plans, intentions, or tactics secret from everyone else."
131	which way the wind will blow	which way the wind blows	which way the wind blows – The Free Dictionary	"What appears probable or likely; how a certain course or situation is likely to develop."
132	turn of phrase	a turn of phrase	turn of phrase – The Free Dictionary	"An eloquent style of writing or speaking."
133	on their staff	on the staff	on (the) staff – Merriam- Webster	"Working as a member of the group of people employed by an organization or business."

#### 5.1.1 Classification of phraseological nominations into subcategories

As it was stated above, phraseological nominations are considered to be conventional types of PUs and they serve as word classes in sentences. Therefore, the PUs from Act I which fall into the category of phraseological nominations will further be sorted into verbs, nouns, adjectives, and adverbs.

Out of 133 phraseological nominations, 81 fall into verb category, and they are as follows: to go far; to be in charge of something; to beg, borrow, or steal; to go down the drain; to be waiting in the wings; to take one's time; to be against someone or something; to be for someone or something; to make someone proud; to run one's mouth; to stall for something; to fan the flames; to lower one's voice; to lay down one's life; to keep out of trouble; to shoot off at the mouth; to shout from the rooftops; to see something coming; to let someone or something be; to live fast; to scratch something; to shed blood; to laugh in someone's face; to have one's interests at heart; to play games; to go mad; to let down one's

guard; to put someone on a pedestal; to abandon ship; as you were; to lighten the load; to let something slide; to rise to the occasion; to be down for the count; to drown in something; to grab the spotlight; to catch one's eye; to die inside; to not have a cent to one's name; to fall over oneself; to set something on fire; to match wits with someone; what is one waiting for; to leave someone to something; to warm the bed; to keep one in line; to rise and we fall; to run late; to lie in wait; to have nothing to lose; to waste no time; to change the game; to raise the stakes; to fly the flag; to choose one's battles; to shit the bed; to be back on one's feet; to leave one to one's own devices; to hold someone to something; to set the record straight; to look someone in the eye; to clear the field; to call one's bluff; to watch one's tone; to drag one's name through the mud; to go through a lot; to have one's eyes on someone or something; to have a good run; to see someone on the other side; to seize the moment; to scatter to the four winds; to wave a white flag; to come crawling back to; to break one's heart; to come of age; to rise to the top; to run out of time; to throw stones; to go out of style; to keep something close to one's chest.

Furthermore, 27 phraseological nominations that act as noun equivalents, and they are: a hero and a scholar; a founding father; a new man; a dying wish; show time; the place to be; a diamond in the rough; a trust fund baby; a straight face; elephant in the room; a powder keg; an element of surprise; the sky is the limit; something is not a game; what is the catch; a peach fuzz; a social climber; an uphill climb; a horror show; one's speed; the jaws of something; a maid of honor; peace of mind; no sweat; the business end of something; an old song; a turn of phrase.

Moreover, 10 act as adjectives, which are: to be bad enough; to be full of something; to be up in something; to be out of sorts; to not have a pot to piss in; to be in someone's

shoes; to be blue; without a shadow of a doubt; to be into someone; to be through with somebody or something.

Lastly, there are 15 instances of phraseological nominations that act as adverbs equivalents, which are: in the air; until one's dying day; when push comes to shove; in the face of something; upside down; on the staff; by one's side; above one's station; on the side; out of hand; by all means; in the shit; on one's own; which way the wind blows; in the weeds.

#### 5. 2 List of proverbs

There were only two proverbs found in the corpus and they are: to fly by the seat of one's pants and a pot calling the kettle black.

**Table 2 List of proverbs** 

	Proverb	Citation form of a	Reference	Definition
		PU		
1	he's flying by the seat of his pants	to fly by the seat of one's pants	fly by the seat of (one's) pants — The Free Dictionary	"To rely on one's instinct, as opposed to acting according to a set plan."
2	blacker than the kettle callin' the pot	a pot calling the kettle black	pot calling the kettle black – Dictionary of American Idioms	"The person who is criticizing someone else is guilty as the person he or she accuses; a charge is true of the person who makes it as of the one he or she makes it against."

There are only two instances of proverbs appearing in the first act. Both of them are well-known in the English language and are used in everyday conversation. As Fiedler mentions in her book, proverbs are highly metaphorical and their meaning cannot be deduced from the meaning of their constituents, or even when looking at the proverb as a whole. The second

proverb is modified in the sense that the word order was changed, nevertheless, the proverb can still be recognized and identified, and the meaning remains the same.

#### 5.3 List of (irreversible) binomials

(Irreversible) binomials are categorised in Table 3 and there are 7 of them: *high and dry; to wine and dine; on and on; do or die; great and small; safe and sound.* 

Table 3 List of (irreversible) binomials

	Irreversible	Citation form of a	Meaning	Reference
	binomials	PU		
1	high and dry	high and dry	high and dry – The Free Dictionary	"Safe; unbothered by difficulties; unscathed."
2	wine and dine	to wine and dine	wine and dine – The Free Dictionary	"To treat someone to an expensive meal of the type that includes fine wines; to entertain someone lavishly."
3	on and on	on and on	on and on – The Free Dictionary	"Continuously and perpetually, without stopping."
4	do or die	do or die	do or die – The Free Dictionary	"To put forth the utmost energy and effort or else fail together."
5	wonders great and small	great and small	great and small – The Free Dictionary	"Encompassing a wide variety of people or things."
6	safe and sound	safe and sound	safe and sound – The Free Dictionary	"Safe from danger and free from injury or harm."

#### 5.4 List of routine formula

Table 4 below shows 15 routine formula found in the corpus: excuse me; God damn it; at one's service; swear to God; that is what one is talking about; give it up for; raise a glass; good luck; what is one going to do; like it or not; oh my God; time will tell; nice going; from what someone hears; come again. As the songs of the musical are written to resemble the style of everyday conversations, the amount of routine formula is not surprising. As stated above, routine formula are phrases that the language puts at the speakers' disposal to use daily, such as greetings, wishes, expressing surprise, as introductions, and so forth (Fiedler 50).

**Table 4 List of routine formula** 

	Routine formulae	Citation form of a PU	Reference	Meaning
1	excuse me?	excuse me	excuse me – Merriam- Webster	"Used as a polite way of starting to say something."
2	God damnit	God damn it	goddamnit – Collins English Dictionary	"Used to express anger, perplexity, amazement, etc."
3	at your service	at one's service	at your service – Dictionary of American Idioms	"Ready to serve or help you; prepared to obey your wish or command."
4	swear to God	swear to God	swear to God – Macmillan	"Used for emphasizing strongly that you are telling the truth."
5	That's what I'm talking about	that is what one is talking about	that's what I'm talking about – Urban Dictionary	"Expression of approval or anticipation."
6	give it up for	give it up for	give it up (for somebody) – The Free Dictionary	"Show your approval of somebody by clapping your hands."

7	raise a glass	raise a glass	raise a glass – The Free Dictionary	"To wish someone happiness, success, good fortune, etc., by raising one's drink."
8	good luck with that	good luck	good luck – Merriam- Webster	"Used to say that one hopes someone will succeed; used to say that one thinks what someone is trying to do is difficult or impossible."
9	what's he gonna do	what is one going to do	what are you going to do – Cambridge Dictionary	"Used to say that there is nothing you can do to make a situation better."
10	like it or not	like it or not	like it or not – The Free Dictionary	"Used to indicate that someone has no choice in a matter."
11	oh my God	oh my God	oh my God – Merriam-Webster	"Used to indicate that something is considered surprising, shocking, thrilling, etc."
12	time will tell	time will tell	time will tell – Merriam-Webster	"Used to say that the results of a situation will be known only after a certain amount of time has passed."
13	nice going	nice going	nice going – Merriam- Webster	"Used in an ironic way to say that something someone did was stupid."
14	from what I hear	from what someone hears	from what I hear/from what I've heard – Macmillan	"Used to give information based on what people have told you rather than on what you know is true."
15	come again	come again	come again – Dictionary of American Idioms	"Please repeat; say that again."

It can be seen that some routine formula are vulgar or colloquial, such as *God dammnit*. This is an example of how the musical tries to mimic normal conversation, even though it aimed to be cleaned from the typical vulgarity that hip-hop is famous for. The majority of them belong to the social formula subtype, such as *time will tell, raise a glass, give it up for, come again,* etc.

## 5.5 List of winged words

In Table 5 below are shown 4 winged words which are: the promised land; the ten commandments; one who stands for nothing will fall for everything; and boom goes the dynamite.

**Table 5 List of winged words** 

	Winged word	Citation form of a PU	Reference	Meaning
1	promised land	the promised land	promised land – The Free Dictionary	"Any longed-for place where one expects to find greater happiness or fulfilment."
2	ten duel commandments	the ten commandments	Ten Commandments – Merriam-Webster	"The ethical commandments of God given according to biblical accounts to Moses by voice and by writing on stone tablets on Mount Sinai."
3	if you stand for nothing, Burr, what'll you fall for	one who stands for nothing will fall for everything		"One who doesn't choose a party of ideology will be subjected to all sorts of negative influences from all the parties while getting outcasted from all the parties at the same time."

Ī	4	boom goes the	boom	goes	the	boom	goes	the	"An exclamation used to
		cannon	dynami	ite		dynamit	e – The	Free	emphasize when
						Dictiona	ıry		something exceptional
									has happened, especially
									when it occurred exactly
									as one intended. The
									phrase was popularized
									after a video of ball state
									university student Brian
									Collins uttering it during
									a collegiate sportscast
									went viral on the
									internet."
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The first two instances of winged words are traced back to Bible. Sabine Fiedler mentions this as well in her book, stating that the Bible was a fruitful source of these types of PUs. The promised land is mentioned in the Old Testament as the final destination of the Jewish people after they escaped Egyptian slavery. Ten Commandments is again traced back to Bible, and it refers to the moral laws God gave to the same wandering Jews. The third PU, 'a man who stands for nothing falls for everything', is a line that is often prescribed to be said by Alexander Hamilton, but there are no official records of him saying it. It has been said by many famous people throughout history, but the official records say that the source remains unknown. The last one is a catchphrase that was coined more recently by a university student during a sports event.

## 5.6 List of paraphrasal verbs

As mentioned previously, according to Fiedler's definition, paraphrasal verbs consist of a transitive verb and a noun phrase that carries the meaning (Fiedler 51). This table shows the overview of paraphrasal verbs extracted from the lyrics. They are: *to keep one's guard up; to take up a collection; to drop knowledge; to reach a goal; to take a shot; to hatch a plot; to* 

take a stand; to pop a squat; to make an agreement; to have something to prove; to take the lead; to take a bite of someone.

**Table 6 List of paraphrasal verbs** 

	Paraphrasal verb	Citation form	Definition	Dictionary entry
		of a PU		
1	kept his guard up	to keep one's guard up	have/keep one's guard up  – Merriam-Webster	"Be careful and alert."
2	took up a collection	to take up a collection	take up a collection – The Free Dictionary	"To request and collect donations (usually of money) from people (for some cause)."
3	drop some knowledge	to drop knowledge	drop knowledge – The Free Dictionary	"To inform or educate one about something."
4	to reach my goal	to reach a goal	reach a target/goal — Longman	"To achieve what you wanted to achieve."
5	to take a shot	to take a shot	take a shot – Merriam- Webster	"To fire a gun."
6	hatch a plot	to hatch a plot	hatch a plot – Merriam- Webster	"To make a secret plan to do something that is usually illegal or harmful."
7	takin' a stand	to take a stand	take a stand – Dictionary of American Idioms	"To assert one's point of view; declare one's position."
8	poppin' a squat	to pop a squat	pop a squat – Online Slang Dictionary	"To sit down; to defecate."
9	made an agreement	to make an agreement	make an agreement – The Free Dictionary	"To organize, plan, or prepare."
10	has something to prove	to have something to prove	have something to prove  — The Free Dictionary	"To have the need to display and confirm one's abilities to others who are doubtful."
11	take the lead	to take the lead	take the lead – The Free Dictionary	"To be the primary person working on something; to

				assert oneself as the
				leader."
12	to take a bite of me	to take a bite of someone		"To reduce something by eliminating, completing, or
			Dictionary	removing a part of it."

## 6 List of phrasal verbs

In this paragraph, an overview of phrasal verbs is presented. Phrasal verbs are not a part of Fiedler's classification per se. As mentioned, in her classification there are verbs, which are a part of the phraseological nomination category, and then there are the abovementioned paraphrasal verbs. In order to present the PUs in the clearest way possible, the decision to separate the phrasal verbs from the phraseological nominations was made. Phrasal verbs are combinations of verbs followed by an adverb or preposition, or in some cases, both. Phrasal verbs are informal and idiomatic in meaning. Therefore, as they are multi-word expressions whose meaning is idiomatic, they are also phraseological units, but not a part of Fiedler's classification. I have, hence, taken the liberty to distance myself from Fiedler's classification to add them in a separate table, as there was a large number of them that were extracted from the lyrics.

There are overall 44 phrasal verbs found in the corpus, which are: to grow up; to get around; to cart away; to move in; to fend for oneself; to long for; to back down; to get ahead; to wind up; to shit on; to keep out of something; to rise up; to take away; to pull up; to gawk at; to sneak into; to look around; to tear someone apart; to lead someone astray; to speak for someone; to see someone through something; to throw something away; to batter down; to giddy up; to cut something up; to give up; to play out; to bring out; to figure something out; to set something aside; to size someone or something up; to fall behind; to take over; to leave

behind; to move along; to call out; to shut someone up; to look out; to give oneself away; to knock someone down; to fall apart; to blow one away; to hear one out.

Table 7 List of phrasal verbs

	Phrasal verb	Citation form	Definition	Dictionary entry
		of a PU		
1	grow up	to grow up	grow up – Dictionary of American Idioms	"To become older and more mature; to progress toward adulthood."
2	the word got around	to get around	get around – Dictionary of American Idioms	"To go to different places; move about."
3	slaves were being slaughtered and carted away	to cart away	cart away – Dictionary of American Idioms	"To take away, often with force or with rough handling or behaviour."
4	moved in	to move in	move in – The Free Dictionary	"To begin to occupy a residence or place of business."
5	fend for yourself	to fend for oneself	fend for (oneself) – The Free Dictionary	"To look after or take care of oneself without assistance from anyone else."
6	longing for	to long for	long for – Dictionary of American Idioms	"To desire greatly; miss someone or something badly."
7	back down	to back down	back down – Longman Dictionary	"To admit that you are wrong or that you have lost an argument."
8	get ahead	to get ahead	get ahead – The Free Dictionary	To progress or advance in some aspect of life.
9	wind up dead	to wind up	wind up – Dictionary of American Idioms	To bring or come to an end; finish; stop.
10	shittin' on us	to shit on	shit on – Cambridge English Dictionary	"To treat someone very badly and unkindly."

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11	keep out of trouble	to keep out of something	keep out of something – Macmillan Dictionary	"To not become involved with something."	
12	rise up	to rise up	rise up – The Free Dictionary	To come up; to stage a resistance or revolt; rebel.	
13	take away	to take away	take away – The Free Dictionary	"To rescind someone's access to something, usually as a punishment."	
14	pull up in their carriages	to pull up	pull up – Cambridge Dictionary	"To cause a vehicle to stop."	
15	gawk at the students	to gawk at	gawk at (someone or something) – Farlex Dictionary of Idioms	"To stare at someone or something, obviously and awkwardly."	
16	sneak into	to sneak in	sneak in (to some place) – The Free Dictionary	"To enter (some place) in a quiet, sneaky, inconspicuous, or furtive manner, so as not to be detected."	
17	look around	to look around	look around (at something) – The Free Dictionary	"To (usually briefly) visually examine some place or location by walking around such a place and looking at its various aspects."	
18	tear this dude apart	to tear someone apart	tear apart – Merriam- Webster	"To criticize (someone or something) in a very harsh or angry way especially by describing weakness, flaws, etc."	
19	lead you astray	to lead someone astray	lead (one) astray – The Free Dictionary	"To negatively influence one; to influence one to make poor choices."	
20	speak for me	to speak for someone	speak for (one) – The Free Dictionary	"To testify, argue, or give a recommendation in support of one."	
21	seen each other through it all	to see someone through something	see someone through  - Cambridge English  Dictionary	"To support someone during a difficult time."	

22	don't throw away this thing	to throw something away	throw something away – The Free Dictionary	"To toss something out; to dispose of something."
23	battering down	to batter down	batter down – The Free Dictionary	"To remove or destroy a particular structure."
24	giddy up	to giddy up	giddy up – The Free Dictionary	"Hurry up! Move faster!"
25	cut the city up	to cut something up	cut up – The Free Dictionary	"To chop something into smaller pieces."
26	giving up	to give up	give up – The Free Dictionary	"To surrender."
27	play out	to play out	play out – The Free Dictionary	"To do something to completion; to conclude or finish (something)."
28	brings out	to bring out	bring out – Merriam- Webster	"To make apparent."
29	figure it out	to figure something out	figure someone or something out – The Free Dictionary	"To finally understand something or someone, or find the solution to a problem after a lot of thought."
30	set that aside	to set something aside	set something aside – Cambridge English Dictionary	"To save something, usually money or time, for a special purpose."
31	sized him up	to size someone or something up	size someone or something up – The Free Dictionary	"To observe someone or something to get information."
32	falling behind	to fall behind	fall behind – Cambridge English Dictionary	"To fail to do something fast enough or on time."
33	have taken over	to take over	take over – Macmillan	To begin to do something that someone else was doing.
34	left behind	to leave behind	leave behind – The Free Dictionary	"To abandon or forsake someone."
35	move along	to move along	move along – The Free Dictionary	"To instruct, direct, or compel someone to advance forward."

36	called you out	to call out	call out – The Free Dictionary	"To challenge one to a fight."
37	shut him up	to shut someone up	shut someone up — The Free Dictionary	"To silence someone."
38	look out	to look out	look out – The Free Dictionary	"Be careful, be watchful."
39	give us away	to give oneself away	give (oneself) away – The Free Dictionary	"To reveal or make known – usually unintentionally – something about oneself, such as one's actions, intentions, ideas, guilt, etc."
40	drive the British away	to drive one away	drive away – Merriam-Webster	"To cause or force (someone) to leave especially by making a situation unpleasant or unattractive."
41	knock me down	to knock someone down	knock someone or something down – The Free Dictionary	"To thrust someone or something to the ground by hitting."
42	fall apart	to fall apart	fall apart – Macmillan	"To lose control of your emotions and become unable to deal with a difficult situation."
43	blow us all away	to blow one away	blow away – The Free Dictionary	"To thoroughly impress, overwhelm, or excite someone."
44	hear me out	to hear one out	hear out – The Free Dictionary	"To listen to and consider the entirety of one has to say, often when the listener is reluctant to do so."

### 7 Conclusion

This paper aimed to extract, analyse and classify the phraseological units found in the lyrics of songs of musical *Hamilton*. The songs referenced were a part of Act I (out of two), 23 songs in total. This musical was written in a specific style that is not usual when writing a musical. This is a historical musical, telling the story of Alexander Hamilton, one of America's founding fathers, written in hip-hop and R'n'B style. These two styles often allude to sex, drugs, use of profanities, but the musical *Hamilton* omitted this aspect of rap music and utilized its "clean" form. This was so that the musical would remain family-friendly, though rarely some instances of profanities can still be found. The theoretical framework was based on Sabine Fiedler's book on English phraseology called *English Phraseology: A Coursebook*.

Due to the fact that many phraseological units from abovementioned categories could overlap with other categories, as Fiedler's classification is not the most precise, this paper focused mostly on the classification of conventional types of PUs. Also, since there are no wellerisms among the Hamilton lyrics, the previous categories containing (restricted) collocations, and wellerisms, will be excluded, partly to avoid repetition, and partly because Fiedler's classification can result in an overlap of the PUs of certain categories.

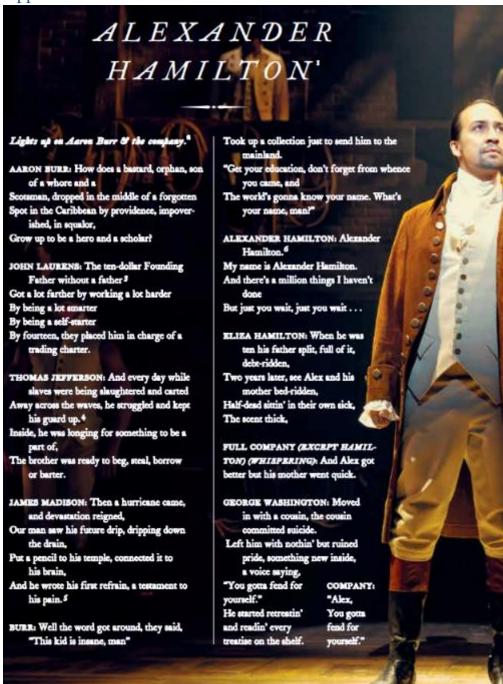
As suspected, the corpus was rich with PUs, resulting in 216 overall PUs found. Out of this, 133 were phraseological nominations, which were further subcategorized into verbs, nouns, adjectives and adverbs. There we 6 irreversible binomials, 2 proverbs, 15 routine formula, 4 winged words, and 12 paraphrasal verbs found as well. An additional category has been added, that of phrasal verbs. This category is not a part of Fiedler's classification, nonetheless, the entries that were put into the category are considered to be PUs, just not a part of said classification. There were 44 phrasal verbs found in the corpus. The categories of PUs that are also a part of Fiedler's classification, but were omitted are stereotyped comparisons,

rhyming slang, and wellerisms. This is because not one instance of said PUs was found in the corpus.

This is an evident example that phraseological units take a large portion of everyday communication and vocabulary. Several PUs were colloquial in style, which is of no surprise as the intention was to make a musical that focused on one historical event, and as it is musical, it replicates everyday communication.

This attempt was a challenging one, as in some cases, modifications were made to the PUs, which made the classification that much harder. The lyrics of the songs, even though they resemble a conversational style, are still songs that are a part of a historical musical, therefore, have a slightly different style and intention. But, not only modifications made the process challenging, as Fiedler's classification is not completely precise. That means that the categories and types of PUs allow overlapping, which was the biggest challenge in this classification. Nonetheless, this proved that the musical *Hamilton*, as well as its maker, Lin-Manuel Miranda, deserve the praise they have been given, at least from the linguistic point of view.

## Appendix



You never learned to You never learned to take your time! Oh, Alexander BURR: There would have been nothin' left to do take your time! Oh, Alexander Hamilton Oh, Alexander Hamikon For someone less astute, He woulds been dead or destitute When America sings Alexander Hamilton Without a cent or restitution, America sings for you Will they know what Started workin'-clerkin' for his late moth for you Will they know what you overcame, Tradin' sugar cane and rum and all the things you overcame? Will they know you rewrote the game, <sup>8</sup> The world will never he oun't afford Will they know you Scammin' for every book he can get his rewrote the game? The world will never COMPANY: Scammin' hands on be the same, oh. be the same, oh. Plannin' for the future Plannin' see him now as he Ocobb ... 10116 The ship is in the stands on MANE harbor now, see if you Just you wait.
can spot him.
Another immigrant, The bow of a ship headed for a new comin' up from the In New York you can be a new man. bottom. His enemies COMPANY destroyed his rep COMPANY: HAMILTON: Just you wait. In New York you can Just you wait! America forgot him. be a new man-In New York you can Just you wait! MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: We fought with him.9 be a new man-COMPANY: In New York you can be a LAURENS: Me? I died for him. new man-WASHINGTON: Mel I trusted him. WOMEN: In New York-ELIZA, ANGELICA, MARIA REYNOLDS: MEN: New York-Mel I loved him. HAMILTON: Just you wait! BURR: And me? I'm the damn fool that shot him. COMPANY: Alexander Hamilton COMPANY COMPANY: There's a million things I Alexander Hamilton haven't done, But just you wait! We are waiting in the wings for you. Waiting in the wings for you. BURR: What's your name, man? You could Never back down. COMPANY: Alexander Hamilton!

# AARON BURR, SIR

The lights change. Aaron Burr emerges. He is approached by Hamilton.

COMPANY (EXCEPT HAMILTON): Seventeen seventy-six. New York City.

HAMILTON: Pardon me. Are you Aaron Burr, sir?

BURR: That depends. Who's asking?

HAMILTON: Oh, well, sure, sir.

I'm Alexander Hamilton. I'm at your service, sir.

I have been looking for you.

Then we could prove that we're worth more than anyone bargained for . . .

BURR: Can I buy you a drink?

HAMILTON: That would be nice.

BURR: While we're talking, let me offer you some free advice.

They enter Fraunces Tavern, where a rap circle comprised of Laurens, Lafayette & Mulligan is underway.

BURR: I'm getting nervous.

### HAMILTON: Sir . . .

I heard your name at Princeton. I
was seeking an accelerated course
of study when I got sort of out of
sorts with a buddy of yours. I may
have punched him. It's a blur, sir.
He handles the financials?

BURR: You punched the bursar.3

### HAMILTON: Yes!

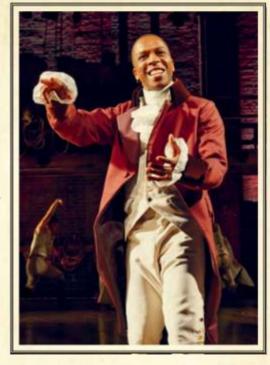
I wanted to do what you did.

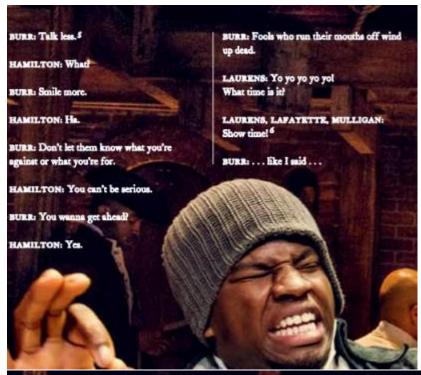
Graduate in two, then join the revolution. He looked at me like I was stupid, I'm not stupid.

So how'd you do it? How'd you graduate so fast?

BURR: It was my parents' dying wish before they passed.

HAMILTON: You're an orphan? Of course! I'm an orphan. God, I wish there was a war!





LAURENS: No more sex, pour me another LAURENS: Show time! Show time! Yol I'm John Laurens in the place to bel 7 brew, son! Two pints o' Sam Adams, but I'm workin' on Let's raise a couple more . . . three, uh! Those redcoats don't want it with mel LAURENS, LAPAYETTE, MULLIGAN: To the revolution! Cuz I will pop chick-a pop these cops 'til I'm free! LAURENS: Well, if it ain't the prodigy of LAFAYETTE: Oui oui, mon ami, je m'appelle Princeton college! Lafayettel The Lancelot of the revolutionary set! MULLIGAN: Agron Burr I came from afar just to say "Bonsoir!"
Tell the King, "Casse toil" Who's the best?
C'est moil LAURENS: Give us a verse, drop some knowledgel BURR: Good luck with that: You're takin' a stand. MULLIGAN: Brrrah brraash! I am Hercules You spit. I'm 'a sit. We'll see where we land. Mulligan, Up in it, lovin' it, yes I heard ya mother said LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN: Boooo! "come again?"

Lock up ya deughters and horses, of course
It's hard to have intercourse over four sets LAURENS: Burr, the revolution's imminent. What do you stall for? of corsets ... 9 HAMILTON: If you stand for nothing, Burr, what'll you fall for? 10

# MT SHOT

LAURENS: Ooh. MULLIGAN:

LAFAYETTE:

Ooh,

Ooh.

Who are you?

Who are you?

Who are you?

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE, LAURENS: Ooh, who is this kid? What's he gonna do?

HAMILTON: I am not throwing away my shot!
I am not throwing away my shot!
Hey yo, I'm just like my country,
I'm young, scrappy and hungry,
And I'm not throwing away my shot!
I'm 'a get a scholarship to King's College
I prob'ly shouldn't brag, but dag, I amaze and astonish.

The problem is I got a lot of brains but no polish

I gotta holler just to be heard. 
With every word, I drop knowledge!
I'm a diamond in the rough, a shiny piece
of coal

Tryin' to reach my goal. My power of speech: unimpeachable.

Only nineteen but my mind is older.<sup>6</sup>
These New York City streets get colder,
I shoulder

Ev'ry burden, ev'ry disadvantage I have learned to manage, I don't have a gun to brandish.

I walk these streets famished.<sup>5</sup> The plan is to fan this spark into a flame But damn, it's getting dark, so let me spell out the name,

I am the-

HAMILTON, LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN, LAURENS: A-L-E-X-A-N-D-E-R—we are meant to be . . . 4 HAMILTON: A colony that runs independently.

Meanwhile, Britain keeps shittin' on us endlessly.

Essentially, they tax us relentlessly,

Then King George turns around, runs a
spending spree.<sup>5</sup>

He ain't ever gonna set his descendants free,

So there will be a revolution in this century.

LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN, LAURENS: (He says in parentheses.)<sup>6</sup>

HAMILTON: Don't be shocked when your hist'ry book mentions me. I will lay down my life if it sets us free. Eventually, you'll see my ascendancy,

HAMILTON:

Enter me!

And I am not throwing away my shot. LAURENS:

My shot!

My shot!

I am not throwing

away my shot.

Hey yo, I'm just like my country,

I'm young, scrappy and hungry

And I'm not throwing away my shot.

And I'm not throwing away my shot.

HAMILTON, MULLIGAN, LAURENS,

LAFAYETTE: I am not throwing away my shot.
I am not throwing away my shot.
Hey yo, I'm just like my country,
I'm young, scrappy and hungry
And I'm not throwing away my shot.

They drink.

#### HAMILTON, MULLIGAN, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE: It's time to take a shot!

LAFAYETTE: I dream of life without a monarchy.<sup>7</sup>
The unrest in France will lead to 'onarchy?
'Onarchy? How you say, how you say, "anarchy?"
When I fight, I make the other side panicky.
With my—

#### HAMILTON, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN: Shot!

MULLIGAN: Yo, I'm a tailor's apprentice,
And I got y'all knuckleheads in loco parentis.

I'm joining the rebellion cuz I know it's my chance
To socially advance, instead of sewin' some pants!
I'm gonna take a—

#### HAMILTON, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN: Shot!

LAURENS: But we'll never be truly free Until those in bondage have the same rights as you and me.

You and I. Do or die. Wait till I sally in On a stallion with the first black battalion. Have another—

### HAMILTON, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN: Shor!

BURR: Geniuses, lower your voices. You keep out of trouble and you double your choices.

I'm with you, but the situation is fraught. You've got to be carefully taught: 9 If you talk, you're gonna get shot!

HAMILTON: Burr, check what we got. To
Mr. Lafayette, hard rock like Lancelot,
I think your pants look hot,
Laurens, I like you a lot
Let's hatch a plot blacker than the kettle calling

What are the odds the gods would put us all in one spot, Poppin' a squat on conventional wisdom, like it or not,

A bunch of revolutionary manumission abolitionists?

Give me a position, show me where the ammunition is!

Oh, am I talkin' too loud?

Sometimes I get overexcited, shoot off at the mouth.

I never had a group of friends before, I promise that I'll make y'all proud.

LAURENS: Let's get this guy in front of a crowd.

### HAMILTON, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN, ENSEMBLE: I am not throwing away my shot.

I am not throwing away my shot. Hey yo, I'm just like my country, I'm young, scrappy and hungry And I'm not throwing away my shot.

I am not throwing away my shot.
I am not throwing away my shot.
Hey yo, I'm just like my country,
I'm young, scrappy and hungry.
And I'm not throwing away my shot.

	HAMILTON,
LAURENS:	LAFAYETTE,
Ev'rybody sing:	MULLIGAN:
Whoa, whoa, whoa	Whoa! Whoa! Whoa
Hey!	
Whoa!	Whoa!
Wooh!!	
Whoa!	Whoa!
Ay, let 'em hear ya!	
Let's go!	Yea!
CONTRACTOR OF STATE O	COMPANY:
	Whoa! Whoa! Whoa
I said shout it to the	
rooftops!	Whoa!
Said to the rooftops!	Whoa!
The state of the s	

Yea!

Come on!

Come on, let's go!

#### LAURENS: Risc upl When you're living on your knees, You rise up. " Tell your brother that he's gotta rise up. HAMILTON: I imagine death so much it feels more like a memory <sup>18</sup> Tell your sister that she's gotta rise up. When's it gonna get me? In my sleep? Seven feet ahead of me? If I see it comin' do I run or do I let it be? LAURENS AND ENSEMBLE: Is it like a beat without a melody? See, I never thought I'd live past twenty Where I come from some get half as many. Ask anybody why we livin' fast and we Laugh, reach for a flask, When are these colonies gonna Rise up? When are these Whos! Whos! Whos! colonies gonna rise up When are these Whos! colonies gonna rise up We have to make this moment last, that's plenty. When are these colonies Whos! Hamilton joins the group, and we see that he is now speaking to a larger crowd. gonna rise up? Rise up! Rise upl Cycle of vengeance and death with no defendants? HAMILTON: Scratch that, This is not a moment, it's the movement I know the action in the street is excitin', But Jesus, between all the bleedin' 'n fightin' I've Where all the hungriest brothers with something to prove went.

Foes oppose us, we take an honest stand, We roll like Moses, claimin' our promised land. And? 15 If we win our independence? "Zat a guarantee of freedom for our descendants?

Or will the blood we shed begin an endless

been readin' 'n writin'. 14

We need to handle our financial situation. Are we a nation of states? What's the state of our

I'm past patiently waitin'. I'm passionately smashin' every expectation, Every action's an act of creation! I'm laughin' in the face of casualties and sorrow,

For the first time, I'm thinkin' past tomorrow.

### HAMILTON AND COMPANY: And I am not

throwing away my shot I am not throwing away my shot. Hey yo, I'm just like my country, I'm young, scrappy and hungry And I'm not throwing away my shot.

#### HAMILTON.

#### LAURENS, LAFAY-

ETTE, MULLIGAN: ENSEMBLE:

We're gonna rise up! Not throwin' away

Time to take a shot! My shot.

We're gonna rise up! Not throwin' away Time to take a shot!

My shot.

We're gonna

We're gonna Rise up!

Rise up!

#### HAMILTON:

It's time to take a shot! 15

Rise up!

HAMILTON,

Rise up!

LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN. LAURENS

It's time to take a shot!

Rise up!

Take a shor!

Rise up!

Shot!

Ri-ri-ri

Shot!

A-yo, it's

Time to take a shot!

Time to take a shot!

Time to take a shot! Time to take a shot!

And I am-

And I am-

### HAMILTON, LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN,

LAURENS: Not throwin' away my-

COMPANY: Not throwin' away my shot!

End of song. Hamilton, Laurens, Mulligan & Lafayette are back in the tavern, after several drinks.

> The STORY OF TONIGHT

HAMILTON: I may not live to see our glory! a

LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN, LAURENS: I may not live to see our glory!

HAMILTON: But I will gladly join the fight!

LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN, LAURENS: But I will gladly join the fight!

HAMILTON: And when our children tell our story ...

LAFAYETTE, MULLIGAN, LAURENS:

And when our children tell our story . . .

HAMILTON: They'll tell the story of tonight.

MULLIGAN: Let's have another round tonight.

LAFAYETTE: Let's have another round tonight.

HAMILTON: Let's have another round tonight.

LAURENS: Raise a glass to freedom, Something they can never take away, no matter what they tell you.3 Raise a glass to the four of us.

LAURENS, MULLIGAN: Tomorrow there'll be more of us.

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE, LAURENS: Telling the story of tonight.

HAMILTON: They'll tell the story of tonight.

LAURENS, MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Raise a glass to freedom,

Something they can never take away.

HAMILTON: No matter what they tell you.

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Let's have another round tonight.

LAURENS: Raise a glass to the four of us.

HAMILTON, LAURENS, MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Tomorrow there'll be more of us.

HAMILTON, LAURENS: Telling the story of tonight.

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Let's have another round tonight.

HAMILTON, LAURENS,

They'll tell the story of tonight.

MULLIGAN, LAFAY-ETTE, ENSEMBLE: Raise a glass to

They'll tell the story

of tonight.

Raise a glass to freedom.

freedom.

They'll tell the story of tonight.

They'll tell the story

ENSEMBLE: Tonight.4

Scene shift. A city square. Burr enters.





ANGELICA: I've been reading "Common Sense" by Thomas Paine. 6 COMPANY ANGELICA Eliza, I'm lookin' for a mind at work. So men say that I'm intense or I'm insane. Work, work! I'm lookin' for a mind You want a revolution? I wanna revelation So listen to my declaration: at work! Work, work! I'm lookin' for a mind at work! KLIZA, ANGKLICA, PEGGY: "We hold these Work, work! Whoossas! truths to be self-evident That all men are created equal." ELIZA, ANGELICA, PEGGY: Whoosasas ANGELICA: And when I meet Thomas Jefferson, Work! COMPANY: Unh! 7 BURR: Whoo! There's nothin' like summer in ANGRIJCA: I'm 'a compel him to include the city. one in a rush next to someone lookin' pretty. women in the sequel! Excuse me, miss, 4 I know it's not funny But your perfume smells like your daddy's WOMEN: Work! got money.

Why you slummin' in the city in your fancy beels?

You searchin' for an urchin who can give you ideals? ELIZA: Look around, look around at how Lucky we are to be alive right now! ANGELICA: Burr, you diagust me. ELIZA, PEGGY: Look around, look around at how BURR: Ah, so you've discussed me. I'm a trust fund, baby, you can trust me! <sup>5</sup> Lucky we are to be alive right now!



# FARMER REFUTED

Samuel Seabury stands on a box. He reads.

SAMUEL SEABURY: Hear ye, hear ye! My name is Samuel Seabury and I present: "Free Thoughts On the Proceedings of the

Continental Congress!"

Heed not the rabble who scream revolution, They have not your interests at heart.

MULLIGAN: Oh my god. Tear this dude apart.

SEABURY: Chaos and bloodshed are not a solution. Don't let them lead you astray. This Congress does not speak for me.

BURR: Let him be.

SEABURY: They're playing a dangerous game. I pray the King shows you his mercy. For shame, for shame . . .

HAMILTON:

Yot SEABURY: He'd have you all Heed not the rabble

unravel at the

Sound of screams but the Who scream Revolution is comin' Revolution, they

Have-nots are gonna Have not your win this, it's interests at

Hard to listen to you with a straight face.

Chaos and bloodshed Chaos and bloodshed

already haunt are not A solution

Us, honestly you shouldn't even

Talk and what about

Boston?

Look at the

Cost, 'n all that we've

lost 'n you talk

About Congress?!

Astray.

heart.

This Congress does not speak for

Don't let them lead

My dog speaks more Me, eloquently

than thee!

They're playing a

dangerous

But strangely, your mange is the same. Game.

I pray the King shows

you his mercy

Is he in Jersey? 3

For shame,

For the revolution!

For shame,

COMPANY:

For the revolution!

SEABURY: Heed-

HAMILTON: If you repeat yourself again

I'm gonna-

SEABURY, HAMILTON: Scream-

HAMILTON: Honestly, look at me, please

don't read!

SEABURY: Not your interests-

HAMILTON: Don't modulate the key then not

debate with me! 4

Why should a tiny island across the sea regulate

the price of tea?

BURR: Alexander, please!

HAMILTON: Burr, I'd rather be divisive than

indecisive, drop the niceties.

The King's heralds enter.

ENSEMBLE: Silence! A message from the King!

A message from the King!

FULL COMPANY: A message from the King!

(King George appears.)

# TOU'LL BE BACK'



KING GEORGE: You say

The price of my love's not a price that you're willing to pay.

You cry

In your tea which you hurl in the sea when you see me go by.

Why so sad?

Remember we made an arrangement when you went away.

Now you're making me mad.

Remember, despite our estrangement,

I'm your man.

You'll be back.

Soon you'll see.

You'll remember you belong to me.

You'll be back.

Time will tell.

You'll remember that I served you well.

Oceans rise.

Empires fall.

We have seen each other through it all,

And when push

Comes to shove,

I will send a fully armed battalion

To remind you of my love!

Da da da dat da dat da da da ya da <sup>3</sup>

Du da dat dat da ya da! Du da da dat da dat da da da ya da,

Da da dat dat da ya . . .

You say our love is draining and you can't go on. You'll be the one complaining when I am gone . . .

And no don't change the subject, Cuz you're my favorite subject, My sweet, submissive subject, My loyal, royal subject, + Forever and ever and ever and ever and ever . . .

You'll be back, Like before, I will fight the fight and win the war For your love, For your praise, And I'll love you till my dying days. When you're gone I'll go mad, 5 So don't throw away this thing we had. Cuz when push comes to shove I will kill your friends and family to

Da da da dat da da da da da ya De de det det de ye de! De de de det de det de de de De ye de de de det det-Everybody!

remind you of my love.

### ENSEMBLE:

De de de det de det de de de ye de Du du dut dut du yu du! Du du du dut du du du du yu du de de det det de ye de!

British soldiers in red coats emerge. One rebel is killed.

# RIGHT HAND MAN

The company sees a full armada, offstage.

COMPANY: British Admiral Howe's got troops on the water.

Thirty-two thousand troops in New York harbor.

ENSEMBLE 1:

Thirty-two thousand troops in New York

and ENSEMBLE a:

Thirty-two thousand troops in New York und harbor

When they surround our troops!

They surround our troops!

They surround our troops! They surround our troops!

When they surround our troops!

for a war."

HAMILTON: As a kid in the Caribbean I wished

I knew that I was poor I knew it was the only way to-

HAMILTON, BURR, LAURENS, MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Rise up!

HAMILTON: If they tell my story

I am either gonna die on the battlefield in
glory or—5

HAMILTON, BURR, LAURENS, MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Rise up!

HAMILTON: I will fight for this land But there's only one man Who can give us a command so we can—

HAMILTON, BURR, LAURENS, MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Rise up! HAMILTON: Understand? It's the only way to-

HAMILTON, BURR, LAURENS, MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Rise up! Rise up!

HAMILTON: Here he comes!

George Washington enters, heralded by soldiers.

ENSEMBLE: Here comes the general!

BURR: Ladies and gentlemen!

ENSEMBLE: Here comes the general!

BURR: The moment you've been waiting for!

ENSEMBLE: Here comes the general!

BURR: The pride of Mount Vernon!

ENSEMBLE: Here comes the general!

BURR: George Washington!

WASHINGTON: We are outgunned, Outmanned, ENSEMBLE: What? \*

Outnumbered, outplanned. Buck, buck, buck, buck, buck!

We gotta make an all out stand

Ayo, I'm gonna need a

right hand man.

Buck, buck, buck, buck, buck! WASHINGTON: Check it-

Can I be real a second?

For just a millisecond?

Let down my guard and tell the people how I feel a second?

Now I'm the model of a modern major general, 5

The venerated Virginian veteran whose men

Lining up, to put me up on a pedestal, Writin' letters to relatives

Embellishin' my elegance and eloquence, But the elephant is in the room.

The truth is in ya face when ya hear the British cannons go . . .

ENSEMBLE: Boom!

WASHINGTON: Any hope of success is fleeting,

How can I keep leading, when the people I'm leading keep retreating?

We put a stop to the bleeding as the British take Brooklyn,

Knight takes rook,6 but look,

WASHINGTON:

ENSEMBLE:

We are outgunned, Ourmanned.

What? What?

Outnumbered,

outplanned.

Buck, buck, buck, buck, buck!

We gotta make an all

out stand

Ayo, I'm gonna need a

right hand man.

Buck, buck, buck, buck, buck!

Incoming!

HAMILTON: They're battering down the Battery

Check the damages.

MULLIGAN: Rah!

HAMILTON: We gotta stop 'em and rob 'em Of their advantages.

MULLIGAN: Rah!

HAMILTON: Let's take a stand with the stamina God has granted us.

Hamilton won't abandon ship.

Yo, let's steal their cannons-7

MULLIGAN: Shh-

COMPANY:

boom!

Boom!

WASHINGTON: Goes the cannon, watch the

blood and the shit spray and . . .

COMPANY: Boom!

WASHINGTON: Goes the cannon, we're

abandonin' Kips Bay and . . .

COMPANY: Boom!

WASHINGTON: There's another ship and . . .

COMPANY: Boom!

WASHINGTON: We just lost the southern

tip and ...

COMPANY: Boom!

WASHINGTON: We gotta run to Harlem quick,

we can't afford another slip.

Guns and horses giddyup,

I decide to divvy up

My forces, they're skittish as the British cut the

city up.

This close to giving up, facing mad scrutiny,

I scream in the face of this mass mutiny:

Are these the men with which I am to defend America? 8

We ride at midnight, Manhattan in the distance.

I cannot be everywhere at once, people.

I'm in dire need of assistance . . .





BURR: As I was saying, sir, I look forward to seeing your strategy play out.

WASHINGTON: Burr?

BURR- Sir

WASHINGTON: Close the door on your way out.

Burr exits.

HAMILTON: Have I done something wrong, sir?

WASHINGTON: On the contrary.

I called you here because our odds are beyond scary.

Your reputation precedes you, but I have to laugh.

HAMILTON: Sir?

WASHINGTON: Hamilton, how come no one can get you on their staff?

HAMILTON: Sir!

WASHINGTON: Don't get me wrong, you're a young man, of great renown.

I know you stole British cannons when we were still downtown.

Nathaniel Green and Henry Knox wanted to hire you ...

HAMILTON: To be their secretary? I don't think so. 11

WASHINGTON: Why're you upset?

HAMILTON: I'm not-

WASHINGTON: It's alright, you want to fight, you've got a hunger.

I was just like you when I was younger. Head full of fantasies of dyin' like a martyr?

HAMILTON: Yes.

WASHINGTON: Dying is easy, young man. Living is harder."

HAMILTON: Why are you telling me this?

WASHINGTON: I'm being honest.

I'm working with a third of what our Congress has promised.

We are a powder keg about to explode, I need someone like you to lighten the load. So?

COMPANY (EXCEPT HAMILTON): I am not throwin' away my shot!

I am not throwin' away my shot!

Ayo, I am just like my country, I'm young, scrappy and hungry!

HAMILTON: I am not throwing away my shot! 13

WASHINGTON: Son,

WASHINGTON, COMPANY: We are outgunned, outmanned!

HAMILTON: You need all the help you can get. I have some friends. Laurens, Mulligan, Marquis de Lafayette, okay, what else?

#### WASHINGTON AND COMPANY:

Outnumbered, outplanned!

HAMILTON: We'll need some spies on the inside, Some king's men who might let some things

slide-

ELIZA. ANGELICA,

HAMILTON: COMPANY: I'll write to

Boom!

Congress and tell 'em we need

supplies,

You rally the guys, master the

element of

surprise.

PEGGY. WOMEN: Whoa, whoa, whoa . . .

I'll rise above my station, organize your information 'til we rise to the

occasion of our

new nation, Sir!

Whoa, whoa, whoa . . .

ELIZA. ANGELICA. PEGGY. WOMEN:

Whoa, whoa,

ENSEMBLE: Here comes the general!

Chicka-

boom!

HAMILTON:

Rise up!

LAURENS, LAFAY-ETTE, MULLIGAN:

What?

ENSEMBLE:

Here comes the general! SCHUYLER

SISTERS,

LAURENS. WOMEN: LAFAY-Rise up! ETTE.

MULLIGAN:

What?

ENSEMBLE: Here comes the general!

LAURENS,

SCHUYLER LAFAY-

HAMILTON: SISTERS: Rise up!

ETTE. MULLIGAN:

What?

COMPANY: Here comes the general!

HAMILTON: What?

HAMILTON:

Rise up!

Rise up!

WASHINGTON: And his right hand man!

COMPANY: Boom!

# A WINTER'S BALL

BURR: How does the bastard orphan son of a whore go on and on,

Grow into more of a phenomenon?

Watch this obnoxious arrogant loudmouth

Be seated at the right hand of the father.1

Washington hires Hamilton right on sight.

But Hamilton still wants to fight, not write.

Now Hamilton's skill with a quill is undeniable

But what do we have in common? We're reliable with the

ALL MEN: Ladies!

BURR: There are so many to deflower.

ALL MEN: Ladies!

BURR: Looks! Proximity to power.

ALL MEN: Ladies!

BURR: They delighted and distracted him. Martha Washington named her feral tomcat after him!

HAMILTON: That's true.

The scene gradually shifts. We are at a winter soldiers' ball.

COMPANY: Seventeen eighty.

BURR: A winter's ball

And the Schuyler sisters are the envy of all. Yo, if you could marry a sister, you're rich, son.

HAMILTON: Is it a question of if, Burr, or which one?3



# HELPLESS

HAMILTON, BURR, LAURENS: Hey

Hey hey

HAMILTON, BURR, LAURENS, ALL WOMEN (EXCEPT ELIZA): Hey hey hey hey

FEMALE ENSEMBLE,

ANGELICA, PEGGY: Ohh, I do I do I do I Hey hey hey hey Dooo! Hey! Hey hey hey hey Ohh, I do I do I do I Hey hey hey hey Dooo! Boy, you got me Hey hey hey

ELIZA AND WOMEN: Helpless!

Look into your eyes, and the sky's the limit. I'm helpless!

Down for the count, and I'm drownin' in 'em.

ELIZA: I have never been the type to try and grab the spotlight.5

We were at a revel with some rebels on a hot night, Laughin' at my sister as she's dazzling the room. Then you walked in and my heart went "Boom!" Tryin' to catch your eye from the side of the ballroom.

Everybody's dancin' and the band's top volume.

ELIZA, WOMEN: Grind to the rhythm as we wine and dine.

ELIZA: Grab my sister, and whisper, "Yo, this one's mine."3

WOMEN:

Ooohh

Ooohh

ELIZA: My sister made her way across

the room to you

And I got nervous, thinking "What's she

Ooohh gonna do?"

She grabbed you by the arm, I'm thinkin' "I'm through."

Ooohh

Then you look back at

me and suddenly I'm

Helpless!

helpless!

Oh, look at those eyes, 4

Look into your eyes, And the sky's the limit

Yeah, I'm ľm

Helpless, I know

Down for the count, And I'm drownin' in 'em

I'm helpless! I'm so into you

I am so into you

Look into your eyes,

And the sky's the limit I'm helpless!

I know, I'm down for

And I'm drownin'

Down for the count, in 'em

And I'm drownin' in 'em

HAMILTON: Where are you taking me? 5

ANGELICA: I'm about to change your life.

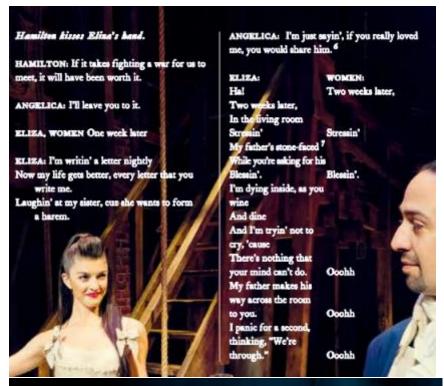
HAMILTON: Then by all means, lead the way.

ELIZA: Elizabeth Schuyler. It's a pleasure to meet you.

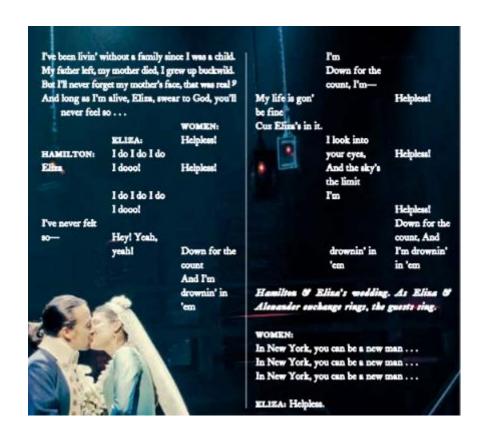
HAMILTON: Schuyler?

ANGELICA: My sister.

ELIZA: Thank you for all your service.



But then he shakes		Helpless! Helpless! Helpless!		
your hand and says,		Down for the count, Down for the count,		
"Be true."	Ooohh	And I'm drownin' in 'em. And I'm drownin' in 'em.		
And you turn back to		Helpless! Helpless!		
me, smiling, and I'm		Down for the count,		
Helpless!	Helplesel	And I'm drownin' in 'em.		
	Look into your eyes,			
	And the sky's the	HAMILTON:		
	limit I'm	Eliza, I don't have a dollar to my name		
Helpless!	Helplesel	An acre of land, a troop to command,		
Hool	Down for the count,	a dollop of fame.		
	And I'm drownin' in	All I have's my honor, a tolerance for pain,		
	'em l'm	A couple of college credits and my top-notch brain.		
	Helpicsel	Insane, your family brings out a different		
That boy is mine.	Same and same	side of me.		
That boy is minel		Peggy confides in me, Angelica tried to take a		
*	Look into your eyes,	bite of me.		
	And the sky's the limit	No stress, my love for you is never in doubt,		
	Pm	We'll get a little place in Harlem and we'll		
		figure it out.		
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## SATISFIED

It is Alexander & Eliza's wedding night. Laurens is finishing up his speech.

LAURENS: Alright, alright. That's what I'm talkin' about! 4 Now everyone, give it up for the maid of honor, Angelica Schuyler!

ANGELICA:

A toast to

the groom ALL MEN:

To the groom!

To the groom! ALL WOMEN:

To the groom! To the groom!

To the bride.

To the bride!

To the bride! To the bride!

From your

sister.

To the bride!

Angelica! ELIZA:

Angelica!

Angelica!

Who is always Angelica!

by your side.

By your side!

By your side!

To your union.

To the union!

To the union!

To the revolution!

To the

revolution!

And the hope

that you provide.

You provide!

You provide! You provide!

May you

always ...

HAMILTON:

Always-

Always-

be satisfied. 5

Rewind-Rewind-

Rewind to the ballroom scene where Hamilton met Eliza.4

ANGELICA: I remember that night I just might Regret that night for the rest of my days

I remember those soldier boys Tripping over themselves to win our praise

I remember that dreamlike candelight Like a dream that you can't quite place

But Alexander, I'll never forget

the first

Time I saw your face

I have never been the same

Intelligent eyes in a hunger-pang frame And when you said hi I forgot my dang name Set my heart aflame, ev'ry part aflame,

FULL COMPANY: This is not a game . . .

HAMILTON: You strike me as a woman who has never been satisfied. 5

ANGELICA: I'm sure I don't know what you mean. You forget yourself.

HAMILTON: You're like me. I'm never satisfied.

ANGELICA: Is that right?

HAMILTON: I have never been satisfied.

Hamilton kisses Angelica's hand. The company gashs.

ANGELICA: My name is Angelica Schuyler.

HAMILTON: Alexander Hamilton.

ANGELICA: Where's your fam'ly from?

HAMILTON: Unimportant. There's a million things I haven't done but Just you wait, just you wait . . .

ANGELICA: So so so— <sup>6</sup>
So this is what it feels like to match wits
With someone at your level! What the hell is the
catch? It's

The feeling of freedom, of seein' the light, It's Ben Franklin with a key and a kite! You see it, right?

You see it, right?
The conversation lasted two minutes, maybe three minutes,

Ev'rything we say in total agreement, it's
A dream and it's a bit of a dance,
A bit of a posture, it's a bit of a stance, he's a
Bit of a flirt, but I'm 'a give it a chance.
I asked about his fam'ty, did you see his answer?
His hands started fidgeting, he looked askance
He's penniless, he's flying by the seat of
his pants

Handsome and boy does he know it!

Peach fuzz, and he can't even grow it!

I wanns take him far away from this place,

Then I turn and see my sister's face
and she is . . .

ELIZA: Helpless ....

ANGELICA: And I know she is ...

ELIZA: Helpless ...

ANGELICA: And her eyes are just . . .

ELIZA: Helpless . . .

ANGELICA: And I reslize

ANGELICA AND COMPANY: Three fundamental truths at the exact same time ... 7

My father has no sons so I'm the one?
Who has to social climb for one,
'Cause I'm the okiest and the wittiest and
the gossip in
New York City is insidious
Alexander is penniless,
Hal That doesn't mean I want him any less.

RLIZA: Elizabeth Schuyler. It's a pleasure to meet you.

HAMILTON: Where are you taking me?

ANGELICA: I'm about to change your life.

HAMILTON: Then by all means, lead the way.

COMPANY: Number one!

ANGELICA: I'm a girl in a world in which My only job is to marry rich.



HAMILTON: Schuyler?

ANGELICA: My sister.

COMPANY: Number two!

ANGELICA: He's after me cuz I'm a Schuyler sister.

That elevates his status, Pd Have to be naïve to set that aside,

Maybe that is why I introduced him to Eliza.	To the bride!		
Now that's his bride.			To the bride!
Nice going, Angelica, he was right,		To the bride!	
You will never be satisfied.		To the bride!	To the bride!
	From your sis	ster.	
ELIZA: Thank you for all your service.	- 2	Angelica!	ELIZA:
		Angelica!	Angelica!
Hamilton kisses Eliza's hand.	Who is always		
	by your side.		
HAMILTON: If it takes fighting a war	1000	By your side.	
for us to meet, it will have been worth it.			By your side.
	To your union	1.	
ANGELICA: I'll leave you to it.		To the union!	To the union!
	1,116	To the	To the
COMPANY: Number three!		revolution!	revolution!
	And the hope		
ANGELICA: I know my sister like I know	you provide.		
my own mind,		You provide!	
You will never find anyone as trusting or as kind.		You provide!	You provide!
If I tell her that I love him she'd be silently	May you		
resigned,	always	HAMILTON:	
He'd be mine.		Always—	Always-
She would say, "I'm fine."	Be satisfied.		
		Be satisfied,	
COMPANY: She'd be lying.			Be satisfied.
		Be satisfied,	
The scene dissolves, as Angelica continues.			
	And I know	MEN:	
ANGELICA: But when I fantasize		Be satisfied.	WOMEN:
at night		Be satisfied.	Be satisfied.
It's Alexander's eyes		Be satisfied.	
As I romanticize what might	She'll be	Be satisfied.	
Have been if I hadn't sized him	happy as		
Up so quickly.		Be satisfied.	
At least my dear Eliza's		Be satisfied.	
his wife,	his bride.		
At least I keep his eyes	And I know	Be satisfied.	Be satisfied.
in my life 10		Be satisfied.	
		Be satisfied.	
Angelica pauses and raises a glass as the		Be satisfied.11	
wedding reassembles around her.			Be satisfied.
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ANGELICA: COMPANY:		He will never be so	itistied.
To the groom! To the groom!	I will never be	satisfied.	
To the groom! WOMEN:			
To the groom! To the groom!			

## The

# STORY OF TONIGHT

(REPRISE)

Later in the night. Mulligan, Laurens & Lafayette enter, with goblets in hand, razzing Hamilton.

LAURENS: I may not live to see our glory!

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: I may not live to see our glory!

LAURENS: But I've seen wonders great and small.

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Γ've seen wonders great and small.

LAURENS: Cuz if the tomcat can get married,

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: If Alexander can get married—

LAURENS: There's hope for our ass, after all!

LAFAYETTE: Raise a glass to freedom.

LAURENS, MULLIGAN: Hey! Something you will never see again! <sup>1</sup>

MULLIGAN: No matter what she tells you.

LAFAYETTE: Let's have another round tonight!

LAURENS: Raise a glass to the four of us!

LAFAYETTE, HAMILTON: Ho!

MULLIGAN: To the newly not poor of us!

HAMILTON, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE: Woo!

LAFAYETTE: We'll tell the story of tonight.

LAURENS: Let's have another round-

Burr enters.

HAMILTON: Well, if it isn't Aaron Burr.

BURR: Sir.

HAMILTON: I didn't think that you would make it.

BURR: To be sure.

MULLIGAN, LAFAYETTE: Burr!

BURR: I came to say congratulations.

MULLIGAN: Spit a verse, Burr!

BURR: I see the whole gang's here.

LAFAYETTE: You are the worst, Burr! 8

HAMILTON: Ignore them. Congrats to you, Lt. Colonel.

I wish I had your command instead of manning George's journal.

BURR: No, you don't.

HAMILTON: Yes, I do.

BURR: Now, be sensible.

From what I hear, you've made yourself indispensable.

LAURENS: Well, well, I beard You've got a special someone on the side, Burr.

HAMILTON: Is that so?

LAURENS: What are you tryin' to hide, Burr?

BURR: I should go.

HAMILTON: No, these guys should go.

LAPAYETTE: What?

LAURENS: No!

HAMILTON: Leave us alone.

MULLIGAN: Man ...

Mulligan, Laurens & Lafayette slink off.

HAMILTON: It's skright, Burr. I wish you'd brought this girl with you tonight, Burr.

BURR: You're very kind, but I'm afraid it's unlawful, sir.

HAMILTON: What do you mean?

BURR: She's married.

HAMILTON: I see.

BURR: She's married to a British officer. 5

HAMILTON: Oh shit ...

BURR: Congrats again, Alexander. Smile more. I'll see you on the other side of the war.

HAMILTON: I will never understand you.

If you love this woman, go get her! What are
you waiting for?

BURR: I'll see you on the other side of the war.

HAMILTON: I'll see you on the other side of the war.

# WAIT FOR IT

BURR: Theodosia writes me a letter ev'ry day. I'm keeping her bed warm while her husband is away.

He's on the British side in Georgia. He's tryin' to keep the colonies in line. But he can keep all of Georgia. Theodosia, she's mine.

Love doesn't discriminate Between the sinners And the saints. It takes and it takes and it takes

And we keep loving anyway.

We laugh and we cry

And we break

And we make our mistakes. And if there's a reason I'm by her side When so many have tried Then I'm willing to wait for it.

### BURR:

My grandfather was a fire and

brimstone MEN: preacher, Preacher, preacher, preacher

I'm willing to wait for it.

But these are things that the homilies and hymns

won't teach Ya, ya.\* Teach ya, teach ya

My mother was a genius, My father

commanded Respect, respect. respect BURR: When they died they left no instructions. Just a legacy to protect.

#### BURR, ENSEMBLE:

Death doesn't discriminate <sup>3</sup>
Between the sinners and the saints, It takes, and it takes, and it takes And we keep living anyway.

We rise and we fall
And we break,
And we make our mistakes.
And if there's a reason I'm still alive
When ev'ryone who loves me has died
I'm willing to wait for it.

Wait for it.

### ENSEMBLE:

Wait for it. Wait for it. Wait for it.

#### BURR

I am the one thing in life I can control.

### ENSEMBLE:

Wait for it. Wait for it. Wait for it. Wait for it.

### BURR:

WOMEN:

Genius

I am inimitable, I am an original.

### ENSEMBLE: Wait for it. Wait for it. Wait for it.

Wait for it.

BURR:	He exhibits no restraint.	
I am not falling behind or running late	He takes and he takes and he takes	
	And he keeps winning	anyway.
ENSEMBLE:	He changes the game.	
Wait for it.	He plays and he raises the stakes.	
Wait for it.	And if there's a reason	
Wait for it.	He seems to thrive when so few survive,	
Wait for it.	then goddamnit—	
BURR:	BURR: I'm willing to	COMPANY: I'm willing
I am not standing still,	wait for it.	to wait for it.
I am lying in wait.		Wait for it,
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Wait for-
ENSEMBLE:	I'm willing to wait	
Wait	for it	
Wait	Life doesn't	Life doesn't
Wait	discriminate	discriminate
	Between the sinners	Between the sinners and
BURR:	and the saints.	the saints.
Hamilton faces an endless uphill climb.	It takes and it takes	It takes and it takes and
	and it takes	it takes
ENSEMBLE:	We rise	And we keep living
Climb		anyway
Climb		
Climb	We fall	We rise and we fall
		and we break
BURR:		And we make our
He has something to prove		mistakes
He has nothing to lose.	And if there's a reason	And if there's a reason
	I'm still slive	I'm still slive
ENSEMBLE:	When so many have	When so many have
Lose	died	died
Lose	Then I'm willin' to-	Then I' willin' to-
Lose		
Lose	BURR:	
	Wait for it + WOME	EN:
BURR:		or it MEN:
Hamilton's pace is relentless, he wastes no time.	Wait for it	Wait for it
and the same of th		for it
ENSEMBLE:	*****	Wait for it
Time	Weir	for it
Time	*****	Wait for it
Time	Wait	for it
	*****	Wait for it
BURR: What is it like in his shoes?	Weit	for it
Hamilton doesn't hesitate.	*****	Wait
Tamanan ocon Caronano		******

### STAT ALIVE

Hamilton is seated. He is writing letters.

ELIZA: Stay alive . . .

ELIZA, ANGELICA, ENSEMBLE WOMEN: Stay alive . . .

**HAMILTON:** I have never seen the general so despondent.

I have taken over writing all his correspondence. Congress writes, "George, attack the British forces."

I shoot back, we have resorted to eating our horses.

Local merchants deny us equipment, assistance,

WASHINGTON: Don't engage, strike by night. Remain relentless 'til their troops take flight.

HAMILTON: Make it impossible to justify the cost of the fight.

WASHINGTON: Outrun.

HAMILTON: Outrun.

WASHINGTON: Outlast.

HAMILTON: Outlast.

WASHINGTON: Hit 'em quick, get out fast.

HAMILTON: Chick-a-plao!

WASHINGTON: Stay alive 'til this horror show is past.

We're gonna fly a lot of flags half-mast.

They only take British money, so sing a song of sixpence.

Washington enters. Hamilton stands at attention.

WASHINGTON: The cavalry's not coming.

HAMILTON: Sir!

WASHINGTON: Alex, listen. There's only one way for us to win this. Provoke outrage, outright.

HAMILTON: That's right.

HAMILTON, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE:

Raise a glass!

MULLIGAN: I go back to New York and my apprenticeship.

LAFAYETTE: I ask for French aid, I pray that France has sent a ship.

LAURENS: I stay at work with Hamilton. We write essays against slavery. And every day's a test of our camaraderie and bravery.

HAMILTON: We cut supply lines, we steal contraband.

We pick and choose our battles and places to take a stand.

And ev'ry day,

"Sir, entrust me with a command."

And ev'ry day,

WASHINGTON: No.

HAMILTON: He dismisses me out of hand.

General Charles Lee enters.

ELIZA,

HAMILTON: Instead of me ANGELICA: Stay alive.

He promotes LEE: Charles Lee. Charles Lee.

Makes him

second-in-command:

LEE: I'm a general. Whee!!!!

HAMILTON: Yeah. He's not the choice I would have gone with.

HAMILTON, LAURENS, LAFAYETTE:

He shits the bed at the Battle of Monmouth.

WASHINGTON: Ev'ryone attack!

LEE: Retreat!

WASHINGTON: Attack!

LEE: Retreat!

WASHINGTON: What are you doing, Leef

Get back on your feet!

LEE: But there's so many of them!

WASHINGTON: I'm sorry, is this not your speed?!

Hamilton!

HAMILTON: Ready, sir!

WASHINGTON: Have Lafayette take the lead!

HAMILTON: Yes, sir!

LAURENS: A thousand soldiers die in a hundred degree heat.

LAFAYETTE: As we snatch a stalemate from the jaws of defeat.

HAMILTON: Charles Lee was left behind

Without a pot to piss in.

He started sayin' this to anybody who would listen.

LEE: Washington cannot be left alone to his devices

Indecisive, from crisis to crisis.

The best thing he can do for the revolution is turn 'n

Go back to plantin' tobacco in Mount Vernon.

COMPANY: Ooh!!

WASHINGTON: Don't do a thing. History will prove him wrong.

HAMILTON: But, sir!

WASHINGTON: We have a war to fight, let's move along.

LAURENS: Strong words from Lee, someone oughta hold him to it.

HAMILTON: I can't disobey direct orders.

LAURENS: Then I'll do it.

Alexander, you're the closest friend I've got.

HAMILTON: Laurens, do not throw away your shot.

# TEN DUEL COMMANDMENTS

MEN: One, two, three, four

FULL COMPANY: Five, six, seven, eight, nine . . .

BURR, HAMILTON, LAURENS, LEE: It's the Ten Duel Commandments.

FULL COMPANY: It's the Ten Duel Commandments.

Number one!

LAURENS: The challenge: demand satisfaction.

If they apologize no need for further action.

COMPANY: Number two!

LAURENS: If they don't, grab a friend, that's your second.

HAMILTON: Your lieutenant when there's reckoning to be reckoned.

COMPANY: Number three!

LEE: Have your seconds meet face to face.

BURR: Negotiate a peace . . .

HAMILTON: Or negotiate a time and place.

BURR: This is commonplace, 'specially 'tween recruits.

COMPANY: Most disputes die, and no one shoots. Number four! LAURENS: If they don't reach a peace, that's alright.

Time to get some pistols and a doctor on site.

HAMILTON: You pay him in advance, you treat him with civility.

BURR: You have him turn around so he can have deniability.

COMPANY: Five!

LEE: Duel before the sun is in the sky.

COMPANY: Pick a place to die where it's high and dry, number six!

HAMILTON: Leave a note for your next of kin.
Tell 'em where you been. Pray that hell or
heaven lets you in.

COMPANY: Seven!

LEE: Confess your sins, ready for the moment Of adrenaline when you finally face your opponent

COMPANY: Number eight!

LAURENS, LEE, HAMILTON, BURR: Your last chance to negotiate.

Send in your seconds, see if they can set the record straight . . .

Hamilton & Burr meet center stage. They are the seconds in this duel.

### BURR: Alexander.

HAMILTON: Auron Burr, sir.

BURR: Can we agree that duels are dumb and immature?

HAMILTON: Sure.

But your man has to answer for his words, Burr. 3

BURR: With his life? We both know that's

HAMILTON: Hang on, how many men died because Lee was inexperienced and ruinous?

BURR: Okay, so we're doin' this.

They walk off to their respective corners.

COMPANT: Number ninel

HAMILTON: Look 'em in the eye,
sim no higher.

Summon all the courage you require.

COMPANT: Ten paces!

MEN: One two three four

Then count

# MEET ME INSIDE

HAMILTON: Lee, do you yield!

BURR: You shot him in the side! Yes, he yields!

LAURENS: I'm satisfied.

BURR: Yo we gotta clear the field!

HAMILTON: Go! We won.

COMPANY: Here comes the general!

BURR: This should be fun.

### Washington enters.

WASHINGTON: What is the meaning of this? Mr. Burr? Get a medic for the general.

BURR: Yes, sir.

WASHINGTON: Lee, you will never agree with me, but believe me.

These young men don't speak for me. Thank you for your service.\*

BURR: Let's ride!

WASHINGTON: Hamilton!

HAMILTON: Sir!

WASHINGTON: Meet me inside.

COMPANY: Meet 'im inside! Meet 'im inside! Meet 'im inside, meet 'im meet 'im inside! <sup>3</sup>

Washington & Hamilton, alone.

WASHINGTON: Son-4

HAMILTON: Don't call me son.

HAMILTON, BURR: Fire!

WASHINGTON: This war is hard enough without infighting—

HAMILTON: Lee called you out. We called his bluff.

WASHINGTON: You solve nothing, you aggravate our allies to the south.

HAMILTON: You're absolutely right. John should have shot him in the mouth. That would've shut him up.

WASHINGTON: Son-

HAMILTON: I'm notcha son-

WASHINGTON: Watch your tone.

I am not a maiden in need of defending,
I am grown.

HAMILTON (OVERLAPPING): Charles Lee, Thomas Conway. These men take your name and they rake it through the mud.

WASHINGTON: My name's been through a lot I can take it.

HAMILTON: Well, I don't have your name.

I don't have your titles.
I don't have your land.
But, if you—

WASHINGTON: No-

HAMILTON: If you gave me command of a battalion. A group of men to lead, I could fly above my station after the war. WASHINGTON: Or you could die and we need you alive.

HAMILTON: I'm more than willing to die-

WASHINGTON: Your wife needs you alive, son, I need you alive—

Washington reaches out to Hamilton.

HAMILTON: Call me son one more time—5



### Hamilton freezes, aware of the line he has crossed.

WASHINGTON: Go home, Alexander. That's an order from your commander.

HAMILTON: Sir-



# THAT WOULD BE ENOUGH'

Hamilton goes home. Elina enters. She is visibly pregnant.

ELIZA: Look around, look around, at how lucky we are to be alive right now. Look around, look around...

HAMILTON: How long have you known?

ELIZA: A month or so.

HAMILTON: Eliza, you should have told me.

ELIZA: I wrote to the general a month ago.

HAMILTON: No.

ELIZA: I begged him to send you home.

HAMILTON: You should have told me.

ELIZA: I'm not sorry.

I knew you'd fight

until the war was won.

HAMILTON: The war's not

But you deserve a chance to meet Your son. Look around, look around, at how lucky we are to be alive right now.

HAMILTON: Will you relish being a poor man's wife? Unable to provide for your life. RLIZA: I relish being your wife. Look around, look around . . .

Look at where you are.

Look at where you started.

The fact that you're alive is a miracle.

Just stay alive, that would be enough.

And if this child Shares a fraction of your smile Or a fragment of your mind, look out, world! That would be enough.

I don't pretend to know
The challenges you're facing.
The worlds you keep erasing and creating in
your mind.

But I'm not afraid.

I know who I married.

So long as you come home at the end of the day

That would be enough.

We don't need a legacy.

We don't need money.

If I could grant you peace of mind \*

If you could let me inside your heart
Oh, let me be a part of the narrative
In the story they will write someday.
Let this moment be the first chapter
Where you decide to stay
And I could be enough
And we could be enough
That would be enough.

Hamilton hisses Eliza's hand.



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# HISTORT HAS ITS ETES ON TOU



WASHINGTON: I was younger than you are now When I was given my first command. I led my men straight into a massacre.

I witnessed their deaths firsthand. I made every mistake, And felt the shame rise in me, And even now I lie awake,

WASHINGTON: LAURENS,
Knowing history has MULLIGAN:
its eyes Whoa, whoa, whoa

On me. Whoa . . . Whoa . . . Yeah.

HAMILTON, WASHINGTON:

History has its COMPANY:
Eyes on Whoa, whoa, whoa
Me. Whoa . . . .

Whoa . . . Yeah. WASHINGTON: Let me tell you what I wish I'd known

When I was young and dreamed of glory. You have no control.

WASHINGTON, COMPANY: Who lives, who dies, who tells your story.

WASHINGTON: I know that we can win. I know that greatness lies in you. But remember from here on in,

WASHINGTON, HAMILTON, MEN: History has its

Eyes on you.

ENSEMBLE: Whoa, whoa, whoa

Whoa ...

COMPANY: History has its eyes on you.

### TORKTOWN

### (THE WORLD TURNED UPSIDE DOWN)

COMPANY: The Battle of Yorktown. Seventeen eighty-one.

Hamilton & Lafayette enter and embrace.

LAFAYETTE: Monsieur Hamilton.

HAMILTON: Monsieur Lafayette.

LAFAYETTE: In command where you belong.

HAMILTON: How you say, no sweat.

We're finally on the field. We've had quite a run.

LAFAYETTE: Immigrants:

HAMILTON, LAFAYETTE: We get the job done.

They high-five.

HAMILTON: So what happens if we win?

LAFAYETTE: I go back to France, I bring freedom to my people if I'm given the chance.

HAMILTON: We'll be with you when you do.

LAFAYETTE: Go lead your men.

HAMILTON: I'll see you on the other side.

LAFAYETTE: "Til we meet again, let's go!

ENSEMBLE: I am not throwin' away my shot! I am not throwin' away my shot! Hey yo, I'm just like my country, I'm young, scrappy and hungry And I'm not throwin' away my shot! I am not throwin' away my shot!

HAMILTON: "Til the world turns upside down . . .

ENSEMBLE: "Til the world turns upside down!

HAMILTON: I imagine death so much it feels more like a memory.

This is where it gets me:

On my feet,

The enemy ahead of me.

If this is the end of me, at least I have a friend with me.

Weapon in my hand, a command, and my men with me.

Then I remember my Eliza's expecting me...

Not only that, my Eliza's expecting,

We gotta go, gotta get the job done,

Gotta start a new nation, gotta meet my son!

Take the bullets out your gun! 5

ENSEMBLE: What?

HAMILTON: The bullets out your gun!

ENSEMBLE: What?

HAMILTON: We move under cover and we move as one

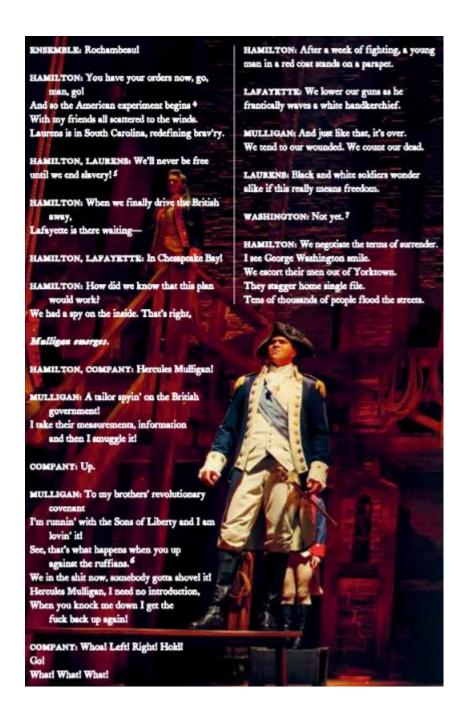
Through the night, we have one shot to live another day.

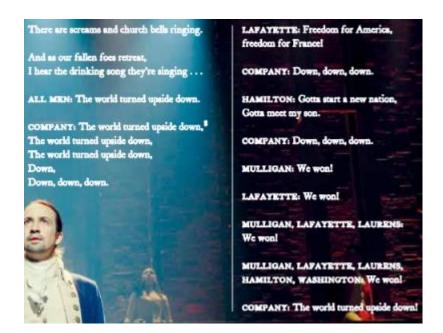
We cannot let a stray gunshot give us away.

We will fight up close, seize the moment and
stay in it.

It's either that or meet the business end of a bayonet.

The code word is "Rochambeau," dig me?







## DEAR THEODOSIA'

Aaren Burr enters.

BURR: Dear Theodosia, what to say to you? You have my eyes. You have your mother's name.

When you came into the world, you cried and it broke my heart.

I'm dedicating every day to you. Domestic life, was never quite my style. When you smile, you knock me out, I fall spart. And I thought I was so smart.

You will come of age with our young nation.

We'll bleed and fight for you, we'll make it right for you.

If we ky a strong enough foundation We'll pass it on to you, we'll give the world to you, and you'll blow us all away . . . someday, someday. Yeah, you'll blow us all away, someday, someday.

Hamilton enters.

HAMILTON: Oh Philip, when you smile I sm undone.

My son.

Look at my son. Pride is not the word I'm looking for.

There is so much more inside me now.

Oh Philip, you outshine the morning sun. My son.

When you smile, I fall apart. And I thought I was so smart. My father wasn't around.

BURR: My father wasn't around.

HAMILTONS

I'll be around for you. I'll be around for you.

HAMILTON: I'll do whatever it takes.

BURR: I'll make a million mistakes.

BURR, HAMILTON: I'll make the world safe and sound for you . . . Will come of age with our young nation.

We'll bleed and fight for you, we'll make it right

If we lay a strong enough foundation <sup>5</sup>
We'll pass it on to you, we'll give the world to
you, and you'll blow us all away... someday, someday. Yeah, you'll blow us all away,

someday, someday.

## NON-STOP

BURR: After the war I went back to New York.

HAMILTON: A-after the war I went back to New York.

BURR: I finished up my studies and I practiced law.

HAMILTON: I practiced law, Burr worked next door.1

BURR: Even though we started at the very same time.

Alexander Hamilton began to climb.

BURR:

How to account for his rise to the top?

Maaaaan, the man is ENSEMBLE: Non-stop! non-stop.

HAMILTON: Gentlemen of the jury, I'm curious, bear with me.

Are you aware that we're making hist'ry? This is the first murder trial of our brand-new nation.

HAMILTON

The liberty behind deliberation-

BURR, ENSEMBLE: Non-stop!

HAMILTON: I intend to prove beyond a shadow of a doubt

With my assistant council-

BURR: Co-council.

Hamilton, sit down.

Our client Levi Weeks is innocent. Call your first witness.

That was all you had to say!

HAMILTON: Okay!

One more thing-

BURR: Why do you assume you're the smartest in the room?

Why do you assume you're the smartest in the room?

Why do you assume you're the smartest in the room? 3

Soon that attitude May be your doom!

ENSEMBLE: Awwww!

BURR: Why do you write like you're Write day and night like you're running out of time?

ENSEMBLE: Why do you write like you're running out of time? \* running out of time?

Ev'ry day you fight, like you're running out of time.

Ev'ry day you fight, like you're running out of time.

Keep on fighting. In the meantime-

Non-stop!

HAMILTON: Corruption's such an old song that we can sing along in harmony 5 And nowhere is it stronger than in Albany. This colony's economy's increasingly stalling and

HAMILTON:

BURR, ENSEMBLE:

Honestly that's why He's just public service seems to Non-stop! be calling me

HAMILTON: I practiced the law, I practic'lly perfected it.

I've seen injustice in the world and I've corrected it.

Now for a strong central democracy, If not then I'll be Socrates

HAMILTON: Throwing verbal rocks at these

mediocrities. ENSEMBLE: Awww!

BURR: Hamilton, at the Constitutional Convention

HAMILTON: I was chosen for the Constitutional Convention.

BURR: There as a New York junior delegate:

HAMILTON:

Now what I'm going

to say may sound COMPANY: indelicate . . . Awwww!

BURR:

Goes and proposes

his own form of government!

government! What? His own plan

for a new form of

government! What?

BURR: Talks for six hours! The convention is listless! 6

ENSEMBLE MAN: Bright young man . . .

ANOTHER ENSEMBLE MAN: Yo, who the eff is this?

BURR:

Why do you always

Say what you believe? COMPANY:
Why do you always
Say what you believe? Say what you believe?

Ev'ry proclamation guarantees

Free ammunition for your enemies! Awww!

BURR, MEN: Why do

you write like it's WOMEN:

Going out of style? Going out of style, hey!

Write day and night

like it's

Going out of style? Going out of style, hey!

BURR, COMPANY: Ev'ry day you fight like it's going out of style.

Do what you do.

Hamilton at Burr's doorstep.

BURR: Alexander?

HAMILTON: Aaron Burr, sir.

BURR: It's the middle of the night. 7

HAMILTON: Can we confer, sir?

BURR: Is this a legal matter?

HAMILTON: Yes, and it's important to me.

BURR: What do you need?

HAMILTON: Burr, you're a better lawyer than me.

BURR: Okay.

HAMILTON: I know I talk too much,

I'm abrasive.

You're incredible in court. You're succinct,

persuasive.

My client needs a strong defense.

You're the solution.

BURR: Who's your client?

HAMILTON: The new U.S. Constitution?

BURR: No.

HAMILTON: Hear me out.

BURR: No way!

HAMILTON: A series of essays, anonymously published

Defending the document to the public.

BURR: No one will read it.

HAMILTON: I disagree.

BURR: And if it fails?

HAMILTON: Burr, that's why we need it.

BURR: The Constitution's a mess.

HAMILTON: So it needs amendments.

BURR: It's full of contradictions.

HAMILTON: So is independence. We have to start somewhere.

BURR: No. No way.

HAMILTON: You're making a mistake.

BURR: Good night.

HAMILTON: 8 Hey. What are you waiting for? What do you stall for?

BURR: What?

HAMILTON: We won the war.

What was it all for?

Do you support this Constitution?

BURR: Of course.

HAMILTON: Then defend it.

BURR: And what if you're backing the wrong horse?

HAMILTON: Burr, we studied and we fought and we killed

For the notion of a nation we now get to build. For once in your life, take a stand with pride. I don't understand how you stand to the side.

BURR: I'll

keep all my

plans close to

ENSEMBLE: my chest. Wait for it, wait for it,

wait . . .

I'll wait here and see

will blow

I'm taking my time, I'm taking my time,

watching the after- watching the afterbirth

birth of a nation

which way the wind Which way the wind

will blow.

of a nation

Watching the tension Watching the tension

grow.

Angelica enters, arm in arm with Hamilton.

ANGELICA: I am sailing off to London.9 I'm accompanied by someone

Who always pays

I have found a wealthy husband who will keep me in comfort for all my days.

He is not a lot of fun, but there's no one who can match you for turn of phrase.

My Alexander.

HAMILTON: Angelica.

ANGELICA: Don't forget to write.

ELIZA: Look at where you are. Look at where you started. The fact that you're alive is a miracle. Just stay alive, that would be enough.

And if your wife could share a fraction of

If I could grant you peace of mind Would that be enough?

BURR: Alexander joins forces with James Madison and John Jay to write a series of essays defending the new United States Constitution, entitled The Federalist Papers. 10

The plan was to write a total of 25 essays, the work divided evenly among the three men. In the end, they wrote 85 essays, in the span of six months. John Jay got sick after writing 5. James Madison wrote 29. Hamilton wrote the other 51.

### BURR:

How do you write

Like you're

WOMEN-

Running out of time? Running out of time?

Write day and night

Like you're

Running out of time? Running out of time?

Running out of time?

BURR, MEN: Ev'ry

day you fight,

Like you're

Running out of time

Like you're

Running out of time, Running out of time?

Are you

Running out of time? Awwww!

COMPANY: How do you write like tomorrow won't arrive? 11

How do you write like you need it to survive? How do you write ev'ry second you're alive? Ev'ry second you're alive ev'ry second you're alive.

WASHINGTON: They are asking me to lead. I am doing the best I can To get the people that I need, I'm asking you to be my right hand man.

HAMILTON: Treasury or State?

WASHINGTON: I know it's a lot to ask,

HAMILTON: Treasury or State?

WASHINGTON: To leave behind the world you know . . .

HAMILTON: Sir, do you want me to run the Treasury or State department?

WASHINGTON: Treasury.

HAMILTON: Let's go.

ELIZA: Alexander . . .

HAMILTON: I have to leave.

ELIZA: Alexander-

HAMILTON: Look around, look around at how lucky we are to be alive right now.

ELIZA: Helpless . . .

HAMILTON: They are asking me to lead. 15 ELIZA: Look around, isn't this enough? 15



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### CLASSIFICATION OF PHRASEOLOGICAL UNITS IN THE MUSICAL 'HAMILTON'

### Summary and keywords

This paper deals with the classification of phraseological units that can be found in the musical Hamilton. For the purpose of this paper, the songs from Act I, 23 songs in total, have been analysed. As presumed, a large number of phraseological units were found in the lyrics of the songs which was written in R'n'B and hip-hop style. All of the PUs were extracted and then classified according to Sabine Fiedler's classification, which she proposed in her book called *English Phraseology: A Coursebook*. As for defining the meaning of PUs, several Internet sources were used and referenced, since they were the most convenient option.

Keywords: phraseological unit, idiom, Hamilton, musical, classification of phraseological units

### KLASIFIKACIJA FRAZEOLOŠKIH JEDINICA U MJUZIKLU HAMILTON

### Sažetak i ključne riječi

Ovaj rad se bavi klasifikacijom frazeoloških jedinica koje se mogu naći unutar mjuzikla *Hamilton*. U svrhu ovog rada analizirane su pjesme iz prvog čina, sveukupno njih 23. Kao što je i pretpostavljeno, nađen je velik broj frazeoloških jedinica u riječima pjesama koje su napisane u R'n'B i hip-hop stilu glazbe. Sve frazeološke jedinice su izvučene, a zatim i kategorizirane prema klasifikaciji Sabine Fiedler koju je predložila u svojoj knjizi *English Phraseology: A Coursebook*. Što se tiče defininiranja značenja frazeoloških jedinica, korišteno je nekoliko različitnih internetskih s obzirom da činjenicu da su oni u ovom slučaju bili najpogodniji izbor.

Ključne riječi: frazeološka jedinica, idiom, Hamilton, mjuzikl, klasifikacija frazeoloških jedinica