

In *The Independent* newspaper in Britain, at the height of the Murdoch hacking scandal, appeared this delicious insight into the flavour of Yiddish:

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<http://www.independent.co.uk/opinion/commentators/matthew-norman/matthew-norman-boris-johnson-embodies-the-amorality-of-the-passing-age-2317073.html>

On Saturday night the talk turned, as it often does when Jews mingle with goyim, to Yiddish; and specifically to that glorious bastard tongue's most seemly words for the stars of the present melodrama. It was agreed that Andy Hayman is a *shtick fleisch mit oigen* (imbecile; literally, a lump of meat with eyes), James Murdoch a nebbish (sad loser), his father a schvuntz (there you must rely on innate feel for onomatopoeia), and Ms Brooks a rosher (dead naughty). But what precisely, someone a touch tangentially asked, is chutzpah? Well, replied one of the chosen yanking out a time-honoured classic, you've heard about the man newly convicted of murdering his parents who begs the court for the clemency due an orphan?