

### 3. JEAN/NARRATOR ~~ MEN'S ENSEMBLE

This is the big show-down between Ralphie and the bullies. Jean's vocal energy matches Ralphie's physical energy as he clobbers Scut Farkus. This speech is about mid-point of the fight, so should end on a note of high emotional energy.

JEAN: Ah, the venomous vipers of the jungle appear once again.  
But sometimes in this wild wilderness, there emerges a small red demon, a beady-eyed carnivore, an insane little beast that, on rare occasion, inhabits us all. And on that day, at that moment, the demon not only inhabited me, it consumed me. It possessed me. I threw myself at the tormentor with a strength I'd never known. By now, I was beyond profanity. I was speaking in tongues!