## Act 1 scene 1

Enter Pandarus and Troilus.

Troy. Call here my varlet, I'll unarm again, Why should I war without the walls of Troy: That find such cruel battle here within? Each Trojan that is master of his heart, Let him to field, *Troilus* alas, hath none. [40]

Pan. Will this gear ne'er be mended?

Troy. The Greeks are strong and skillful to their strength
Fierce to their skill, and to their fierceness valiant,
But I am weaker then a woman's tear;
Tamer then sleep; fonder then ignorance,
Less valiant then the virgin in the night,
And skilless as unpractised infancy:

Pan. Well, I have told you enough of this; for my part I'll not meddle nor make no farther; he that will have a cake out of the wheat must needs tarry the grinding.

[50]

Trov. Have I not tarried?

Pan. Ay the grinding; but you must tarry the bolting.

*Troy.* Have I not tarried?

Pan. Ay the bolting; but you must tarry the leavening.

Troy. Still have I tarried.

*Pan.* Ay, to the leavening, but here's yet in the word hereafter, the kneading, the making of the cake, the heating of the oven, and the baking, nay you must stay the cooling too, or you may chance to burn your lips.

Troy. Patience herself, what goddess e'er she be, Doth lesser blench at sufferance than I do: At *Priam's* royal table do I sit And when fair *Cressid* comes into my thoughts, So traitor, when she comes, when is she thence?

*Pan.* Well she looked yesternight fairer than ever I saw her look, or any woman else.

Troy. I was about to tell thee,

Pan. An her hair were not somewhat darker than Helen's - well go to - there were no more comparison between the women! but for my part she is my kinswoman, I would not as they term it praise her, but I would somebody had heard her talk yesterday as I did; I

Call hi:1 mi va:1let, ai'll vna:1m agen, / Hwai should a war without the walls av Trai: / That faind sach cruel battle hi:1 within? / e:ch Tro:jan that is ma:stel av iz a:1t, / Let im ta fi:ld, Trailus ala:s, ath no:ne.

Will this gi:1 ne:1 bi mended?

The Gre:ks at strong an skillful to that strength / Fi:.tce to that skill, an to that fi:.tcenss valyant, / Bot of am we:ket than a wo:man's ti:.t; / Te:met than sle:p; fonded than ignotance, / Less valyant than the vergin in the noight, / an skilliss as ynpractised infancol:

Well, əiv to:ld yə npf ə this; fəi məi pa:it ə'll npt meddle no:i mɛ:ke no: fa:ithei; he: that əl have ə cɛ:ke əut ə the hwe:t məst ne:ds taiəi the grəindin.

?bietat tan ie ve

əi the grəindin; bət yə məs taiəi the bo:ltin.

ev ei not tareid?

əi the bo:ltin; bət yə məs ta.iəi the levnin.

Still əv ə tarəid.

əi, tə the levnin, bət hi:.ie's yit in the waid hi:.ia:te.i, the kne:din, the mɛ:kin əv the cɛ:ke, the he:tin əv the o:ven, ən the bɛ:kin, nɛ: yə məst stɛ:y the coolin too, o:.i yə mɛy cha:nce to bɛ.in yə.i lips.

PE:sience eiself, hwat goddiss E:i shi be:, / Dəth lessei blench ət syffiance thən əi do: at Praiam's raial te:ble do a sit / an hwen fE:i Cressid cymes into mi tho:ghts, / So: tre:tai, hwen shi cymes, hwen is shi thence?

Well shi looked yisteinəight feilei thən eil ə saw əl look, əl anəi wolman else.

a was about to tell thi.

ən əı hɛ:ı weie nat symewət da:ıkei thən Helen's – well go: to - thəi wəi no: mo:ie cympalison betwe:n the women! bət fəi məi pa:it she is mi kinswo:man, ə would not əz they teim it pre:se əl, but ə would symebədəi will not dispraise your sister Cassandra's wit, but -

Troy. Oh Pandarus I tell thee Pandarus,
When I do tell thee there my hopes lie drowned
Reply not in how many fathoms deep,
They lie indrenched; I tell thee I am mad
In Cressid's love? thou answer'st she is fair,
Pour'st in the open ulcer of my heart:
Her eyes, her hair, her cheek, her gait, her voice;
But saying thus instead of oil and balm,
Thou lay'st in every gash that love hath given me
The knife that made it.

Pan. I speak no more than truth.

Troy. Thou dost not speak so much.

*Pan.* Faith I'll not meddle in it, let her be as she is, if she be fair, 'tis the better for her, and she be not, she has the mends in her own hands.

Troy. Good Pandarus, how now Pandarus?

*Pan.* I have had my labour for my travail, ill thought on of her, and ill thought on of you, gone between and between, but small thanks for my labour.

*Troy.* What art thou angry *Pandarus*? what with me?

*Pan.* Because she's kin to me, therefore she's not so fair as *Helen*, an she were not kin to me, she would be as fair on Friday, as *Helen* is on Sunday, but what care I?

*Troy.* Say I she is not fair?

Pan. I do not care whether you do or no, she's a fool to stay behind her father, let her to the Greeks, and so I'll tell her the next time I see her; for my part I'll meddle nor make no more i'th'matter.

Troy. Pandarus.

Pan. Not I.

Troy. Sweet Pandarus.

Pan. Pray you speak no more to me I will leave all as I found it and there an end.

Exit.

əd hud əl to:lk yıstelde:y əz əl did; ə will not dispre:se yəl sistel Cassandra's wit, byt -

O: Pandarus ə tell thi Pandarus, / hwen əi do tell thi the: ie mi ho: pes ləi drəuned / Repləi not in həu manəi fadoms de:p, / They ləi indrenched; ə tell thi əi am mad / In Cressid's lyve? thəu a: nswe.ist she: is fe: i, / Po: ist in the o:pen ylcei of mi ha:.it: / əi əiyes, əi he: i, əi che: k, əi ge: t, əi vəice; / Bət se: yin thys instead əv əil ən ba: lm, / Thəu le: yst in evrəi gash that lyve əth givn mi / The knəife thət me: de it.

ə spe:k no: mo: Je thən truth.

Thou dost not spe:k so mych.

Fe:th ə'll not meddle int, let ə 1 be as shr is, if shr br fe:1, tis the better fo:1 ə 1, ən shr br not, shr has the mends in ə 1 o:n hands.

Good Pandarus, hau nau Pandarus?

əı əv had mı lɛ:boux fəx mı travəl, ill tho:ght on əv hex, ənd ill tho:ght on əv you, gone betwe:n ən betwe:n, bət small thanks fəx mı lɛ:boux.

Hwat art thou angror Pandarus? hwat with me:?

Becose shi's kin to me:, the: iefo: ie shi's not so fe: i as Helen, an shi we ie not kin to me:, shi would be: oz fe: i on Froide: y, oz Helen is on Synde: y, bot hwat ce: ie oi?

Se:y ər shr is not fe:r?

ə do npt ce:1e hwe:1 yə do ə1 no:, she:'s a fol tə ste:y bihəind ə1 fæthe1, let ə1 tə the Gre:ks, ən so: ə'll tell ə1 the nex təime ə se: ə1; fə1 mə1 pa:1t ə'll meddle no:1 me:ke no: mo:1e ith matte1.

Pandarus.

Not al.

Swe:t Pandarus.

Pre:y yə spe:k no: mo:ne tə mi ə will le:ve all as ə fəund it ən the:ne an end.

Sound alarum.

*Troy.* Peace you ungracious clamors, peace rude sounds,

Fools on both sides, *Helen* must needs be fair, When with your blood you daily paint her thus, I cannot fight upon this argument: It is too starved a subject for my sword, But *Pandarus*: O gods! how do you plague me I cannot come to *Cressid* but by *Pandar*, And he's as tetchy to be wooed to woo, [130] As she is stubborn-chaste, against all suit. Tell me *Apollo* for thy *Daphne's* love, What *Cressid* is, what *Pandar*, and what we: Her bed is *India* there she lies, a pearl, Between our Ilium, and where she resides Let it be called the wild and wandering flood: Ourself the merchant, and this sailing *Pandar*, Our doubtful hope, our convoy and our bark.

Pe:ce y vngre:sious clamou.is, pe:ce rude saunds, / Fuls on bo:th saides, Helen must ne:ds bi fe:1, / hwen with you blyd yo de:loi pe:nt at thys, / a cannot faight upon this a: .igiment : / It is too sta: .ived a sybjict fo: .i mi swo:.id, / But Pandarus : O: gpds! həu do yə ple:gue mi / a cannot cyme ta Cressid byt bi Pandaı, / ənd he:'s as tetchəi tə be wooed tə woo, / As she: is stybbo.in-chast, agenst all syuit. / Tell me: Appllo: fo: 1 that Daphne: 's Ivve, / Hwat Cressid is, hwat Panda., and hwat we: / He s bed is Indya the: se shi ləis, a peal, / Betwe:n əua Ilyum, and hwe:ae she: risəides / Let it bi called the world an wanderin flyd:/ əusself the meschant, ən this se:lin Pandaı, / əuɪ dəubtful ho:pe, əuɪ convəi and əui ba:ik.

Alarum, Enter Aeneas.

Aene. How now Prince *Troilus*, wherefore not afield. [140]

*Troy.* Because not there; this woman's answer sorts, For womanish it is to be from thence. What news *Aeneas* from the field today?

Aene. That Paris is returned home and hurt.

Troy. By whom Aeneas?

Aene. Troilus, by Menelaus.

Troy. Let Paris bleed, tis but a scar to scorn, Paris is gored with Menelaus' horn.

Alarum.

Aene. Hark what good sport is out of town today. [150]

*Troy.* Better at home, if "would I might" were "may:" But to the sport abroad; are you bound thither?

Aene. In all swift haste.

Troy.

Come go we then together.

Hau nau Prince Trailus, hwe: iefo: ie npt afe: ld.

Becose not the: Je; this wo:man's a:nswel so: Jts, / Fol wo:manish it is to be: from thence. / Hwat news Aene: as from the fe:ld tode: y?

That Paris is retrained ho:me and heat.

Bar whom Aene:as?

Trailus, bai Menele:us.

Let Paris ble:d, tis byt a sca: I tə sco: In, / Paris is go: Ied with Menel E: Us ho: In.

Ha: Ik hwat good spo: It is out ov toun tode: y.

Betten at ho:me, if "would on monght" were "me:y": / But to the spoint abroid; one you bound thron?

In all swift hast.

Cyme go: wi then togiəi.

Exeunt.