

Woke Up This Morning 1

FADE IN.

The scene is a hospital ward. There are two rows of three beds. Down one side lay AARON, STEVE and MIKE. Down the other lie CHARLIE, DAVE and BILL. All are elderly except Steve. The blinds are closed. It is early morning, and the lights are on.

SARAH

Come on, Mr Smith, it's time to wake up.

STEVE

Good grief, what time is it?

MIKE

What?

STEVE
(shouting)

I said what's the time?

AARON

I don't have the Times, I have the Sun.

BILL

You haven't got a son, you've got two daughters.

DAVE

Perhaps he means the Radio Times

CHARLIE

I've got a son, he's called Jeremy.

AARON

Does he know what time it
is?

CHARLIE

I think so, he's got a nice
watch.

DAVE

I read the Daily Telegraph

BILL

Margaret Thatcher

STEVE

What?

BILL

She reads the Daily
Telegraph

AARON

My daughter reads the Daily
Telegraph

DAVE

Your daughter's Margaret
Thatcher?!

AARON

No, but she does know what
time it is.

CHARLIE

Has she got a nice watch?

NORBERT

How are your ears this
morning, Mr Mycock?

MIKE

What?

NORBERT

I said, "HOW ARE YOUR EARS
THIS MORNING?"

AARON

WHAT?

NORBERT
(*shouting*)

I SAID "HOW... oh, forget it.
Sarah, pass the syringe.

STEVE

Is it like this every
morning?

SARAH

'fraid so.

FADE OUT.