

Vampire Weekend
Step

Direct reference to hip-hop band
Souls of chief's
"Step To My Girl":

Every time I see you in the world, you always
step to my girl

again ref. to Souls of chief's
"Step To My Girl"

Every time I see you in the world
You always step my girl
But ask yourself homeboy
- Why is that?

Back back way back I used to front like
Angkor Wat

Cambodia

Mechanicsburg Anchorage and Dar es Salaam
Pennsylvania Alaska Tanzania

While home in New York was champagne and disco
Tapes from L.A. slash San Francisco
But actually Oakland and not Alameda
Your girl was in Berkeley with her Communist
reader

Mine was entombed within boombox and walkman
I was a hoarder but girl that was back then

Ezra Koenig worked as an intern
at The Walkmen's recording
studio in Harlem

Interesting fact of the day:
The rulebooks of the NHL and
other professional leagues
contain specific rules for fighting.
These rules state that at the
initiation of a fight, both players
must drop their sticks so as not
to use them as a weapon. Play-
ers must also "drop" or shake off
their protective gloves to fight
bare-knuckled

The gloves are off, the wisdom teeth are out
What you on about?

Average person got his wisdom
teeth between 16 and 25 but
there are exceptions

I feel it in my bones, I feel it in my bones
I'm stronger now, I'm ready for the house
Such a modest mouse, I can't do it alone, I
can't do it alone

"Ready for the House" is a record
by Jandek. Im not sure there
is an connection, but Jandek is
such a wierd yet interesting per-
son totally worth mentioning.

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Modest Mouse...
"It's kind of like a conversation
between two people and rather
than somebody saying, "Oh,
you're talking yourself up" or
"You're being immodest," they
would say it in a referency way
and call somebody a modest
mouse, perhaps sarcastically. It's
referency because of the band
and because the band's name
is a reference too. It's certainly
no kind of a commentary or
reference to their music, but it's
just the idea of somebody calling
a modest mouse."
- Ezra Koenig

Reference to "Girlfriend is Better"
by the Talking Heads
The last king of Lydia, Croesus

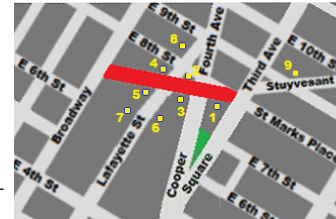
Ancestors told me that their girl was better
She's richer than Croesus, she's tougher than
leather

I just ignore all the tales of her past life
Stale conversation deserves but a bread knife
And punks who would laugh when they saw us to-
gether

Well, they didn't know how to dress for the
weather

I can still see them there huddled on Astor
Snow falling slow to the sound of the master

Astor Center



Wisdom's a gift, but you'd trade it for youth
Age is an honor, it's still not the truth
We saw the stars when they hid from the world
You cursed the sun when it stepped to your girl
Maybe she's gone and I can't resurrect her
The truth is she doesn't need me to protect her
We know the true death, the true way of all
flesh

The Way of All Flesh is a novel by
Samuel Butler

Everyone's dying, but girl, you're not old yet

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