THE THINKING BOOK. 10 STAVO PENSANDO

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| Once it was morning | ıg |

like today and you said

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Good Morning

but I didn't say anything

because

I was thinking

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Una volta era giorno

Come adesso

E tu hai detto

Buongiorno

Ma io non ho detto nulla

Perché

Stavo pensando

2.

Time-to-get-up-right-now

and I didn't say anything

because

I was thinking

because

I was thinking

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Ora di alzarsi, subito!

E io non ho detto nulla

Perché

Stavo pensando

Perché

Stavo pensando

3.

Put on that shirt, the yellow one

thinking

I was thinking

of all the pieces of dust that float

and shine

in the sunshine

and I was thinking of lemons and limes and

oranges

and yellows

3.

Mettiti la camicia, quella gialla

Pensando pensando

Ma io stavo pensando

A quella bella polvere che balla

E brilla

Dentro la luce gialla

E poi stavo pensando

A limoni, banane, arance e mandarini

E tutti i gialli

4. 4. I was thinking of watermelons E poi pensavo angurie I was thinking of pinks Pensavo ai rossi e ai rosa I was thinking Stavo pensando 5. 5. Now wash - both hands and wash Ora lavati le mani, tutte e due, e bene! them clean! E io stavo pensando I was thinking Stavo pensando sul lavare bene I was thinking of washing clean Stavo pensando all'acqua A secchiate, a ruscellate, a vasche piene I was thinking of water in pails in pools streams E a cose fredde come **le** pietre lisce E a tutte le conchiglie e le campane e le fontane And cool things like smooth peebles and all the shells and the bells and the wells E pensavo alle onde Alle gemme nelle grotte profonde I was thinking of waves and jewels in the caves Stavo pensando all'azzurro e al verde I was thinking of blue and of green Pensavo a un giardino I was thinking of a garden and a pond and E a uno stagno con dentro il pesciolino thinking of a little fish I've never seen Che non ho visto mai I was thinking Stavo pensando 6. 6. Overalls - put the overalls now E soprattutto mettiti la maglia I was thinking E io stavo pensando I was thinking of all the things Stavo pensando a tutto under and over and all Alle cose soprattutto e sotto tutto flip and flop Sopra e sotto

snip and snap

the way kites fly

like white kites in the sky

and I was thinking of being up high

I was thinking of you throwing me and me catching me

I was thinking of swinging at the end of a string and never falling down

I was thinking about my skates and my skate key

I was thinking about me

I was thinking

Io e tu

Aquiloni nel cielo blu

Io pensavo a me lassù

A te che mi buttavi e a me che mi tenevo

Pensavo a penzolare alla fine di una fune

E mai cadere giù

Pensavo anche ai miei pattini

E alla chiave per stringerli

Stavo pensando a me

Stavo pensando

7.

And sweater – it's time to put on a sweater

I was thinking

I was thinking on hands and feet and arms and legs

If arms were legs and leggings were armings I'd walk around with my head in the ground and not have to wear any clothes on my toes I was thinking

Time to put on the socks and shoes

And things that are different and things that are the same

Like heats and caps and thumbs and fingers and mittens and gloves

I was thinking of stockings and socks and locks and blocks and laces

8.

and nicefaces and funnyfaces and nastyfaces and specialfaces

I was thinking of different faces in different places

I was thinking of trips

I was thinking of going faraway in ships

I was thinking

7.

E il maglione, ora mettiti il maglione

Ma io stavo pensando

Pensavo a mani e piedi e braccia e gambe

Pensavo che se il braccio fosse in gamba

E se la gamba fosse in braccio

Camminerei a testa in giù e piedi in su

Coi piedi nudi senza più scarpe né calze

Stavo pensando

Ora metti calze e scarpe

Pensavo a cose diverse e cose uguali Come cappelli e berretti, occhi e occhiali

E manopole e guantini

E pantofole e calzini

E maglie e maglioni e calze e calzoni

E scarpe e stringhe e slaccia e riallaccia

8.

E bella faccia, brutta faccia, buffa faccia

Stavo pensando a facce strane in terre lontane

Stavo pensando a viaggi in terre nuove

A partire con la nave chissà dove

Io stavo pensando

9.

Socks, shoes – put on shoes and socks

I was thinking

I was thinking of moons and balloons

I was thinking of wheels

I was thinking of eels and seals

9.

Calze e scarpe – mettiti calze e scarpe

Io stavo pensando

Stavo pensando a lune e palloni

A palloni e poi a ruote

A palloni e poi a foche

Coi palloni sopra il naso

| 10. | 10. |
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| I was thinking of peacocks and pelicans, I was | Stavo pensando a cigni, pavoni e pellicani |
| thinking of a swan | Oche dal becco giallo |
| I was thinking of huge gold and silver elephants | Grandissimi elefanti, tutti d'argento e d'oro |
| for me to ride on | Da montarci a cavallo |
| | |
| 11. | 11. |
| I was thinking of zebras and giraffes and wildcats and bears | Pensavo alla giraffa, alla zebra bianco e nero |
| I was thinking of lions and tigers to eat you up | Alla tigre, al leone che ti mangia tutto intero |
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| 12. | 12. |
| I was thinking of a whole enormous circus | Stavo pensando a tutto un circo grande grande |
| 13. | 13. |
| Shoes and socks! | Calze e scarpe! |
| Hurry and scurry! | Muoviti, presto! |
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| But I was slow as a pudding to bake | Io invece andavo lento |
| But I was slow as a pudding to bake as a turtle half-awake | Io invece andavo lento Come una torta che cuoce nella teglia |
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| as a turtle half-awake | Come una torta che cuoce nella teglia |
| as a turtle half-awake as a peach in the sun | Come una torta che cuoce nella teglia Come una tartaruga mezzo sveglia |
| as a turtle half-awake as a peach in the sun as a snail going to run as a hanful of honey as jokes that aren't funny as nothing to play and nothing to say on a rainy | Come una torta che cuoce nella teglia Come una tartaruga mezzo sveglia Come una lumacona |
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| 15. | 15. |
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| And I was thinking I love you as much as a peanuts-butter jelly sandwich | Stavo pensando che io ti voglio bene come una torta di crema e cioccolato |
| all the way up tu the ceiling and a whole chocolate cake | Con sopra panna fragola alta fino al soffitto |
| And I was thinking that I love you more then all the fire engines And all the steam shovels and all the dump-tracks in th whole world I was thinking | E stavo pensando che ti voglio bene più che alle macchinine dei pompieri E più che a tutte le ruspe e tutti i camion di tutto il mondo Stavo pensando |
| 16. | 16. |
| That's why I could'nt put my socks on | Ecco perché non ho potuto mettere le calze |
| That's why I could'nt put my shoes on | Ecco perché non ho potuto mettere le scarpe |
| That's why I could'nt lace them up | Ecco perché non potuto fare i nodi |