

RECEIPT OF VOCAL TRANSACTIONS

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Almost all purchase receipts include the name or ID of the cashier or server. Given the often purely transactional nature of these interactions, I scan my receipts for this bit of information.








Over 7 days I collected the receipt and recorded a phrase from each transaction. They ranged from interesting to banal and from humorous to jarring.

Within each purchase category, the names and phrases are ordered chronologically. Out of context, the phrases capture the disconnect between the human yet at times impersonal nature of such transactions.

KEY TO ICONS

-  server
-  cashier
-  bartender
-  driver
-  machine










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|  | Delivery S | Chicken or tofu? |
|  | Zoe | What do you like to order? |
|  | Konstantinos | Here you go. |
|  | DJ | I grew up near apple orchards. |
|  | Joshua B | New Yorkers are not happy. |
|  | Cecilia | My dress is from boohoo.com. |
|  | --- | No bacon? |





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|  | Anastasia | Where is Anastasia?! |
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|  | Mana Card | \$5 minimum! |
|  | Zeenat | Hold on a sec. |
|  | W, Everton | Do I look like a Jeffrey? |
|  | B., Ieisha | Oh no! |
|  | Aysha | I don't know. Ask Milton. |
|  | Mana Card | I'm a yoga teacher. |
|  | Mana Card | OK. |



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|  | Igor | Do you want a bag? |
|  | #0000066 | I'll get you your receipt. |






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|  | Konstantinos | You can have many copies. |
|  | Nevada | I don't drink. Just... |
|  | Julio | What? |






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|  | #48650212 | Next! |
|  | Natasha | Do you have an ExtraCare card? |



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|  | Natasha | Insert for chip. |
|  | Shaala | Would you like a bag? A straw? |
|  | Mingmar | Next! Anybody? |



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|  | MVM#: 0975 | Touch start to begin |
|  | MVM#: 0400 | Insert your MetroCard |
|  | MED# 4E88 | Have a good night. |