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VIZZINI
MAN IN BLACK

VIZZINI (CONT'D)

So, you could have put the poison in your own goblet, trusting on your strength to save you. So I can clearly not choose the wine in front of you. But, you've also bested my Spaniard which means you must have studied. And in studying, you must have learned that man is mortal so you would have put the poison as far from yourself as possible, so I can clearly not choose the wine in front of me.

As Vizzini's pleasure has been growing throughout, the Man In Black's has been fast disappearing.

MAN IN BLACK

You're trying to trick me into giving away something. It won't work.

VIZZINI

It has worked -- you've given everything away -- I know where the poison is. And I choose...

Suddenly he stops, pointing to something behind the man in black.

VIZZINI (CONT'D)

What in the world can that be.

The Man In Black turns, looking. Vizzini swiftly switches the goblets.

MAN IN BLACK

What? I don't see anything.

VIZZINI

Oh, well, I-I could have sworn I saw something. No matter. Let's drink -- me from my glass, and you from yours.

And he picks up his goblet. The Man In Black picks up the one in front of him. As they both start to drink, Vizzini hesitates a moment. Then, allowing the Man In Black to drink first, he swallows his wine.

MAN IN BLACK

You guessed wrong.

VIZZINI

(roaring with laughter)

You only think I guessed wrong --
that's what's so funny! I switched
glasses when your back was turned.
You fool.

The Man in Black sits. There's nothing he can say.

VIZZINI (CONT'D)

You fell victim to one of the
classic blunders. The most famous
is "Never get involved in a land
war in Asia." But only slightly
less well known is this: "Never go
in against a Sicilian when death is
on the line."

He laughs and roars and is in all ways quite cheery until he
falls over dead.