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FOREWORD

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Introduction

In a world in which multiculturalism and multilingualism pervade almost every layer of society, as cross-cultural encounters constantly increase through migration, tourism and intensified globalization, much attention has been recently focused on exploring how a language shapes its speakers' identity in multicultural and multilingual contexts of interactions (cf. Bathia, Ritchie 2004, 2013; Edwards 2012; Siemund, Gogolin, Schulz, Davydova 2013). These are increasingly represented in contemporary European and American intercultural films (cf. Bleichenbacher 2008; Kelly-Holmes, Milani 2013), portraying European and American multicultural contexts where linguistic variation and linguistic choices appear to be affected by both deliberate and unconscious allegiance to community-specific behavioural, cultural and social norms, and language alternation practices stand out as key linguistic procedures. In particular, code-switching, be it turn-specific, intersentential or intrasentential, is frequently realized both as a cross-linguistic conversational strategy, when speakers of different nationalities and with different mother tongues come into contact in multiethnic environments, and as an act of selfidentification when members of immigrant families and communities interact, thus showing how sociohistorical context is strictly tied to the use of language in social interaction (Bucholtz, Hall 2005). Furthermore, in the multicultural settings portrayed in European and American polyglot films, the characters' multilingual speech patterns also serve as tropes for the clash between European/American and non-European/American worlds as well as as tools both to negotiate otherness and to create a common ground in which otherness can be embraced.

The fact that, nowadays, most film industries explore social changes and the concerns these give rise to in reshaping contemporary societies, casting a special light on the peculiar linguistic practices globalization and the global phenomenon of immigration entail, ties issues of multilingualism and language variation on the screen to the field of audiovisual translation (cf. Corrius, Zabalbeascoa 2011; Şerban 2012; Minutella 2012; Zabalbeascoa, Voellmer 2014; de Higes Andino 2014). Intended as a transcoding process focused not merely on language transfer but also, and primarily, on cross-cultural transfer (Snell-Hornby 1995), audiovisual translation plays a unique role in defining sociocultural as well as linguistic identities within the ever-changing process of worldwide intercultural communication. This leads the translation of multilingual

films and, in particular, of secondary languages (or third languages/L3s, if considered from a translational perspective; see Corrius Gimbert 2005; Corrius, Zabalbeascoa 2014) spoken by characters whose mother tongue is different from the film's base language, to imply a challenging reconfiguration of multilingual relations whose core meaning "is deeply rooted in the source-culture by the way in which they represent or transform multilingual relations existing in social reality" (Delabastita, Grutman 2005: 27) and, consequently, urges audiovisual translators/dialogue adaptors to pinpoint a multiplicity of transfer procedures that can be used to render the multiplicity of languages represented on the screen.

Starting from these observations, in establishing a specific sociolinguistic and pragmatic framing within which language alternation phenomena, and code-switching in particular, seem to operate in contemporary multilingual audiovisual products, this book aims at looking contrastively at how code-switching has been dealt with in the original version and in the Italian dubbed version of sixteen European and American multicultural, multilingual films, released between 1999 and 2016, whose authentic strength lies in the instances of language alternation practices faithfully portraying the multilingual conversational practices distinctive of real-life multicultural communities.

The book is subdivided into three chapters, each of which is devoted to a specific aspect relevant to cinematic multilingualism and the ways it is dealt with in audiovisual translation, considered as both gateway and gatekeeping in the wider context of the intercultural dynamics proper to polyglot films.

Chapter 1 presents a short introductory overview on multilingualism, bilingualism and code-switching as outstanding discourse modes in multicultural and multilingual communities both off and on the screen. In particular, code-switching is recognized as one of the most important phenomena enacted within multilingual/bilingual discourse practices and intended as an act of identity negotiation that takes on crucial roles especially when bilingual immigrants are at stake. In the first part of the chapter, the different approaches and theories according to which codeswitching has been studied are briefly outlined in order to construct a theoretical framework for the empirical research carried out in Chapter 2 and Chapter 3; the second part of the chapter focuses on cinematic multilingual communities and on the translinguistic and transcultural issues

at stake as far as the audiovisual translation of multilingualism and codeswitching is concerned; the third and final part presents the main aims of the research, the data selected and the methodology followed for the empirical diachronic analysis that is at the core of the study.

Chapter 2 and Chapter 3 are the most prominent and extensive parts of the volume. They provide thorough comparative examinations of the original version and of the Italian dubbed version of the films making up the corpus, investigating the sociocultural, pragmatic and conversational functions the different types of code-switching fulfil in the multilingual communicative exchanges pervading the films' original version and examining how the L3s used in instances of turn-specific, intersentential and intrasentential code-switching are rendered into the films' Italian dubbed version, in order to determine the extent to which L3s and language alternation practices are retained for the target language audience.

Chapter 2, in particular, focuses on the transfer procedures employed for the L3s in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching, identifying a series of strategies on a translational scale whose endpoints entail either the modification of the films' original ethnolinguistic otherness or its faithful re-creation: on the one hand, dubbing modifies and re-narrates code-switching through domestication, local standardization, explicitation in translation and omission, thus inevitably reconfiguring the original ideological, cultural and linguistic discourse as well as the multilingual relations distinctive of the original version; on the other hand, such transfer modalities as open interlingual subtitles, open intralingual subtitles, non-translation, voice-over, interpreting and misinterpreting succeed in re-creating code-switching's ethnolinguistic specificity.

Chapter 3 aims to show whether L3 culture-bound references, belonging to different categories of cultural specifics (i.e. material and social culture; formulaic expressions such as greetings, exclamations, interjections, discourse markers; religious and spiritual traditions; geographical landmarks; food and local products) and expressed by means of intrasentential code-switching, are either left unaltered or lost in dub in the films' Italian dubbed version, illustrating the most recurrent transfer methods adopted for their rendering into another language/culture and discussing the difficulties entailed in relocating elements that are stuck into a specific sociocultural and linguistic context into another context, often far apart from both an ideological and a linguistic point of view.

The thorough empirical comparative analysis carried out in Chapter 2 and Chapter 3 basically aims to verify, also from a diachronic perspective, whether specific translation, or non-translation, strategies are adopted to faithfully re-create the original films' sociocultural and ethnolinguistic scenario or some sort of manipulation is applied in re-narrating the films' multilingual and multicultural essence for the Italian audience, thus illustrating what can be achieved by screen translation in terms of transcultural and translingual transmission.

CHAPTER 1

MULTILINGUALISM AND CODE-SWITCHING OFF AND ON THE SCREEN

1.1. Multilingualism, bilingualism and code-switching as discourse modes in multiethnic speech communities

In contemporary multicultural societies, multilingualism represents a major fact: it is estimated that there are more multilingual speakers in the world than there are monolinguals and that more than 7,000 languages (i.e. 7,097 according to the 2018 Ethnologue¹) are spoken in the 197 countries of the world, with some countries having hundreds of living languages. Following these data and as a result of thorough sociolinguistic surveys conducted on a world scale, scholars provide telling evidences of such extensive linguistic assortment claiming, for instance, that in the United States 334 different languages are spoken today and that the US is now the fifth-largest Hispanic country in the world (Romaine 2014), that New York City has nearly as many languages as Papua New Guinea - the country deemed by the 2018 Ethnologue as home to the highest number of languages, i.e. 841 -, that London is home to more than 230 languages (Sachdev, Giles, Pauwels 2013), that in Australia 250 languages are routinely spoken and that Melbourne hosts one of the largest Greek communities in the world outside Greece (Romaine 2014).

These are just a few prominent examples of multilingual realities, which arise in a number of ways throughout the centuries as a consequence of different socio-historical processes. Focusing, in particular, on the 20th and the 21st centuries, we can observe that the plethora of languages to be nowadays recognized in single areas (as the above-mentioned ones) results to be the outcome of extensive migration processes, especially from the Indian subcontinent, East Africa and the Caribbean, that began in the period following World War II and led to the emergence of new minority groups in such inner-circle countries (cf. Kachru 1985) as the UK, the

¹ Ethnologue: Languages of the World is an annual reference publication, both in print and online, first issued in 1951, which provides statistics and other information on the living languages of the world.

USA, Australia and Canada², offering both individuals and societies new opportunities to spread cross-fertilization between different linguistic and cultural groups (Auer, Wei 2007). As a fact, the dramatic mass movement of peoples of the last decades has resulted in new international spaces of discontinuous historical realities where identities are constantly reshaped (Bhabha 1994) also from the linguistic point of view. Indeed, migration processes change the language ecologies of the receiving countries leading not only to a greater linguistic diversity on their territory but also and, most importantly, to different types of bilingualism, i.e. the ability to master an acquired language as if this was one's mother tongue (Bhatia, Ritchie 2004), and of multilingualism (for which bilingualism is often used as a cover term), i.e. the ability to speak more than two languages (Myers-Scotton 1993), in the discourse patterns distinctive of these "new minorities" (cf. Auer, Wei 2007: 493). What is important to notice in this sense is that the new diasporic communities of the 20th century, as Bhat defined them (Bhat 2000), are to be considered as proper language communities (Baker, Jones 1998) or communities of practices (Wenger 1998), i.e. groups formed by people who use, for part or most of their daily existence, a given language they identify with, sharing their ways of communicating that also include the use of two or more languages on a regular basis.

These preliminary data crucially indicate that understanding the dynamics of multilingualism implies dealing with many complex connections between languages and virtually all other areas of the speakers' individual and social life (Edwards 2014). With regard to this, multilingualism can be studied both as an individual and as a societal phenomenon. As an individual phenomenon, central issues with regard to its status and functions are related to how one acquires two or more languages either in childhood or later, to the speaker's mental representations of the languages at stake as well as to the extent to which he/she produces and understands them. As a societal phenomenon, multilingualism is basically taken into consideration in its institutional dimensions, i.e. the roles and the symbolic and practical uses of the languages in a given society, the factors determining language choice and, most importantly, the correlations between language use and social factors such as ethnicity, religion and class (Sridhar 1996).

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² According to the UN International Migration Report 2017, about 258 million people (i.e. some 3.4% of the world population) are international migrants who live outside the country where they were born.

It is within the field of Language Socialization studies that the complex relationships between languages, individuals, communities and cultures in contemporary multiethnic contexts are largely dealt with, with a wide range of theories and publications mainly aiming to shed a light on the processes involved in becoming multilingual (cf. Baquedano-López, Kattan 2007). In particular, Language Socialization studies seem to cast a special light on the interrelation between language ideologies, i.e. "sets of beliefs about language articulated by users as a rationalization or justification of perceived language structure and use" (Silverstein 1979: 193) and language awareness, i.e. "explicit knowledge about language, and conscious perception and sensitivity in language learning, language teaching and language use" (Verschik 2017: 100), the latter being also specifically applied to bilingualism and in this case defined as the "metalinguistic awareness of bilinguals" (Baker 2017: 282), i.e. the ability of an individual to consider language as an internal process rather than as an external outcome. It is, indeed, especially in language contact phenomena that language ideologies and metalinguistic awareness result to be strictly connected, as multilingual/bilingual communication proves to be governed by peculiar goals and norms in specific interactional settings (Verschik 2017) where individual linguistic identities are constantly reshaped.

As a fact, in particular in immigrant contexts, immigrant speakers, trying to fit in and to adapt to a new social environment without losing their own ethnolinguistic background, usually separate their personalities in two halves also from the linguistic point of view: one which remains stuck into their roots and traditions and is codified by the use of their mother tongue, or "heritage/community language" (Hornberger 2005), especially with family and community members, and another one that adapts to the host country (Milroy, Muysken 1995), speaking the majority language especially in out-group contexts. This switching back and forth between languages, associating each language with different domains, values and identities, is related to the dichotomy we-code vs they-code proposed by Gumperz (1982) and defined as follows: "The tendency is for the ethnically specific, minority language to be regarded as the 'we code' and become associated with in-group and informal activities, and for the majority language to serve as the 'they code' associated with more formal, stiffer and less personal out-group relations" (Gumperz, 1982: 66; see also Auer, Wei 2005, 2007). They-code and we-code are therefore liable to perform different functions in a communicative act: the they-code can be used to assert authority, convey objective information, create distance (cf. Bullock, Toribio 2009; Bhatia 2011), whereas the we-code can be chosen to express in-group membership, informality, intimacy (cf. Bhatia, Ritchie 2013), thus resulting to be more closely tied to the bilingual speaker's emotional sphere.

Such process of language alternation represents one of the most important phenomena in multilingual/bilingual discourse practices and language contact, i.e. code-switching, variously defined as "the ability to switch from code A to code B [with the] alternation of codes [being] determined by the function, the situation and the participants" (Kachru 1978a: 108), as "the alternative use by bilinguals of two or more languages in the same conversation" (Milroy, Muysken 1995: 7), as "the selection by bilinguals or multilinguals of forms of an embedded language in utterances of a matrix language during the same conversation" (Myers-Scotton 1993: 4). The core aspect all these definitions highlight is that code-switching is commonly intended as a highly functional conversational strategy based on the use of two or more grammatical systems in a single speech exchange (Gumperz 1982) that "doesn't take place randomly, nor does it depend on individual initiatives, but is socially regulated and follows collective patterns of speech behavior" (Grutman 2009b: 13). From this perspective, code-switching can be considered as a linguistic process basically related to social and power relationships (Baker 2017) and depending upon a series of variables that may either foster or prevent it, e.g. the topic and the context in which the conversation occurs, the individuals involved in the conversation, the perceived linguistic skills of the interlocutor. The two latter variables seem to be specifically related to the presence of different types of bilinguals in immigrant and multiethnic contexts: balanced bilinguals (Pearl, Lambert 1962) or co-ordinate bilinguals (Stockwell 2007), i.e. people that are born into families in which we-code and theycode are spoken routinely and, consequently, acquire similar degrees of proficiency in both (as could be the case with second- and third-generation immigrants born and grown up in the host country who develop both languages equally as vernaculars), and dominant (or unbalanced) bilinguals (Pearl, Lambert 1962) or compound bilinguals (Stockwell 2007), i.e. people that learn another language later in life, to the point that they become rather fluent in it but whose proficiency in one language remains higher than that in the other language (as could be the case with firstgeneration immigrants who learn the they-code as adults at their arrival in the host country and whose predominant use of the we-code in their daily interactions often limits their skills in the later acquired language).

Furthermore, different types of bilingual speakers can choose among different types of code-switching in their speech practices, i.e. turn-specific code-switching, occurring between the turns of different speakers in the conversation; intersentential code-switching, occurring between sentences within a single turn; and intrasentential code-switching, occurring within the same sentence, from single-morpheme to clause level (Myers-Scotton, 1993: 4), each of which aims at structuring peculiar in-group and out-group relations (Milroy, Muysken 1995). In immigrant contexts, in particular, code-switching is prevailingly seen as a symbolic juxtaposition of linguistic codes across conversational turns that is not so much relevant to practical requirements, as the country's majority language, more useful in the professional field, more prestigious and more acceptable communication with the outside world, is guaranteed to be widely spoken, but rather finds its raison d'être as an act of self-identification (Auer, Wei 2007), within specific sociolinguistic contexts. In this sense, the bilingual/multilingual members of multiethnic and immigrant communities can be considered as polyglots travelling in between languages in a sort of never-ending state of (self)translation (Meylaerts 2013) of their hybrid identities, as they adapt their languages assessing their linguistic skills at regular intervals and readjusting the level of effort according both to their communicative needs (Dewaele 2007) and to their interlocutors, perfectly aware of the sociolinguistic and pragmatic implications peculiar to each of the languages they use.

1.1.1. Main theoretical approaches to code-switching

In order to develop a theoretical framework for our empirical study, it is necessary to provide a general overview of the most important studies conducted so far on multilingualism, bilingualism and code-switching, whose complexities have been illustrated from individual. communicational, developmental, societal perspectives (see Heller 2007, 2011; Pauwels, Winter, Lo Bianco 2007; Blommaert 2010) and according to different approaches (see Fishman 1977; Gumperz 1981; Poplack 1981; Valdés 1981; Sánchez 1983; Appel, Muysken 1987; Myers-Scotton 1993; Milroy, Muysken 1995; Montes-Alcalá 2001; Azuma 2001; Raschka, Lee, Wei 2002; Auer, Wei 2005, 2007; Bullock, Toribio 2009; Callahan 2009) whose main aim is to clarify the reasons underlying the pervasive use of language alternation as a key linguistic procedure in multiethnic, crosscultural and immigrant contexts.

As far as terminological issues are concerned, a distinction often drawn by linguists pertains to the terms code-switching, on the one hand, and code-mixing, on the other hand. Bhatia and Ritchie, among others, adopt the term code-switching to refer to the use of various linguistic units (i.e. words, phrases, clauses, and sentences) primarily from two participating grammatical systems across sentence boundaries within a speech event (Bhatia, Ritchie 2013); this is what Myers-Scotton (1993) defines as intersentential code-switching (see 1.1.), subject to discourse principles and motivated by sociocultural and psychological factors. On the other hand, they use the term code-mixing to refer to the mixing of various linguistic units (i.e. morphemes, words, modifiers, phrases, clauses) primarily from two participating grammatical systems within a sentence (Bhatia, Ritchie 2013) that requires the integration of the rules of the two languages involved in the discourse; this corresponds to Myers-Scotton's notion of intrasentential code-switching, constrained by grammatical principles and itself motivated by sociocultural and psychological reasons. Other scholars doubt the usefulness of this distinction, often seen as controversial: some reject it on functional grounds and treat both codeswitching and code-mixing as instances of situational shifting (Gumperz 1982); others simply reject the use of the term code-mixing as "the most unclear for referring to any form of non-monoglot norm-based speech patterns" (Beardsome 1991: 49). In our study, owing to the abovementioned long-term difficulties to find an agreed-upon definition, we will adopt Myers-Scotton's label for this phenomenon, using code-switching as a cover term for all instances of language alternation, including those entailing the insertion of single words from a specific linguistic code into a sentence expressed in another linguistic code (see Chapter 3).

Our analysis, based on empirical evidence provided by the multilingual discourse practices to be extensively recognized in sixteen contemporary European and American multilingual audiovisual products (see 1.3.), will primarily focus on code-switching intended as a proper conversational strategy that serves specific interactional tasks for participants, following the theoretical framework of interactional sociolinguistics provided by (Gumperz 1982) according to which two main types of language alternation can be performed in multilingual conversational contexts, i.e. situational code-switching and metaphorical

code-switching (Gumperz 1982). Situational code-switching refers to the use of language alternation to negotiate a shift in specific aspects of the speech situation on account of the co-selectivity between language varieties and social contexts; from this perspective, codes are switched as observable changes in the interactional act, as each code is used in different settings and with different categories of interlocutors. The second type of language alternation as a discourse strategy is represented by metaphorical code-switching, based on a violation of "co-occurrence expectations" (Gumperz 1982: 98), i.e. the conventionalized associations between codes and context, activity, or participants, and usually employed communicate meanings other than ideational by drawing on the symbolic value of the language switched to. In particular, as our empirical research will illustrate (see 1.1.2.1.), within immigrant contexts situational and metaphorical code-switching prove to be related to different generational speech patterns: indeed, whereas first-generation immigrants tend to use situational code-switching, associating we-code and they-code with changes in interlocutor, context or topic, second-generation immigrants tend to use metaphorical code-switching, introducing the we-code in the conversation to evoke its 'metaphorical' world, i.e. their own background community's sociocultural values. This leads to asymmetrical languagechoice patterns in intergenerational communication that serve crucial pragmatic functions in displaying, and ascribing, (double) identities in interaction (Auer 2007).

Furthermore, to better identify the ways in which the sociocultural context influences the speech patterns distinctive of bilingual speakers, both within the same generation and across different generations, Auer distinguishes between discourse-related code-switching and participantrelated code-switching (Auer 2007), a distinction that will prove to be particularly useful also to the aims of this study. Indeed, as our empirical analysis will provide evidence of, within the so-called discourse-related code-switching language alternation is deployed to fulfil specific discoursive functions, e.g. to catch the audience's attention, to convey particular emphasis or to obtain a more persuasive effect on certain words, within the so-called participant-related code-switching participants search for an account that code-switching is used to express the speaker's linguistic preferences and competence (Auer 2007). This is related to a common hypothesis suggested by most studies on codeswitching according to which bilinguals mainly switch codes when interacting with other bilinguals with whom they share a dual language identity (Bullock, Toribio 2009), so that their language choices appear to be affected by both deliberate and unconscious allegiance to community-specific behavioural, cultural and social norms within which one's ethnic and linguistic identity always comes to the fore.

A further light on the sociolinguistic dynamics underlying the use of code-switching is cast by the Communication Accommodation Theory (cf. Giles, St. Clair 1979; Giles, Coupland, Coupland 1991), which defines the reasons for switching codes focusing on social integration and differentiation and suggesting that individuals use communication both to indicate their attitude toward each other and as an indicator of the level of social distance between them. More specifically, among accommodative schemes, convergence results to be the strategy whereby individuals adapt their communicative behaviour in terms of linguistic, paralinguistic and non-verbal features to somehow emulate their interlocutor's behavior: this is an attitude often to be recognized, also in the films selected for our study, especially among second-generation immigrants, struggling to enter the host society networks from both a sociocultural and a linguistic point of view and using the they-code as their primary means of communication. On the other hand, divergence underlines language and cultural differences in emphasizing distinctiveness from one's interlocutor on the basis of group membership, and this is an attitude typically to be observed among first-generation immigrants, who try to resist to the sociocultural and linguistic dynamics peculiar to the host country consistently using their we-code within their minority group, which acts as a self-standing and differentiated entity (Giles, Johnson 1987; see also 1.1.2.1.).

In this regard, another important distinction concerning language selection in social interaction that will extensively emerge from our research is that relevant to code-switching as either an unmarked or a marked language choice in different speech situations, a notion introduced by Myers-Scotton (1988a, 1988b, 1993) in the Markedness Model, considered in its turn as an extension of Grice's cooperative principle (Grice 1975) that explains how listeners and speakers must act cooperatively and mutually accept one another to reach effective communication. In her sociolinguistic theory, Myers-Scotton claims that, for any interaction type and the participants involved, and among available linguistic varieties, the speakers' social motivations are responsible for code choices. Indeed, "all speakers will have mental representations of a matching between code choices and rights and obligation sets" (Myers-

Scotton 1988b: 152) as part of what has been defined as their communicative competence, i.e. a speaker's ability "to select, from the totality of grammatically correct expressions available to him, forms which appropriately reflect the social norms governing behaviour in specific encounters" (Gumperz 1982: 205), and, more specifically, they will select the form for their conversational contribution such that it represents the set of rights and obligations they would like to be in force between speaker and addressee for that specific exchange (Myers-Scotton 1993). In particular, when there is congruence between language choice and the rights and obligations set foreseen by the markedness model, language choice is said to be unmarked: this choice usually takes place in intimate interactional contexts within which speakers constantly switch between languages with adult bilinguals to emphasize their membership in both dominant and minority culture (cf. Myers-Scotton 1993; Bullock, Toribio 2009), often unaware of what language they are actually using (cf. Lanza 2007). On the other hand, when there is no congruence between language choice and the rights and obligations set, language choice is said to be marked, i.e. it is unpredictable as it disregards social and situational factors (i.e. what is expected in the interaction) and it indicates a change in the relationship between participants in the conversation, either to mark the distance between them or to increase the level of deference or authority (Myers-Scotton 1993).

All the above-mentioned theoretical approaches will be taken as reference frames for our empirical study as they all intend code-switching as a crucial resource for meaning-construction in interaction, used not merely to organize face-to-face communication but also, and primarily, to create interpersonal relationships and social identities in discourse (Auer, Wei 2007).

1.1.2. Code-switching, ethnic background and linguistic negotiations of identity

The strict correlation between the use of code-switching in bilingual discourse practices and identity construction is, especially nowadays, one of the main topics addressed by sociolinguistic research, as the theoretical frame of reference for the study of identity has gradually shifted from the pairing of linguistic variables with preexisting social categories, such as class and socioeconomic status, to a focus on how these social categories are negotiated through language. Indeed, language choice and language

shift prove to be inextricably tied to the notion of identity (cf. Kulick 1992; Zentella 1997; Heller 2001; Rindstedt, Aronsson 2002; Paugh 2005), considered as something fluid, dynamic and created by speakers according to the cultural systems in which they are located both spatially and temporally (Baquedano-López, Kattan 2007).

It is, in particular, in contemporary multiethnic and immigrant environments that language choice has a crucial power to reflect, negotiate and (re)constitute identities (Bailey 2007). In this regard, Bucholtz and Hall (2005) illustrate a series of key principles according to which identity in multilingual interactional settings seems to operate simultaneously at multiple levels in relation to language alternation: the emergence principle, the positionality principle, the indexicality principle and the relationality principle. The emergence principle views identity "as the emergent product rather than the pre-existing source of linguistic and other semiotic practices and therefore as fundamentally a social and cultural phenomenon" (Bucholtz, Hall 2005: 588), i.e. identity is something that emerges through social action, and especially through language rather than being just a psychological mechanism of self-classification. As we will see in our study, in multiethnic societies and immigrant groups, the emergence principle results to be mainly related to the ethnic and immigrant characters' use of code-switching to express the survival of their sociocultural and linguistic background heritage in the host country, in both in-group and out-group discourse practices. The positionality considers identities as encompassing "(a) macro-level demographic categories; (b) local, ethnographically specific cultural positions; and (c) temporary and interactionally specific stances and participant roles" (Bucholtz, Hall 2005: 592), thus correlating social behaviour with macro-identity categories such as age, gender and social class. This will lead us to observe that, especially in minority groups of immigrant origins, code-switching between we-code and they-code fulfils different functions according to whether it is used by either first- or second- and third-generation immigrants as well as to whether it is adopted by men rather than by women and in what type of interactional situations (see Chapter 2). The indexicality principle refers to identity relations as emerging "in interaction through several related indexical processes, including: (a) overt mention of identity categories and labels; (b) implicatures and presuppositions regarding one's own or others' identity position; (c) displayed evaluative and epistemic orientations to ongoing talk, as well as interactional footings and participant roles; and (d) the use of linguistic structures and systems that are ideologically associated with specific personas and groups" (Bucholtz, Hall 2005: 593). The indexicality principle is fundamental in order to better understand how linguistic forms are used to create identity positions which are themselves deeply rooted in cultural beliefs and values (Bucholtz, Hall 2005), as is particularly the case with immigrant speakers prevailingly choosing their we-code in family and in-group informal conversational contexts as a sign of group-membership. that relationality principle claims "Identities intersubjectively constructed through several. often overlapping, complementary relations. including similarity/difference, genuiness/artifice, and authority/delegitimacy" (Bucholtz, Hall 2005: 598), i.e. it underlines that identities are never autonomous or independent, but they rather have meaning only in relation with other identities or other social actors, an aspect that results to be distinctive also of the multilingual and multicultural communities portrayed in our corpus of films, where language plays the part of an "emotional cement" (Milroy, Muysken 1995: 23) in own-group recognition and in the determination of in- and out-group boundaries.

1.1.2.1. Code-switching and generational speech patterns

The fact that language, as a socially situated activity, has a key role in identity negotiations stands out as particularly prominent, as already mentioned, when immigrant families' and communities' speech practices are at stake, as community, cultural and linguistic norms are traditionally passed on and reworked from one generation to the next (Baquedano-López, Kattan 2007) and the extensive use of language alternation practices results to be related to specific generational discourse patterns. Indeed, the alternate use of we-code and they-code typically occurring when either immigrant and Western speakers or members of the same immigrant family/community interact, clearly illustrates that language uses and preferences are distributed by both generation and age and that, in particular, whereas first-generation immigrants tend to diverge from the host country linguistic background and stick to their we-code as the linguistic correlative of 'home' and 'family', their West-raised children generally accommodate to and use their Western interlocutors they-code, instinctively preferring the language they learnt at school that has helped them to make their way in the Western society and that therefore fulfils crucial functions in the construction of their new social identity (Auer, Wei 2005, 2007). As a fact, it is in particular when second-generation immigrants start going to school that the they-code becomes especially relevant to them, as it is at that point in their life that they understand that the two linguistic systems are associated with two different sets of values often colliding with each other. In fact, second-generation immigrants find themselves constantly negotiating between their allegiance to their parents' native culture and language, on the one hand, and to the cultural and linguistic expectations of their adopted home, on the other hand, living a phase of transition which involves an inevitable adjustment and reworking of their sociocultural, ethnic as well as linguistic identity. They feel they are suspended between two worlds (Pavlenko 2006) in a dimension where linguistic hybrid identities are in the process of being moulded; as a fact, even though they prevailingly speak English as the language that symbolically represents their new lives as Westerners, they also recurrently adopt code-switching to express their moral and cultural dilemma (Myers-Scotton 1993), thus engaging in double identity practices simultaneously in linguistically moving from one identity to the other. All this leads to cultural and ideological generational conflicts that find their linguistic correlative in non-reciprocal language uses across different generations.

More specifically, as our empirical study will highlight drawing extensive evidence from the films included in our corpus, the immigrants' generational clash is often exemplified by the use of different types of code-switching within different generations' speech patterns (Monti 2009, 2014, 2016). It is indeed among first-generation immigrants that we can observe the most frequent cases of situational turn-specific and intersentential code-switching as an essentially unmarked choice, used both in family conversations to express intentional meanings of sociopragmatic nature when important family matters are at stake and within interactions with other members of the community to create an immediate sense of belonging (see Chapter 2). On the other hand, intrasentential codeswitching frequently occurs when we-code words are cited, especially by second-generation immigrants, during conversational exchanges carried out in English, with the aim of evoking specific traditions and beliefs related to their home country (see Chapter 3). Each type of code-switching thus aims at emphasizing the competing visions of the world held by the two generations (Myers-Scotton 1993), as we will clearly observe, in particular, in some of the films under investigation revolving around the lives of immigrant families whose peculiar linguistic practices are representative not only of their background heritage but also of the vital

importance they assign to their family ties, which often result to be either strengthened or weakened according to the language choices they make in their daily interactions (see Chapter 2 for further discussion on this issue).

1.2. Cinematic multilingual communities and the audiovisual translation of multilingualism: translinguistic and transcultural issues at stake

The decision to focus our attention on multilingual discourse practices as represented in contemporary multilingual audiovisual products derives from the long-standing connection between cultural productions and cultural contexts (cf. Arnold 1993) that leads cinema to be considered as an art form that relentlessly bears testimony to social changes and that, especially nowadays, proves to be an unparalleled window from which the interaction of cultures and languages can be displayed (de Higes-Andino, Prats-Rodríguez, Martínez-Sierra, Chaume 2013). Indeed, there seems to be, in the field of film production today, a sort of ethical and moral obligation for filmmakers to incorporate, into the plot of their films, the political. sociocultural and linguistic transformations contemporary multicultural societies (Heiss 2014), always casting a special light on the multilingual speech patterns that are distinctive of crosscultural contexts. Though traces of the phenomenon of multilingualism have always been present in both European and American audiovisual products (Heiss 2004), it is in particular in the 1980s and 1990s that a growing number of European and American films began to foreground issues of translingual and cross-cultural communication, reproducing on the screen the multilingual discourse practices peculiar to real-life multiethnic and immigrant environments. This new tendency goes against traditional trend of homogenization in cinematic linguistic representation (Sternberg 1981) according to which foreign languages, spoken by characters either belonging to a minority group or coming from countries other than the country where the film is set, tended to be minimized and sidelined (O'Sullivan 2007), with native tongues being "drowned in the babble of voices in the background" (Sinha 2004: 184). Contemporary polyglot films, or what Naficy defines as accented films commonly mixing languages (Naficy 2001), represent plurilingualism as "a discrete mode of narrative and aesthetic expression" (Wahl 2008: 349) that plays key functions in both story, i.e. the content of the narrative, and discourse, i.e. the way in which the narrative content is expressed (Chatman 1978). In particular, cinematic multilingualism seems to fulfil both intradiegetic functions, playing crucial roles in plot development, themes representation, character portrayal, voice and point of view, and extradiegetic functions, in its being used for the sake of authenticity and exoticism in the realistic reproduction of multicultural and multilingual subjectivies (Meylaerts, Şerban 2014) and in clearly presenting to the audience a linguistic diversity imbued with sociocultural implications that should always be brought to the fore.

To reach these goals, a peculiar audiovisual practice increasingly adopted to make a film shot in two or more languages accessible to all viewers is part-subtitling, i.e. the use of open, non-optional subtitles that constitute "a natural component" (Sinha 2004: 174) of the original film and cannot be removed from the screen (Gottlieb 1997, 2005; Shuttleworth, Cowie 2004; O' Connell 2007), appended only to the part of the dialogue presenting a language different from the film's base language (i.e. a 'foreign' language defined, from the translational point of view, as third language or L3; see below for further discussion on this issue), planned from an early stage in the film's production and aimed at the film's primary language audience (O' Sullivan 2007). All the advantages brought, in this sense, by the use of part-subtitling seem to obscure its possible drawbacks, e.g. the spoiling of the image with an obtrusive text which can distract from the filmic events, the often condensed and simplified form in which dialogues are rendered, and the supposed difficulty in shifting the eyes to-and-fro between the text and the images (Audissino 2014), as linguistic credibility with regard to the foreign essence of the filmic multilingual discourse practices is what counts most.

The fact that the exposure to multilingual audiovisual content is nowadays far greater than ever before, as the number of polyglot films distributed worldwide is constantly growing, crucially relates issues of multilingualism and language variation on the screen to the field of Audiovisual Translation (AVT), also referred to as screen translation, film translation, multimedia translation (cf. Abend-David 2014), which began to establish itself as an important area of academic research in the field of Translation Studies especially at the end of the 20th century (Díaz Cintas 2009, 2012) with a dramatic increase in the number of relevant publications devoted to a wide array of topics (see Luyken 1991; Gambier, Gottlieb 2001; O'Hagan, Ashworth 2002; Chaume 2004, 2007; Pavesi 2005, 2008, 2009; Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007; Nornes 2007; Cronin 2009;

Díaz Cintas 2009, 2012; Bielsa, Bassnett 2009; Schäffner, Bassnett 2010; Chiaro 2009, 2010, 2012; O'Sullivan 2007, 2011. In particular, it is a wellknown fact that one of the topics most extensively dealt with in the field of Audiovisual Translation is the language of dubbing, variously defined as dubbese, dubbed language, third norm, thoroughly studied in its distinctive linguistic features and mainly intended as a culture-specific linguistic and stylistic model for dubbed texts that places itself between naturally occurring conversation and fictional dialogue (cf. Raffaelli 1994; Dries 1995; Malinverno 1999; Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007; Díaz Cintas 2009; Chaume 2004, 2007, 2012; Bucaria 2008; Romero-Fresco 2008; Marzà, Chaume 2009; Pavesi 2005, 2008, 2009; Matamala 2009; Baños, Chaume 2009; Baños 2014). But starting from the late 1980s and early 1990s, as a consequence of the already-discussed ever-growing production of crosscultural and multilingual films, the issue of how the dubbing process deals with the multicultural and multilingual dimension distinctive of polyglot films began to attract attention, as many translation scholars realized the need to focus on the study of both multilingualism and translation in the wider context of the media (cf. Heiss 2004; Bartoll 2006; Delabastita, Grutman 2005; Meylaerts 2006; Corrius, Zabalbeascoa 2011; O'Sullivan 2007, 2011; Voellmer, Zabalbeascoa 2014).

From a general point of view, we can say that the multilingual practices pervading post-immigrant societies and multiethnic environments and faithfully mimicked in contemporary multicultural, multilingual audiovisual products, are themselves inherently tied to the concept of translation, if we intend it as a procedure that "does not take place in between monolingual cultures [...] but, rather, within and in between multilingual entities" (Meylaerts, Serban 2014: 1), as a key element of social and intercultural communication (Tomaszkiewicz 2009) crucially contributing to mutual exchange, resistance, interpenetration (Meylaerts 2010). From this perspective, in its contextualizing any translation practice within a sociocultural rather than within a merely linguistic context, screen translation itself can be intended as a transcoding process focused not merely on language transfer but also, and primarily, on cross-cultural transfer (Snell-Hornby 1995), all the more so when it entails a re-narration or re-presentation of sociocultural and linguistic dilemmas experienced within intercultural communities that are constantly reshaped by processes of globalization and global mass migration also from the linguistic point of view.

For many years, the difficulties in faithfully rendering these dilemmas from a source language into a target language led the audiovisual translation of multilingual films to be seen as a form of adaptation (Petillo 2008) rather than as a proper form of translation. As a fact, the relocation of the original multicultural, ideological and linguistic construct, as well as of the original multilingual discourse, into a new environment, where both the sociolinguistic reality and its perception are often remarkably different (Díaz Cintas 2012), has always represented a challenging task and the translation of on-screen multilingualism has recurrently been considered in terms of problems and untranslatability (Meylaerts 2006). This is also related to the fact that multilingualism in itself extends the traditional theoretical discussions on translation conventionally implying that interlingual translation, or "translation proper" (Jakobson 1959: 232), only involves two languages: L1, i.e. the dominant language in the source text, the language translated from, and L2, i.e. the dominant language in the target text, the language translated into (Jakobson 1959). Indeed, multilingualism stretches the limits of translation, highlighting that it cannot merely be considered as the "full transposition of one (monolingual) source code into another monolingual target code for the benefit of a monolingual target public" (Meylaerts 2006: 5), as polyglot films involve the presence of third languages or L3s (see Corrius Gimbert 2005; Corrius, Zabalbeascoa 2011), a proposed term for accounting for intratextual translation and language variation in translation by systematizing all linguistic expressions that do not fall neatly under the category of L1 or L2 (see Zabalbeascoa, Voellmer 2014). In this sense, an L3 is neither the ostensible primary language of the source text (i.e. L1) nor the ostensible primary language of the target text (i.e. L2) but rather a secondary language spoken by characters whose mother tongue is different from the film's base language, i.e. a "distinct, independent language or an instance of relevant language variation, sufficient to signal more than one identifiable speech community being portrayed or represented within a text" (Corrius, Zabalbeascoa 2011: 115). As far as the linguistic transfer of L3s into another language/culture is concerned, the common opinion, among scholars in the field, is that the "polyphonic play of voices" (O'Sullivan 2007: 82) should be preserved when the original film is dubbed for distribution into another country, so that the crucial role it plays in portraying the characters' foreignness is not "lost in translation" (Heiss 2004: 218). But this is a demanding goal that entails the necessity to

negotiate the multiplicity of languages represented on the screen by means of a multiplicity of translation procedures (Meylaerts, Serban 2014).

A useful taxonomy often adopted to deal with the presence of a third language (or more third languages) in a given multilingual audiovisual product and with its satisfactory rendering in another language/culture is that proposed by Mareš (2000a, 2000b, 2003), whose tenet is the notion of a continuum from the complete elimination of languages other than the film's base language, i.e. any speech that in the source version is in an L3 is completely removed in the target version and replaced by an unmarked standard variety of the L2, to their complete presence, i.e. the L3 speech is maintained unaltered in the target version, passing through such transfer modalities as signalization, i.e. the replaced language is signaled via metalinguistic comments, and evocation, i.e. the characters speak a variety of the base language that provides evidence of interference (transfer), for instance by means of code-switching, from the language they are supposed to be speaking (see Mareš 2000a, 2000b, 2003; cf. Bleichenbacher 2008). Similarly, Bartoll (2006) points out that the translator/dialogue adaptor has two main possibilities to convey language diversity in a film target version, i.e. either not to mark the presence of the L3, thus depriving the dubbed version of the ethnolinguistic and pragmatic functions it fulfils in the original version, or to mark it, thus preserving the L3's exoticism in translation (Bartoll 2006). In considering these two possibilities as the end-points on a translational scale, we will observe, as illustrated in detail in Chapter 2, that the third language may lose its visibility in being either dubbed into the L2 and domesticated (see 2.1.1, 2.1.2., 2.1.3.) or omitted (see 2.1.4.), or it may be left untouched at the spoken level (see 2.2.) with its meaning either not provided (see 2.2.2.) or conveyed by means of such translation procedures as open subtitles (see 2.2.1.), voice-over (see 2.2.3.), interpreting (see 2.2.4.), misinterpreting (see 2.2.5.), which succeed in maintaining its ethnolinguistic peculiarities.

1.3. Research aims, methodology and data

Following the above-mentioned studies on multilingualism off and on the screen, as well as on the audiovisual translation of multilingualism, and establishing a specific sociolinguistic, cultural and pragmatic framing within which intercultural linguistic processes and language alternation practices seem to operate in audiovisual products, our empirical study aims at looking contrastively at how the presence of L3s in instances of turn-

specific, intersentential and intrasentential code-switching has been dealt with both in the original version and in the Italian dubbed version of a corpus of sixteen European and American multicultural, multilingual films released between 1999 and 2016, i.e. East Is East (O'Donnell, 1999), Bend It Like Beckham (Chadha, 2002), My Big Fat Greek Wedding (Zwick, 2002), Real Women Have Curves (Cardoso, 2003), Ae Fond Kiss (Loach, 2004), Spanglish (Brooks, 2004), Crash (Haggis, 2004), The Mistress of Spices (Mayeda Berges, 2005), Gran Torino (Eastwood, 2008), Vicky Cristina Barcelona (Allen, 2008), My Life in Ruins (Petrie, 2009), Eat Pray Love (Murphy, 2010) The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (Madden, 2012), The Hundred-Foot Journey (Hallström, 2014), The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (Madden, 2015), My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 (Jones, 2016) (see Tables I-XVI for the films' metadata), within which multilingual speech patterns prevail in faithfully representing the distinguishing linguistic traits of real multiethnic. multilingual communities in Europe and the USA. In fact. the multilingual conversational practices recurrently enacted in the films under investigation feature speakers belonging either to communities of immigrant origins or to cross-cultural groups of individuals of different nationalities as recurrently switching between L1 (i.e. English, the base language of communication in the films' original version) and L3 (i.e. any other language spoken in the films' original version), be the latter Punjabi in Ae Fond Kiss, Urdu-Hindi in East Is East, Hindi in Bend It Like Beckham, The Hundred-Foot Journey, The Mistress of Spices, The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, Farsi in Crash, the Mexican variation of Spanish in Real Women Have Curves and Spanglish, Greek in My Big Fat Greek Wedding, My Big Fat Geek Wedding 2 and My Life in Ruins, Hmong in Gran Torino, Indonesian and Portuguese in Eat Pray Love, Spanish in Vicky Cristina Barcelona. These peculiar speech patterns are integral to the films' meaning and set up a continuous tension between unity and diversity, as they distinctly characterize the interactions between the European/American and the Pakistani (in Ae Fond Kiss, East Is East)/Indian (in Bend It Like Beckham, The Hundred-Foot Journey, The Mistress of Spices, The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel)/Iranian (in Crash)/Mexican (in Real Women Have Curves, Spanglish)/Greek (in My Big Fat Greek Wedding, My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2, My Life in Ruins)/Hmong (in Gran Torino)/Indian and Brazilian (in Eat Pray Love)/Spanish (in Vicky Cristina Barcelona) characters portrayed on the

screen. In this sense, they do not only function as the linguistic correlatives of the speakers' identity but serve as tropes for the clash between European/American and non-European/American worlds as well as as tools both to negotiate otherness and to create a common ground in which otherness can be embraced (Monti 2014, 2016).

Starting from these facts, the empirical comparative analysis of the films' scripts will allow us to observe, also from a diachronic perspective, what can be achieved by audiovisual translation in terms of transcultural transmission when multilingualism is at stake, in order to verify whether and how the linguistic alterity distinctive of the films' original version is reproduced in the films' Italian dubbed version.

In particular, in Chapters 2 and 3, the films' scripts will be thoroughly analysed, in both the original and the Italian dubbed versions: investigating the conversational and sociocultural functions code-switching fulfils in the ethnic and immigrant characters' communicative exchanges; focusing on the scenes where code-switching encodes the characters' identities, fulfilling highly localized pragmatic goals (Bleichenbacher 2008); examining the translation strategies adopted for code-switching in the films' Italian dubbed version and observing whether some sort of ideological manipulation is applied in re-constructing the characters' ethnolinguistic traits for the Italian audience, thus possibly leading the defining ethnolinguistic features of the original films to be diluted to the point of neutralization, or specific translation, or non-translation, strategies are adopted to faithfully recreate the immigrant characters' sociolinguistic essence. The effects of the translation strategies most recurrently to be observed in the films' Italian dubbed versions will be pointed out with regard to syntactic as well as lexical aspects, to whether the translation is literal or not, to what kind of source text information has been omitted or added and, above all, to which functions of code-switching as an identity/ethnicity tool are maintained and encoded in the Italian version and which ones are lost in translation due to Italian dubbing and adaptation. All this will allow us to draw a parallelism between the diasporic, cross-linguistic and cross-cultural identities of the films' characters and some peculiar transfer modes nowadays increasingly adopted to convey the "translaguaging space" (Wei 2011: 1222) immigrant characters and members of multiethnic communities live in.

The films under study have been selected according to specific criteria: a linguistic criterion, entailing the selection of European and

American multilingual audiovisual products that use English as the base language for communication, even though the story is partially or totally set in a non-English speaking country (as is the case with The Hundred-Foot Journey set in France, My Life in Ruins set in Greece, The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel and The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel set in India, Vicky Cristina Barcelona mostly set in Spain, Eat Pray Love set in Italy, India and Indonesia), and depict immigrant characters and multiethnic groups of speakers massively adopting code-switching in their discourse practices; a generic criterion, related to films with a well-defined geographical and temporal setting and presenting dialogues mirroring multilingual interactions naturally occurring in multilingual contexts; an economic criterion, applied to films successful at the box office and provided with a significant degree of social and cultural relevance (Bleichenbacher 2008); a chronological criterion, pertaining to films released within a specific time span, i.e. from 1999 to 2016, thus covering almost two decades during which the interrelation among societies, audiovisual productions and disciplinary studies on screen translation became ever more evident triggering substantial changes in the relevant fields of research.

The empirical and descriptive analysis of the instances of L3s and code-switching to be observed in both the original versions and the Italian dubbed versions of the films under investigation is based on a wide selection of excerpts taken from the films' scripts, entailing 567 instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching and 568 instances of intrasentential code-switching. Each excerpt is presented in tables including: the name of the character speaking (column 1), the orthographic transcription of the original dialogue (column 2), the transcription of the dubbed Italian dialogue (column 3), the literal back translation of the L2 in the dubbed Italian dialogue (column 4). Any word / phrase / sentence in the L3 is indicated in italics, be it either spoken and left untranslated or spoken and conveyed by means of open subtitles at the bottom of the screen; in the latter case, the presence of open subtitles is indicated by the speaker's lines as enclosed in square brackets. Information relevant to paralinguistic behaviour and kinetic features associated with a specific speaker are also annotated in double round brackets.

Tables I to XVI include the metadata relevant to each film and are presented in a chronological order according to the films' release date.

Table I

English title	East Is East
Italian title	East Is East. Una famiglia ideale
Director	Damien O'Donnell, Ayub Khan-Din
Screenwriter	Ayub Khan-Din
Country of	United Kingdom
production	
Release date	1999
Running time	100 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Urdu, Hindi
languages	
Plot	Set in early 1970's England, it revolves around the
	life of the Khan family; the family father, George
	Khan, a fish-and-chip shop owner of Pakistani
	origins, expects his family to follow his strict
	Pakistani Muslim ways but he finds his authority
	challenged by his increasingly Anglicized children,
	who, having an English mother and being born and
	brought up in Salford, increasingly see themselves as
	British and start to reject their father's rules on dress,
	food, religion and lifestyle in general.

Table II

English title	Bend It Like Beckham
Italian title	Sognando Beckham
Director	Gurinder Chadha
Screenwriter	Paul Mayeda Berges, Guljit Bindra, Gurinder Chadha
Country of	United Kingdom, Germany
production	
Release date	2002
Running time	112 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Punjabi
languages	
Plot	It tells the story of eighteen-year-old British-Asian
	Jess Bhamra, grown up in the Western suburbs of

London in a Sikh family of tradition-bound Asian immigrants; despite her parents' grounded roots and the conventional plans they have for her future, she
joins the local women's soccer team and falls in love
with her white coach.

Table III

English title	My Big Fat Greek Wedding
Italian title	Il mio grosso grasso matrimonio greco
Director	Joel Zwick
Screenwriter	Nia Vardalos
Country of	Canada, United States
production	
Release year	2002
Running time	95 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Greek
languages	
Plot	It centers on Toula Portokalos, a middle-class Greek-
	American woman who falls in love with a non-Greek
	upper middle-class man and struggles to get her
	family to accept him while she herself comes to terms
	with her heritage and cultural identity.

Table IV

English title	Real Women Have Curves
Italian title	Le donne vere hanno le curve
Director	Patricia Cardoso
Screenwriter	Josephina Lopez, George LaVoo
Country of	United States
production	
Release year	2003
Running time	93 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Spanish
languages	
Plot	It is the story of Ana, a first generation Mexican-

American technique living in the Letine community of
American teenager living in the Latino community of
East Los Angeles. Freshly graduated from high
school, Ana receives a full scholarship to Columbia
University. Though her traditional, old-world parents
feel that now is the time for Ana to help provide for
the family, not the time for college, in the end she
realizes that leaving home to continue her education
is essential to proudly find her place in the world as
an American and a Chicana.

Table V

English title	Ae Fond Kiss
Italian title	Un bacio appassionato
Director	Ken Loach
Screenwriter	Paul Laverty
Country of	United Kingdom, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Spain
production	
Release year	2004
Running time	104 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Punjabi
languages	
Plot	It revolves around the relationship between Casim
	Khan, a second-generation Pakistani working as a DJ
	in Glasgow, and Roisin, an Irish Catholic
	schoolteacher, highlighting the clash of cultures and
	personalities that arises when their relationship is
	discovered.

Table VI

English title	Spanglish
Italian title	Spanglish. Quando in famiglia sono in troppi a parlare
Director	James L. Brooks
Screenwriter	James L. Brooks
Country of	United States
production	
Release year	2004

Running time	131 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Spanish
languages	
Plot	It centers around the character of Flor Moreno, a Mexican single mother who decides to move to the US with her daughter Cristina; she works as housekeeper with a well-off family in Los Angeles and gradually integrates, not without difficulties especially from the linguistic point of view, within the American society.

Table VII

English title	Crash
Italian title	Crash
Director	Paul Haggis
Screenwriter	Paul Haggis, Bobby Moresco
Country of	United States, Germany
production	
Release year	2004
Running time	112 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Farsi, Spanish
languages	
Plot	It presents a handful of characters with different
	ethnicities whose lives intertwine over a thirty-six
	hour period in Los Angeles. Among them are: a
	police detective, two black carjackers, a Caucasian
	district attorney and his wife, a racist white veteran
	cop, a black film director and his wife who must deal
	with the racist cop, an East Asian man who is run
	over but who is hiding some valuable cargo in the
	back of his van, a Persian-immigrant father who buys
	a gun to protect his shop, a Hispanic locksmith and
	his young daughter.

Table VIII

English title	The Mistress of Spices
Italian title	La maga delle spezie
Director	Paul Mayeda Berges
Screenwriter	Gurinder Chadha, Paul Mayeda Berges, Chitra
	Banerjee Divakaruni
Country of	United States, India
production	
Release year	2005
Running time	96 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Hindi
languages	
Plot	It features Tilo, a Mistress of Spices grown up in
	India in a sort of traditional cult of spices and sent to
	a Spice Bazaar in San Francisco with the mission of
	following three basic rules: use the spices to help her
	clients accomplish their desires but never hers; never
	leave the store; never be touched in the skin. When
	she meets the American architect Doug, she falls in
	love with him, breaking the rules and being punished
	by the spices with a series of consequences for both
	herself, her lover and her customers.

Table IX

English title	Gran Torino
Italian title	Gran Torino
Director	Clint Eastwood
Screenwriter	Nick Schenk
Country of	United States
production	
Release year	2008
Running time	116 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Hmong
languages	
Plot	It revolves around the character of Walt Kowalski, a

Korean	war	veteran	who	meets	his	Hmong
neighbor	urs and	d gradual	ly ove	rcomes	his p	rejudices
and ethn	ocentri	ic beliefs	getting	involve	d in t	heir life.

Table X

English title	Vicky Cristina Barcelona
Italian title	Vicky Cristina Barcelona
Director	Woody Allen
Screenwriter	Woody Allen
Country of	Spain, United States
production	
Release year	2008
Running time	97 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Spanish
languages	
Plot	It presents the story of two American friends, soon-
	to-be-married Vicky, a cerebral and cautious young
	major in Catalan studies, and Cristina, adventurous
	and carefree, who decide to spend their summer
	holidays in Barcelona. There they fall in love with the
	same man, Juan Antonio, an eccentric painter known
	for his scandalous divorce with the tempestuous
	María Elena, and this will drag everyone in an
	unstable, yet tempting, ménage à quatre.

Table XI

English title	My Life in Ruins
Italian title	Le mie grosse grasse vacanze greche
Director	Donald Petrie
Screenwriter	Mike Reiss
Country of	United States, Greece, Spain
production	
Release year	2009
Running time	95 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Greek

languages	
Plot	It turns around the life of Georgia, a college professor of Classical Greek studies, who takes a job as a tour
	guide, guiding a group of stereotypical tourists
	around Greece. Along the way, she begins to see the
	world through new eyes, also realizing that true love may be closer than she thinks if she could just
	recapture her kefi.

Table XII

Eat Pray Love
Mangia Prega Ama
Ryan Murphy
Ryan Murphy; Jennifer Salt
USA
2010
140 minutes
English
Italian, Portuguese, Indonesian
It tells the story of Liz Gilbert, newly divorced and at a crossroads, who steps out of her comfort zone, embarking on a journey around the world that becomes a quest for self-discovery. In her travels, she discovers the true pleasure of nourishment by eating in Italy, the power of prayer in India, and, finally and unexpectedly, the inner peace and balance of love in Bali.

Table XIII

English title	The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel
Italian title	Marigold Hotel
Director	John Madden
Screenwriter	Ol Parker
Country of	United Kingdom
production	

Release year	2012
Running time	124 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Hindi
languages	
Plot	It features seven British retirees travelling to Jaipur, India, to take up residence in what they believe is a newly restored hotel, hosted by a young enthusiast Indian man, Sonny. Evelyn, newly widowed, wants low-cost experience; Graham seeks a man he loved many years before; Douglas and Jean have lost their pension in a family investment; Muriel needs cheap hip surgery; Madge seeks a rich husband; Norman is chasing women. Less luxurious than advertised, the Marigold Hotel and India itself nevertheless slowly begin to charm the seven British pensioners in different and unexpected ways, as stories cross and discoveries await each of them.

Table XIV

English title	The Hundred-Foot Journey
Italian title	Amore cucina e curry
Director	Lasse Hallström
Screenwriter	Steven Knight
Country of	United States
production	
Release year	2014
Running time	122 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Hindi, French
languages	
Plot	It tells the story of the Kadam family who move to a
	small town in France from India after a traumatic
	event to start a new life and open their restaurant
	Maison Mumbai; in the process, they are confronted
	by Madame Mallory, owner of a Michelin-star rated
	French restaurant Le Saule Pleureur (literally "the
	weeping willow") at just one-hundred-foot distance

across the street.	
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Table XV

English title	The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel
Italian title	Ritorno al Marigold Hotel
Director	John Madden
Screenwriter	Ol Parker
Country of	United Kingdom, United States
production	
Release year	2015
Running time	122 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Hindi
languages	
Plot	It portrays Sonny's attempt to pursue his expansionist dream of opening a second hotel while Evelyn and Douglas have joined the Jaipur workforce and are wondering where their regular dates for Chilla pancakes will lead, Norman and Carol are negotiating the tricky waters of an exclusive relationship, Madge juggles two eligible and very wealthy suitors, and Muriel, the newly installed co-manager of the hotel, is the keeper of everyone's secrets.

Table XVI

English title	My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2
Italian title	Il mio grosso grasso matrimonio greco 2
Director	Kirk Jones
Screenwriter	Nia Vardalos
Country of	United States
production	
Release year	2016
Running time	94 minutes
Main language	English
Major other	Greek
languages	
Plot	It portrays the Portokalos family after a few years,

with	Toula	still	working	in	her	parents'	Greek
restau	ırant, h	er dau	ghter Pari	s gr	owin	g up and	getting
ready	to grad	luate,	Toula and	l Iar	exp	eriencing	marital
issues	and T	Coula'	s parents	finc	ling	out they	are not
offici	ally ma	rried,	all this w	ith	the fa	amily's de	evotion
			ural traditi				

CHAPTER 2

CONVEYING ETHNOLINGUISTIC OTHERNESS THROUGH TURN-SPECIFIC AND INTERSENTENTIAL CODE-SWITCHING: RE-NARRATION VS RE-CREATION

2.1. Re-narrating turn-specific and intersentential code-switching through dubbing

As already briefly discussed in Chapter 1 (see 1.2.), the linguistic distinctive of contemporary multilingual. multicultural audiovisual products requires diverse translation modes for its satisfactory rendering when the films are distributed in foreign countries and dubbed for foreign audiences (cf. Heiss 2004; Corrius, Zabalbeascoa 2011; Zabalbeascoa, Voellmer 2014). This applies especially to films whose original multilingual dialogues are characterized by the pervasive presence of L3s in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching, that are deeply embedded in a sociocultural context often very far from the target audience's sociocultural environment. In these cases, the passage from the source language to the target language results to be particularly challenging and it often leads (part of) the original meaning to be displaced (Díaz Cintas 2012) and the status of the third languages spoken in the original version to undergo major changes when conveyed in the target version.

Indeed, due to the long-term difficulties inherent in the translation of polyglot films, the traditional tendency followed, at least until recently, in film translation industry in Italy has been to adhere to norms of monolingualism (Bleichenbacher 2008), involving local standardization (Pavesi 2005), explicitation (Toury 1995) and naturalization (Ulrych 2000), often leading to the elimination of the instances of language alternation practices in the films' Italian dubbed version. Dubbing is traditionally one of the most widespread modes for the translation of audiovisual texts that replaces "the original track of a film's (or any audiovisual text) source language dialogues with another track on which translated dialogues have been recorded in the target language" (Chaume 2012: 1). Compared to other audiovisual translation procedures, dubbing

results to be the method that interferes the most with the structure of the original film, an "assertion of the supremacy of the national language and its unchallenged political, economic and cultural power within the nation's boundaries" (Danan 1991: 612) that, especially when multilingual and multicultural films are at stake, either omits or alters foreign elements that are instead crucial to the films' integrity and formal architecture. As a fact, if dubbing historically erases the sound of foreign voices, when polyglot films are at stake it erases not only the coexistence of different languages (Heiss 2004; Corrius Gimbert 2005) that is at their core but also the specific ethnocultural dimension such linguistic diversity is inextricably tied to.

2.1.1. Domestication and local standardization

The dubbing policy often adopted bv Italian film translators/dialogue adaptors with regard to the rendering of L3s in multilingual discourse practices basically entails making the original product familiar to the target audience through domestication (Szarkowska 2005). This procedure traditionally holds negative connotations in its minimizing the foreigness of the source text (Venuti 1995) and, in the case of multilingual films, as already mentioned, it causes a crucial loss of authenticity as far as the films' essence is concerned; indeed, it hides the linguistic fusion of two or more distinct languages drawn together by cultural assimilation, levelling out linguistic differences between characters of different nationalities and with different mother tongues and leading the target version to be characterized by a sociocultural and "geographical underdifferentiation" (Pavesi 2008: 81) that is detrimental to the representation of the cross-linguistic, cross-cultural environments the original version instead depicts. As we will see, it is in particular in films representing immigrant communities that domestication crucially alters the portrayal of the immigrant characters, erasing any reference to their speech patterns and presenting them to the target audience as perfectly integrated in the European/American host society from the linguistic point of view and apparently not concerned with sticking to their background heritage through the use of their mother tongue in their daily interactions.

This is an aspect that clearly emerges from the empirical comparative analysis of the original version and of the Italian dubbed version of some of the films included in our corpus and revolving around the lives of immigrant families as *Ae Fond Kiss*, *Bend It Like Beckham* and

Real Women Have Curves, where the sense of foreigness provided by multilingualism and code-switching in the films' original version is often domesticated in their Italian dubbed version through a process of local standardization and sociocultural adaptation. Indeed, whereas in the original version the L3/we-code used by the immigrant characters in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching is always maintained unaltered at the spoken level and its meaning is either conveyed by means of interlingual subtitles in English or not provided, in the Italian dubbed version it is prevailingly dubbed into standard Italian and therefore flattened out.

In *Ae Fond Kiss*, domestication through dubbing results to be one of the strategies most recurrently adopted to render Punjabi (covering 74% of the total occurrences) as used, mainly as a means of self-identification, by the members of the Khan family, both within their family and with other members of their Pakistani community in Glasgow. This can be observed, for instance, when Mr Khan talks to one of his customers in his Pakistani corner-shop and Roisin, the Glaswegian Catholic girl his son Casim is in love with, enters the shop (1).

(1)

Female	Punjabi [Do you	Dove lo trovo il	Where can I find
customer	have any ghee ³ ?]	burro?	butter?
to Mr			
Khan			
Mr Khan	Punjabi [Yes, on	Lì sullo scaffale,	There on the
	that shelf. That	dentro la scatola,	shelf, in the box,
	big or the small	sullo scaffale. Eh,	on the shelf. Eh,
	one? That's one	quale confezione, la	which package,
	fifty]	piccola o la grande?	the small one or
			the big one?
Female	Punjabi [Should I	La grande.	The big one.
customer	put it there?]		
Mr Khan	Punjabi [Yes, put	Allora uno, ecco	One then, there
	it down there.	fatto, grazie.	you go, thanks.
	Thank you.]		
Mr Khan	Hi, dear.	Salve, cara.	Hi, dear.
to Roisin			

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³ A type of clarified butter mainly used in South Asian and Middle Eastern cuisines.

In the original dialogue, Mr Khan and his customer use Punjabi to convey a strong sense of belonging to their community, thus expressing convergence in their speech patterns that are highly representative of their common background heritage; furthermore, the foreign ethnicity of Mr Khan's customer is reinforced by the presence of the Hindi term *ghee* that is maintained unaltered also in the English open subtitles. These are crucial elements that find no voice in the Italian dubbed version, where the Pakistani characters speak Italian throughout the whole exchange. Another important aspect relevant to the use of code-switching that is lost in the Italian dubbed version is to be observed when Roisin approaches the shop counter to pay the can of cat food she took from a shelf and Mr Khan turnspecifically switches from Punjabi to English to address the girl. This marked language choice is possibly due to a twofold intention on the part of Mr Khan: on the one hand, his 'need' to use the they-code to immediately assign Roisin an identity 'other' from his own; on the other hand, his desire to project his own dual identity and to link two-language worlds of experience, i.e. the family-community environment as represented by Punjabi and the working place as represented by English, thus demonstrating that he has been capable of adapting to the Western society also from a linguistic point of view. But the linguistic diversification functioning as the linguistic correlative of the characters' belonging to different ethnicities, as well as the key ethnolinguistic and sociocultural connotations implied in their use of participant-related, situational code-switching, are expunged in the Italian dubbed version, where Punjabi/L3 loses its visibility in being translated into Italian/L2. Furthermore, the two versions often lack a correspondence in the exchanges at the level of both syntax and lexicon as the Italian dialogues partly alter the original contents in either omitting some sentences or rephrasing them, adding elements and meanings not to be found in the source dialogues.

In Ae Fond Kiss, another case in which code-switching's function of identity negotiation of the speaker in given communicative situations is not fulfilled in the film's Italian version is to be recognized when Casim accompanies his father to the mosque. In the original version, both Casim and his father use their we-code to exchange the traditional greeting used among Muslims "Peace be on you", then Mr Khan switches to English by means of metaphorical, discourse-related code-switching to thank his son, possibly considering the they-code both as the language Casim now recognizes as his vernacular and as the language he himself has assimilated

living in an English-speaking country, and then he switches again to Punjabi, by means of situational, participant-related code-switching, when greeting his Pakistani friends while entering the mosque (2).

(2)

Casim	Punjabi [Peace be	Che la pace sia con	Peace be upon
	upon you.]	te.	you.
Mr Khan	Punjabi [Peace be	Che la pace sia con	Peace be upon
	upon you.] Thanks.	te. Grazie figliolo, a	you. Thanks son,
		dopo.	see you later.
Mr Khan	Punjabi [How are		
to some	you? Everything		
men in	okay?]		
front of			
the			
mosque			

Whereas in the original version the meaning of the Punjabi utterances is faithfully rendered through open interlingual subtitles, the Italian version dubs Punjabi into Italian though adding an affectionate connotation to Mr Khan's first utterance, as he addresses Casim with the Italian pet name figliolo ("son") whose English equivalent is not to be found in the original version. But this addition does not sufficiently counterbalance the lack of the we-code as Mr Khan's Punjabi utterance when addressing the Pakistani men is omitted in the Italian version (see 2.1.4. for discussion on omission as a transfer mode) and the Italian viewers only hear voices in the background without really understanding what language is spoken. This manipulation in translation has a detrimental effect on the definition of Mr Khan's identity, as his using Punjabi with his Muslim friends as an unmarked choice clearly symbolizes the survival of his strong ethnolinguistic awareness, all the more so as he finds himself in front of a mosque, a place of worship but, above all, a place of aggregation that imposes the preservation of in-group linguistic practices. In this regard, the Italian audience is not made aware of another key function relevant to the use of code-switching, i.e. building and maintaining interpersonal relationships among members of a bilingual community sharing the same ethno-cultural identity.

A similar loss in cross-cultural and cross-linguistic transmission with regard to the connection between using the we-code and belonging to

a given community of practice, deeply rooted in a specific sociolinguistic heritage, can be observed in the Italian dubbed version of Real Women Have Curves. The protagonists of this film are Mexican-Americans, living and working in Los Angeles, who extensively use Spanish in their daily ingroup interactions, constantly switching from they-code to we-code to promote a sense of familial and ethnic solidarity, to remind family and community members of who they are and what they share with one another, thus crucially contributing to language and cultural maintenance in the host society. Whereas in the original version the Mexican immigrants' collective use of Spanish pervades the filmic dialogues, in the Italian dubbed version the consistent dubbing of the L3 in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching completely neutralizes the film's distinctive ethnolinguistic flavour (covering 100% of the total occurrences). This is to be observed, for instance, at the Garcías sewing factory, where the Mexican women co-workers' use of Spanish amplifies the expressive at hand as it creates an atmosphere of increased cohesion and friendliness among the interlocutors (3).

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(S)

Normita	Buenos días, doña	Buongiorno,	Good morning,
	Carmen. [Good	signora Carmen.	Mrs Carmen.
	morning, Mrs		
	Carmen.]		
Ana's	Ah, buenos días,	Ah, buongiorno	Ah, good
mother	Normita. Buenos	Norma. Buongiorno	morning, Norma.
	días, Panchita.	Panchita.	Good morning
	[Ah, good		Panchita.
	morning, Normita.		
	Good morning		
	Panchita.]		
Panchita	Doña Carmen,	Signora Carmen,	Mrs Carmen,
	¿cómo está usted?	come sta allora?	how are you
	[Mrs Carmen, how		then?
	are you?]		
Ana's	Muy bien, gracias.	Molto bene, grazie.	Very well, thank
mother	[Very well, thank		you.
	you.]		

In (3), in the original version spoken Spanish is maintained and its meaning is conveyed by means of open interlingual subtitles, whereas in the Italian dubbed version the source culture and the migrant community's internal relations are made invisible in the language of translation. This is clearly to be recognized also in many scenes set at the Garcías family home, for instance when Ana's mother enters the kitchen and greets Gorgonia, the family housekeeper, istinctively using Spanish (4).

(4)

Gorgonia	Buenos días. [Good	Buongiorno.	Good morning.
	morning.]		
Ana's	Buenos días,	Buongiorno,	Good morning,
mother	Gorgonia. ¿Cómo	Gorgonia, come hai	Gorgonia, how
	amaneciste? [Good	dormito?	did you sleep?
	morning, Gorgonia.		
	How did you		
	sleep?]		
Gorgonia	Bien, ¿y tú? [Okay,	Bene, e tu?	Well, and you?
	and you?]		
Ana's	¿Cómo crees, con	Tu che dici, con	What do you
mother	la artritis? [How	questa artrite?	think, with this
	do you think, with		arthritis?
	my arthritis?]		

The dubbing domesticating policy massively adopted in the Italian dubbed version of *Real Women Have Curves* causes the loss both of the sense of a shared identity felt by the Mexican characters and of the dual linguistic attitude also first-generation immigrants sometimes express in their discourse practices, as already observed in the case of Mr Khan in *Ae Fond Kiss* (see excerpt 1). This attitude can be recognized when Ana's mother adopts unmarked turn-specific and intersentential code-switching Spanish-English and vice versa to identify with both Mexican and American culture when talking with the women workers at the sewing factory (5) as well as with her daughter Ana (6).

(5)

Normita	Mami, Doña	Mami, la signora	Mommy, Mrs
	Carmen tiene	Carmen ha un	Carmen has a
	chisme. [Mommy,	pettegolezzo.	piece of gossip.
	Mrs Carmen has		

	gossip.]		
Carlota	Me encanta el	Vado matta per i	I'm crazy about
	chisme. [I love	pettegolezzi.	gossips.
	gossip.]		
Ana's	Eldorado Ortiz is	Eldorado Ortiz è	Eldorado Ortiz is
mother	secretly in love with	segretamente	secretly in love
	Rosalí.	innamorato di	with Rosalí.
		Rosalí.	
Rosalí	Qué horror. [That's	No, che orrore.	No, that's horrible.
	horrible.]		
Panchita	Ese viejo rabo	Quel vecchio	That dirty old
	verde parece	schifoso panzone	fatty looks like
	mango chupado.	sembra un cachi	a shrivelled-up
	[That dirty old man	spiaccicato.	mango.
	looks like a		
	shrivelled-up		
	mango.]		
Normita	Eldorado Ortiz está	Eldorado Ortiz è	Eldorado Ortiz is
	enamorado de	innamorato di	in love with
	Rosalí. [El Dorado	Rosalí.	Rosalí.
	Ortiz is in love with		
	Rosalí.]		

(6)

Ana's	Ay, Dios mío. Ni te	Ahi ahi, Dio mio.	Oh, my God.
mother	hagas ilusiones.	Non ti fare troppe	Don't delude
	[Oh, my God. Don't	illusioni. Non	yourself too much.
	even think about it.]	entrerai mai là	You'll never fit
	You'll never fit into	dentro, è una 46.	into that, it's a size
	that one. It's a size		7.
	7.		
Ana	Why do you always	Perchè devi fare	Why do you
	have to be like this?	sempre così?	always have to do
			like this?
Ana's	I only tell you for	Io lo dico solamente	I only tell for your
mother	your own good.	per il tuo bene.	own good. Look
	¡Mira no más!	Guarda qui!	here! Enormous!
	<i>¡Enormes!</i> [Look at	Enormi!	
	you! Enormous!]		

In (5) Ana's mother is the only speaker who uses English in the course of a conversation held in Spanish whereas in (6) she intersententially switches from Spanish to English and vice versa to show her ties with both her background heritage and the Western world she is now living in. In (6) Ana embodies the Western world also from the linguistic point of view, as she uses English throughout the whole exchange, thus reflecting the solution to the dilemma she faces in her life: she must decide between what her traditional Mexican mother wants her to do and what she herself knows would be best for her own nature, trying to balance the conflicting cultural values of the American middle class with the old-world principles highly valued by her parents, and, in this case, her choice of English represents what her final decision will be, i.e. to go to college notwithstanding her mother's opposition.

In Ae Fond Kiss and Real Women Have Curves also the use of the L3/we-code as highly expressive of the values and traditions governing family life and always at centre stage in the original filmic context is often domesticated in the Italian dubbed version. In Ae Fond Kiss this can be observed when Mr and Mrs Khan arrange a meeting between Casim and Jasmine, their Pakistani niece they have chosen as a wife for Casim but whom he refuses to marry (7).

(7)

Mrs Khan	Punjabi [Greet your	Andiamo. È un	Let's go. It's a
to Casim	aunt.]	segreto, una	secret, a surprise.
		sorpresa. Guarda un	Have a look.
		po'.	
Jasmine to	Punjabi [How are	Punjabi [Come	
Casim	you?]	stai?]	
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [Aren't you	Che fai tesoro, non	What's the
to Casim	going to answer?	le rispondi? Eh?	matter, honey,
	Won't you reply?]	Rispondi.	aren't you going
			to answer? Eh?
			Reply.
Jasmine's	Punjabi [Come	Punjabi [Vieni qui	Come here Casim
mother to	here, Casim. You're	Casim a conoscere	and meet your
Casim	looking well.]	tua zia. Sei un bel	aunt. You are a
		ragazzo.]	good-looking
			guy.
Jasmin to	Punjabi	Punjabi [Mamma.	Mom, he doesn't

her		Non mi vuole.]	want me.
mother	D 11150 1 1	D . 1. (D)	G. 1 G
Jasmine's	Punjabi [Stay here!	Punjabi [Rimani	Stay here. Come
mother to	It's nothing.]	qua. Dai, non è	on, it's nothing.
Jasmine		niente. Aspetta un	Wait a moment,
		attimo, non te ne	don't go away.
		andare.]	
[]			
Mrs Khan	<i>Punjabi</i> [What's	Non è carino da	It's not kind from
to Casim	this? You should	parte tua	you to behave like
	talk to them.]	comportarti così,	this, Casim. You
		Casim. Devi essere	should be nice
		gentile con loro.	with them.
Casim	Punjabi [How far	Da dove sono	Where did they
	have they come?]	venute?	come from?
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [From	Sono venute dal	They came from
	Pakistan.]	Pakistan.	Pakistan.
Casim	Punjabi [Why? I	Ma perché? Io ve	But why? I told
	don't understand.]	l'avevo detto che	you that I didn't
		non volevo!	want!
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [But they	Senti, lo sapevi	Listen, you knew
	came for the	benissimo che	very well that
	wedding.]	sarebbero venute	they would have
		per il matrimonio.	come for the
			wedding.
Casim	Punjabi [Whose	Quale matrimonio?	What wedding?
	wedding?]		
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [Yours!	Il tuo! Il tuo	Yours! Your
	With Jasmine.]	matrimonio con	wedding with
		Jasmine.	Jasmine.
Casim	Punjabi [When I	Cosa ti ho detto	What did I tell
	left, what did I	mamma quando	you mum when I
	say?]	sono andato via?	left?
Casim to	Dad, what did I say	Papà, che cosa ho	Dad, what did I
Mr Khan	before I left?	detto prima di	tell before I left?
		andarmene?	
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [But they	Ma loro non lo	But they don't
to Casim	don't know	sanno, loro non	know it, they
	anything! Let's go,	sanno niente.	don't know

	sit.]	parliamone con	anything. Come on, let's sit and talk calmly about it.
Casim	Punjabi [I don't	No, non voglio	No, I don't want
	want to.]	sedermi.	to sit.

The long and intense exchange in (7) highlights many interesting aspects as far as the rendering of the L3/we-code is concerned. First of all, we see that the Italian version maintains only the sentences in Punjabi uttered by Jasmine and her mother, conveying their meaning through open interlingual subtitles, a choice purposedly made also by the Italian translator/dialogue adaptor for the sake of the filmic context's credibility as it would have been unrealistic to make the two women, newly arrived from Pakistan, use English, the host society language they don't know. The rest of the conversation between Casim and her parents, held in Punjabi in the original version except for a question Casim asks her father in English, is dubbed into Italian, thus leading to the loss of code-switching's emotive, phatic as well as expressive function. Furthermore, some Italian lines do not correspond to what is said in Punjabi and conveyed in the original version by open subtitles; indeed, in some cases, the Italian dialogue adds lexical elements that assign different nuances of meaning to the speaker's utterances, as can be seen when Mrs Khan's first sentence when addressing Casim, i.e. "Greet your aunt", is conveyed in Italian by means of three sentences, "Andiamo. È un segreto, una sorpresa. Guarda un po" ("Let's go. It's a secret, a surprise. Have a look") which mainly aim to emphasize the woman's enthusiasm in introducing Casim to his aunt and, above all, to his wife-to-be. Such addition of elements not to be found in the original version is possibly due to the Italian translator's need to create a dialogue that is all the same consistent with the original scene's essence, in an attempt to compensate for the lack of the we-code.

In the Italian version of *Ae Fond Kiss* the loss of key aspects relevant to the principles at the core of the Khan family is clearly to be recognized also in the scene featuring Mrs Khan and Amar's parents praising each other's families and discussing the moral values their background heritage imposes on them (8).

(8)

(8)	T	<u> </u>	
Amar's	Punjabi [Whose	E questa chi è?	And who is this?
mother	photo is this?]		
((looking			
at a			
photo))			
Mrs Khan	J L J	Eh, quella ragazza è	
	niece, Casim's	mia nipote. È	
	fiancée, soon my		engaged with
	daughter-in-law.]	_ ·	Casim, soon she'll
		diventerà mia	become my
		nuora.	daughter-in-law.
Amar's	Very pretty, soft	Davvero? È molto	_
mother	eyes.	carina, ha degli	
		occhi dolcissimi.	has very soft eyes.
Mrs Khan	J L	l '	Yes, I have been
	beautiful, I'm lucky	fortunata. Trovare	•
	to have her as a	una ragazza così per	_
	daughter-in-law.]	il mio Casim.	my Casim.
[]			
Amar's	Punjabi [He did a	E poi ha fatto il	And then he did a
mother	Ph.D. at Boston	master	PhD at Boston
moniei			University. He is
	University. Now Molecular Biology	Boston. Adesso è	•
	at Manchester.]	diventato	Manchester
	at Manchester.	ricercatore	University, in
			Molecular
		Manchester, proprio	
		in Biologia	Diology.
		Molecolare.	
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [You're		You're really
wirs ixiiali	lucky. God gave you		
	a good boy.]	dato un ragazzo	you a very talented
	a good boy.]	pieno di talento.	boy.
Amar's	Punjabi [But his	Sì, certo, è così, ma	Yes, of course, it
father	mother put in a lot	bisogna riconoscere	is like that, but
Tauto	of effort. The first	i meriti della madre.	you should
	teachings are from	Si dice che i primi	recognize the
	cacinings are moni	bi dice che i pinin	recognize the

	the mother.]	veri insegnamenti	mother's merits.
		vengano dalle	They say the first
		madri.	real teachings
			come from
			mothers.
Mrs Khan	Punjabi	Sono d'accordo.	I agree.
Amar's	Punjabi [A child's	La buona o la	Good or bad fate
father	success depends on	cattiva sorte	also depend on the
	the mother. She put	dipendono anche	mother.
	in hard work to get	dalla madre.	
	him there.]		

In (8) in the original version the meaning of the spoken we-code is conveyed by means of open interlingual subtitles, whereas in the Italian version spoken Punjabi is replaced by Italian utterances that, in some cases, result to be longer and syntactically more complex than those appearing in the English open subtitles, as already observed in (7). This leads the Italian version to convey a slightly different characterization of the film's protagonists, either expressing ideas that do not correspond to those the characters give voice to in the original version or assigning the same concepts a different emphasis. This can be noticed, for instance, when Mrs Khan's statement "I'm lucky to have her as a daughter in law" is translated as "Trovare una ragazza così per il mio Casim" ("To find a girl like this for my Casim"), which underlines the fact that Jasmine was chosen as a wifeto-be for Casim by his parents rather than by Casim himself, a crucial aspect pertaining to the Pakistani tradition of arranged marriages that the original utterance does not express so clearly. Furthermore, Amar's mother statement "A child's success depends on the mother. She put in hard work to get him there" is abridged in the Italian version, which only stresses its first part translating it as "La buona o la cattiva sorte dipendono anche dalla madre" ("Good or bad fate depend also on the mother"), thus pointing out the key role a mother has in her children's destiny but omitting any reference to the hard work this usually requires.

The elimination of any hint to family traditions and sociocultural values as linguistically expressed by the use of the we-code, especially in the course of intimate family conversations, is consistenly to be observed also in the Italian dubbed version of *Real Women Have Curves*, as we can see when Ana's parents talk about her daughter and Ana's mother, in

particular, complains about Ana's rebelling against the norms and values their Mexican culture traditionally pressures women to follow (9).

(9)

(9)	T		T
Ana's	No quiere hacer el	Non vuole fare le	She doesn't want
mother	quehacer No	faccende Non	to do the
	limpia su cuarto, no	pulisce la sua	housework
	lava la ropa No	camera, non vuole	She doesn't clean
	hace de comer	lavare i panni	her room, she
	Puros problemas	Non fa da	doesn't want to
	me da. [She doesn't	mangiare Mi dà	do laundry She
	do her chores She	solo un mucchio di	doesn't cook
	doesn't clean her	problemi.	She only gives
	room, she doesn't		me plenty of
	do laundry She		trouble.
	doesn't cook she		
	gives me plenty of		
	trouble.]		
Ana's father	Carmencita, Ana no	Cara, Ana non ti dà	Dear, Ana
	te da tantos	poi tanti problemi.	doesn't give you
	problemas. Mira, su	Hai visto? Il suo	so many troubles.
	maestro está bien	insegnante è	Did you see? Her
	contento con ella. Si	veramente	teacher is very
	racemo un esfuerzo,	soddisfatto di lei. Se	happy with her.
	creo que podemos	facciamo uno sforzo	If we make an
	ayudarla a ir a la	credo che possiamo	effort I believe
	Universidad para	aiutarla ad andare al	we can help her
	que se eduque.	college così riceverà	get into college
	[Carmencita. Ana	un'istruzione.	so that she will
	doesn't give you		get an education.
	that much trouble.		
	Look, her teacher is		
	very happy with		
	her. If we make an		
	effort I believe we		
	can help her get into		
	college, to get an		
	education.]		
Ana's	Yo la puedo educar.	Gliela do io	I give her an
mother	Yo le enseño a	l'istruzione. Io le	education. I teach
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	coser. Le enseño a	insegno a cucire. Io	her how to sew. I
	criar a sus hijos y	le insegno come si	teach her how to
	atender a su	fa a crescere i figli.	raise children
	marido. Esas cosas	A prendersi cura del	and take care of
	no le van a enseñar	marito. Queste cose	one's husband.
	ahí en el colegio. [I	non gliele insegnano	Those are things
	can teach her. I can	al college.	they won't teach
	teach her to sew. I		her at college.
	can teach her to		
	raise her kids and		
	take care of her		
	husband. Those are		
	things they won't		
	teach her in school.]		
Ana's father	Está bien, se puede	Querida, c'è sempre	Querida, there's
	casar después. [It's	tempo per sposarsi.	always time to
	all right, she can get		get married.
	married later.]		

In (9), whereas the original version breathes with Hispanic culture, exemplified by Mrs García's use of Spanish, in the Italian version there is only one Spanish word, i.e. the affectionate term of address *querida* that Ana's father uses when addressing his wife at the end of their dialogue and that is not to be found in the original version. This peculiar lexical and stylistic choice may be due to a sort of compensation strategy adopted by the Italian translator/dialogue adaptor in order to, at least partially, express the sense of the speakers' involvement as well as their ethnic identity but this procedure certainly does not succeed in conveying the emotive and sociocultural connotations the use of the we-code crucially entails in the original dialogue.

In the same film, the importance of family traditions as conveyed by the use of the we-code is likewise lost in the Italian dubbed version in the scene featuring the Garcías celebrating Ana's birthday with all the family members addressing one another using Spanish in the course of a conversation characterized by very affectionate tones (10).

(10)

Cousin 1	Anita. Ven. [Come.]	Ana. Vieni.	Ana. Come.
Ana	What?	Che c'è?	What's the matter?

Cousin 1	No preguntes por	Non chiedere che	Don't ask why,
	gué. Tú solo ven. Te	c'è, vieni e basta.	just come. I want
	tengo que enseñar	Voglio farti vedere	to show you
	algo. [Don't ask	una cosa.	something.
	why. Just come, I		
	need to show you		
	something.]		
Ana	All right.	D'accordo.	Okay.
Cousin 1	Ándale, apúrale.	Dai, sbrigati.	Come on, hurry
	[Come on, hurry		up.
	up.]		
Ana's	¡Felicidades!	Auguri!	Congratulations!
family	[Congratulations!]		
Ana's aunt	¡Felicidades, Anita!	Auguri, Anita,	Congratulations,
	¡Felicidades!	auguri, auguri!	Anita,
	¡Felicidades!		congratulations,
	[Congratulations,		congratulations!
	Anita!		
	Congratulations!		
	Congratulations!]		
Ana	Gracias, primos.	Grazie.	Thanks.
	[Thank you,		
	cousins!]		
Ana's	Muchas felicidades,	Tanti meravigliosi	Many wonderful
grandfather	Ana [All the	auguri	wishes
	happiness, Ana]		
Ana	Abuelito	Ah nonnino	Ah grandpa
	[Grandpa]		
Ana's	por muchos años.	e mille di questi	and many happy
grandfather	Mira. Mira tu	giorni. Guarda.	returns of this day.
	pastelote. [for	Guarda quanto è	Look. Look how
	many years. Look.	grande il tuo	big is your cake.
	Look at your big	dolce.	
	cake.]		

The Garcías' 'language of the heart' disappears in the Italian version where local standardization in dubbing deletes any reference to the strength of family ties as recurrently reinforced by the use of the we-code in the

original dialogue. From a general point of view, as far as immigrants' language practices are concerned, the loss of this distinctive aspect is particularly to be felt when the conversation is held by family members who are originally portrayed as we-code-only speakers, as they don't know the language of the host society. This is the case with Ana's grandfather, who only speaks Spanish in the film's original version, a linguistic behaviour that leads also his interlocutors to use the we-code in order to allow communication. In *Real Womes Have Curves*, the linguistic convergence to the we-code enacted by the Garcías as an unmarked language choice can be observed in many family interactions in the film's original version, e.g. in a conversation among Ana, her father and her grandfather, who is telling her granddaughter a Mexican legend (11); in an exchange between Ana's father and grandfather while playing cards (12); in an interaction among Ana's grandfather, Ana's mother and a cousin of theirs (13).

(11)

Ana's	¿Te acuerdas de	Ti ricordi	Do you
grandfather	nuestro oro cerca de	dell'oro vicino	remember the
	nuestro pueblo en las	al nostro	gold close to our
	sierras? Había una	villaggio? Nella	hometown?
	cueva llena de oro.	sierra c'era una	There was a
	[Do you remember	grotta piena	cave full of gold
	our gold close to	d'oro.	in the sierra.
	our hometown, near		
	the hills? There was a		
	cave full of gold.]		
Ana's	Papá, esas son puras	Dai, papa,	Come on, papa,
father	leyendas. [Papa,	queste sono	these are only
	those are only	soltanto	legends, you
	legends.]	leggende, lo sai.	know it.
Ana's	¿Y los hombres que	E quegli uomini	And those men
grandfather	vieron la cueva y el	che videro la	who saw the
	oro? [And the men	grotta e l'oro?	cave and the
	who saw the cave and		gold
	the gold?]		
Ana's	Ese oro no existe,	Quell'oro non	The gold
father	viejito. [The gold	esiste, sei	doesn't exist,
	doesn't exist, Dad.]	fissato.	you are
			obsessed.

A	A1. 1.	D-! '	C
Ana	Abuelito, cúentame	Dai nonnino,	Come on
	del tesoro. [Grandpa,	raccontami del	grandpa, tell me
	tell me about the	tesoro.	about the
	treasure.]		treasure.
Ana's	Mira, hace muchos	Ma certo.	Of course.
grandfather	años, durante la	Ascolta, tanto	Listen, a long
	Revolución, la gente	tempo fa,	time ago, during
	escondía su oro en	durante la	the Revolution,
	las cuevas de las	Rivoluzione, la	people would
	montañas. Después	gente	hide their gold
	de la Revolución,	nascondeva	in the caves in
	corrió un rumor de	l'oro nelle grotte	the mountains
	que había una cueva	delle montagne	and, after the
	llena de oro cerca de	e, dopo la	Revolution,
	nuestro pueblo.	rivoluzione,	there was a
	Dentro de la cueva,	correva voce che	rumour that
	había en la pared un	c'era una grotta	there was a cave
	letrero pintado que	piena zeppa	full of gold, just
	decía, "Este oro no	d'oro, proprio	close to our
	podrá ser entregado	vicino al nostro	hometown.
	sino a un hombre de	villaggio. Dentro	Inside the cave,
	corazón puro". Yo	la grotta, sulla	there was a sign
	siempre quise	parete, c'era	painted on the
	encontrar ese oro.	disegnata una	wall that said:
	[Many years ago,	scritta che	"This gold can
	during the	diceva "Questo	only be given to
	Revolutionpeople	oro potrà essere	a man with a
	would hide their gold	consegnato	pure heart". And
	in the caves in the	unicamente a un	I always wanted
	mountains. After the	uomo dal cuore	to find that gold.
	Revolution, there was	puro". E io ho	
	a rumor that there	sempre	
	was a cave full of	desiderato	
	goldclose to our	trovare	
	hometown. Inside the	quell'oro.	
	cave there was a	1	
	sign painted on the		
	wall, that said: "This		
	gold can only be		
	gold can only be		

taken by a man with a	
pure heart". I always	
wanted to find that	
gold.]	

(12)

Ana's	Gracias, mi amor.¿A	Grazie, amore	Thank you, my
father	quién le toca? [Thank	mio. A chi	love. Whose
	you, darling. Whose	tocca?	turn is it?
	turn is it?]		
Ana's	A mi. Aquí tienes mi	A me, dammi le	Mine, give me
grandfather	ficha. [Mine. Here is	fiche.	the fiche.
	my fiche.]		

(13)

Ana's grandfather to Ana	Tu mama está preguntando por ti, mija. [Your mother is	C'è tua madre che ti sta cercando,	There's your mother who is looking for you,
	waiting for you,	tesoro mio.	honey.
	dear.]		
Ana's	Ana!	Ana!	Ana!
mother			
Cousin 1	Tu mama está un	Tua madre sta	Your mother is
	poco zafada. [Your	dando i numeri.	going crazy.
	mother is a little		
	crazy.]		

What excerpts (11), (12), (13) clearly illustrate is that the Italian version, in translating all occurrences of the spoken L3 into the spoken L2, not only dissolves the original scenes' ethnolinguistic essence but also, and crucially, misrepresents the characters and, in particular, Ana's grandfather, whose exclusive use of the we-code in the original version is due to his lack of knowledge of the they-code, an aspect distinctive of his linguistic identity that is never disclosed to the Italian audience.

2.1.2. Explicitation in translation

In the Italian version of some of the films under investigation,

dubbing the L3 in instances of turn-specific and intersentential codeswitching also often implies processes of explicitation in translation, i.e. a peculiar translation procedure that consists in making explicit in the target language what remains linguistically implicit in the source language (cf. Vinay & Darbelnet 1958), and considered by many scholars as a sort of universal strategy inherent in the translation process itself (cf. Blum-Kulka 2000: Klaudy 2004: Hansen-Schirra, Neumann, Steiner 2007). Even though it primarily aims at making the original script more accessible to the target audience, in the case of multilingual films it is mostly combined with the elimination of the L3, which is instead maintained unaltered and not translated by means of open interlingual subtitles in the original version. Such translation mode clearly removes important aspects of crosslinguistic and cross-cultural communication that are instead vital in the multilingual discourse practices distinctive of the on-screen multiethnic and immigrant groups of speakers and, in a sense, often seems to be due to the Italian film translator/dialogue adaptor's attempt to identify with the European/American screenwriter, to imagine how the dialogue would have been structured had it been complete and fully expressed in the original version, and to consequently create a coherent text sometimes adding nuances of meaning to further involve the target audience (Monti 2016). Notwithstanding these positive goals, this transfer procedure inevitably implies an act of manipulation, as it massively interferes with the structure of the original script, minimizing the key role of the source culture and obfuscating both foreign identities and in-group linguistic dynamics. In our corpus of films, elimination of the L3 implying explicitation in translation can be observed, in particular, in the Italian dubbed version of such films revolving around immigrant families and communities as Ae Fond Kiss (covering 18% of the total occurrences) and Bend It Like Beckham (covering 55% of the total occurrences).

In Ae Fond Kiss an interesting instance of explicitation can be recognized in the first scene, featuring Tahara and her father in front of the man's corner-shop (14).

(14)

Tahara	What's this?	Che vuoi fare?	What do you want
			to do?
Mr Khan	Punjabi	Ci penso io, lascia	I'll deal with it,
		stare.	get over it.

In (14), whereas Tahara, a second-generation immigrant, uses English to address her father as a sign of her being fully integrated in the Western society, the man replies using Punjabi, which is left untranslated in the original version and is dubbed into Italian in the Italian version; if this procedure, on the one hand, completes the dialogue for the sake of comprehension on the part of the Italian audience, on the other hand it fails in conveying the key sociocultural aspects the unmarked use of the we-code in family conversations entails.

In the same film, elimination of the L3 as combined with explicitation is to be observed when greetings are at stake, as we can see when Casim greets his mother and Amar at his arrival home (15).

(15)

Casim	Punjabi	Come va, tutto	How are things, is
		bene?	everything fine?
Amar	Punjabi	Bene, grazie.	Fine, thanks.
Casim to	Punjabi	Ciao, mamma,	Hi, mum, here I am.
Mrs		eccomi.	
Khan			
Mrs	Punjabi	Oh, ben tornato. È	Oh, welcome back.
Khan		andato tutto bene?	Has everything gone
			well?
Casim	Punjabi	Tutto bene, grazie.	Everything all right,
		Che la pace sia con	thanks. Peace be on
		te.	you.

In (15), though the Italian dialogues are made up of explanatory sentences clarifying the original conversation's contents, we cannot say with any degree of certainty whether such sentences are equivalent to what is actually said in Punjabi or not, as no L1 translating the L3 appears in the original version.

As illustrated in (14) and (15), the spoken we-code is eliminated and its meaning is made explicit in Italian especially in instances of turn-specific code-switching. This is extensively to be observed also in the Italian version of *Bend It Like Beckham* (16-20).

(16)

Pinky	I'll get it!	Vado io!	I'll get it!
Mr	Punjabi	Ma chi è a	Who's at this time?

Bhamra		quest'ora?	
(17)			
Mr	The dinner's	La cena è pronta?	Is dinner ready?
Bhamra	ready?		
Mrs	Punjabi	Quasi.	Almost.
Bhamra			
Mr	Punjabi	Allora perché non	So why don't we
Bhamra		mangiamo?	eat?
(18)	1		
Mr	Punjabi	Andiamo. Tu sali. A	Come on. You go
Bhamra		casa facciamo i	up. At home we'll
to Jess		conti.	settle the score.

(19)			
Teet's	Punjabi	Andiamo.	Let's go.
mother			
Teet's	Look, we're not	Noi non vogliamo	We don't want to
father	trying to cause	creare problemi, ma	cause troubles, but
	trouble. It's just	abbiamo ritenuto	we felt it our duty to
	that, well, we felt it	nostro dovere	tell you.
	our duty to tell you.	dirvelo.	
Teet's	Punjabi	Su, lascia stare.	Come on, leave it.
mother			
Teet's	Punjabi	Ora la cosa riguarda	Now the issue
father		la vostra famiglia.	concerns our family.

(20)			
Mrs	And that's why	È colpa tua se è	It's your fault if she
Bhamra	she's ready to go	pronta andare fino	is ready to go all the
	all the way to	in America adesso!	way to America
	America now!		now!
Tony's	Punjabi	Poveri noi, non è	Poor us, it's not

possibile!

possible!

As excerpts (16-20) illustrate, though explicitation mainly aims at completing the Italian dialogues, a different translation solution, i.e.

mother

maintaining the spoken L3/we-code unaltered and untranslated also in the Italian version, would have effectively increased the dialogues' original impact as conveyed by the use of the we-code.

2.1.3. Generational conflicts 'solved' in dubbing

The dubbing practices frequently adopted in the Italian version of *Ae Fond Kiss*, *Bend It Like Beckham* and *Real Women Have Curves* (as observed in 2.1.1. and 2.1.2.) deprive the films' Italian version of another important aspect relevant to the uses and functions of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching, i.e. its being related to different generational speech patterns and to non-reciprocal language use that show psychological distance between first- and second-generation immigrants (Monti 2010, 2014, 2016). Such non-reciprocal language use is to be observed in the course of family conversations disclosing the speakers' most intimate feelings as well as in the course of generational conflicts during which the parents' use of the we-code mainly aims to express their anger and disappointment when their sons/daughters break home tradition rules that they should instead respect.

Whereas the ideological and behavioural models governing the different intergenerational discourse practices are always clearly outlined in the films' original version, where the meaning of the spoken we-code is either conveyed by open subtitles in English or not provided (and then made explicit in the Italian version), the connection between using the we-code and belonging to the older generations, which is in turn related to matters of authority and respect, is often not carried over in the Italian dubbed version, as the they-code/we-code dialogues are mostly translated into standard Italian. The Italian version thus fails in expressing the competing visions of the world held by the two generations, something that is instead always illustrated in the original version by the juxtaposition of we-code and they-code across conversational turns.

The lack of distinctive generational speech patterns is extensively to be observed in the Italian version of *Real Women Have Curves*, where the symbolic values entailed in generational non-reciprocal language use, especially in instances of turn-specific code-switching, are lost in dub (covering 43% of the total occurrences). An example of this can be recognized when Ana's mother makes some comments in Spanish while watching a soap opera with Ana's grandfather: when Ana arrives and joins

the conversation, she addresses her mother turn-specifically switching from Spanish to English (21).

(21)

(21)		Γ	l
Ana's mother	Se acabó. Y con esa música quieren salir en la televisión. [It's finished. With that music, they want to get on TV.]	Meno male, è finito. E con questa musica vogliono andare in televisione.	Thank God, it's finished. And with this music, they want to go on TV.
Ana's grandfather	Necesitan mejorar un poquito. [They need to improve a little bit.]	Effettivamente dovrebbero un pochino migliorare.	In fact they should improve a little bit.
Ana's mother	Sí, yo diría. [Yeah, I'd say.]	Sarà dura.	It'll be tough.
[]			
Ana's mother	Ay, Estela, Ana, de la que se perdieron en la novela, Los Pobres Lloran Más. [Estela, Ana, you really missed something in the soap opera The Poor Cry More.]	Ah Estela, Ana, vi siete perse la puntata di I poveri piangono sempre di più.	Ah Estela, Ana, you missed the episode of The Poor Cry More.
Ana	Mom, I don't watch Spanish soap operas.	Mamma, io non guardo quelle porcate televisive.	Mom, I don't watch those television pieces of crap.

In (21), Ana's use of English is highly symbolic of her considering herself more American than Mexican, something that is also semantically implied in her statement "Mom, I don't watch Spanish soap operas", which is

translated into Italian with a derogatory sentence "Mamma, io non guardo quelle porcate televisive" ("Mom, I don't watch those television pieces of crap"), clearly expressing Ana's dislike for a TV programme that her mother instead appreciates as peculiar to her Mexican sociocultural heritage.

Also the final scene of *Real Women Have Curves*, when Ana is accompanied to the airport by her father and grandfather to go to Columbia University, loses, in the Italian version, the original connotations related to non-reciprocal generational speech patterns, as the whole dialogue is translated into Italian with no hint to the generational clash, which is instead exemplified, in the original version, by the fact that Ana is the only character who uses English within a conversation entirely held in Spanish (22).

(22)

Ana's grandfather	No te preocupes por mí. Tú siempre estarás dentro de mi corazón. [Don't worry about me. You'll always be in my heart.]	Non preoccuparti per me, tu sarai per sempre nel mio cuore, Anita.	Don't worry about me, you'll always be in my heart, Anita.
Ana	Thank you, Papa.	Grazie, papa.	Thanks, papa.
Ana's	Cuídate mucho,	Cerca di stare bene,	Take care, my
father	hijita. [Take care,	figlia mia.	child.
	sweetie.]		

In the films whose main focus is the ideological conflict between different generations, the pervasive use of the we-code in the original version is also conducive to increase the emotive implications of intimate conversations between mothers and daughters. In *Real Women Have Curves* it is often when Ana and her mother quarrel that the non-reciprocal use of we-code and they-code proves to be crucial as the linguistic correlative of their ideological division; indeed, whereas Ana's mother consistently uses the we-code throughout the whole film, Ana expresses herself mostly in English, a linguistic attitude that hints at the disconnection between herself and her background culture and, most importantly, at the lack of communication characterizing her relationship

with her mother. The language barrier between Ana and Carmen also raises other conflicts due to their disagreement, ultimately leading them to increasingly grow apart in their beliefs. As a fact, as already mentioned, Ana struggles with the gender role established by Mexican culture and challenges its norms consistently using the they-code both as a sign of her American identity and as an act of rebellion against the limits set by her background culture and, also linguistically, personified by her mother. In excerpts (23) and (24), Ana's use of English clearly proves to be her personal way to assert her own positions against her mother's imposing attitude.

(23)

Ana	Okay, amá, what's	Va bene, mamma,	Okay, mom,
	wrong? Is it your	che succede?	what's wrong? Is
	legs?	Sono le gambe?	it your legs?
Ana's	Sí.	Sì.	Yes.
mother			
Ana	What about your	E anche la	And your back
	back?	schiena?	too?
Ana's	Sí.	Sì.	Yes.
mother			
Ana	And your head?	E la testa?	And the head?
Ana's	También. [Yeah, that,	La testa.	The head.
mother	too.]		
Ana	And how's your	E come va	And how's your
	hearing?	l'udito?	hearing?
Ana's	¿Qué? [What?]	Che?	What?
mother			
Ana	Today's my last day	Oggi è il mio	Today is my last
	of high school, I'm	ultimo giorno di	day of school,
	not gonna miss that.	scuola, mamma, e	mom, and I
		ti assicuro che non	assure you that
		me lo perderò.	I'm not going to
			miss it.
Ana's	Malagradecida.	Maledetta ingrata.	Damned
mother	[Ungrateful.]		ungrateful
			wretch.

(24)

Ana's	¿Adónde vas?	Ma dove vai?	But where are
mother	¿Adónde demonios	Dove accidenti	you going?
	vas? Yo ya no puedo	vai? Non ce la	Where the hell
	más. Ya estoy muy	faccio più. Sono	are you going? I
	vieja para estos	troppo vecchia per	can't take it
	trotes. Yo no sé para	queste corse. Non	anymore. I'm too
	qué trabajo. Mis	so più per cosa	old for these
	manos están	lavoro. Le mie	things. I don't
	artríticas. Y me estoy	mani sono	know why I'm
	quedando ciega de	artritiche. E sto	working
	tanta costura.	diventando cieca a	anymore. My
	[Where are you	furia di cucire.	hands have
	going? Where the		arthritis. And I'm
	hell are you going? I		going blind from
	can't take it anymore.		so much sewing.
	I'm too old for this. I		_
	don't know why I'm		
	working. My hands		
	have arthritis. And		
	I'm going blind from		
	so much sewing.]		
Ana	Yeah, amá, I know.	Sì, mamma, lo so.	Yes, mom, I
	Okay. Everybody	Va bene. Lo	know. Okay. We
	knows.	sappiamo tutti.	all know it.
Ana's	¡No me toques!	Non toccarmi!	Don't touch me!
mother	¡Lárgate! Si quieres	Vattene! Se	Go away! If you
	ir, ¡lárgate!	proprio vuoi	want to go away,
	¡Lárgate! ¿Qué? ¿Te	andartene, vattene!	go away! Go
	avergüenzas	Vattene! Che c'è?	away! What's the
	conmigo? ¿Te da	Ti vergogni di me,	matter? You are
	vergüenza trabajar	dì la verità. Ti	ashamed of me,
	con nosotras? Tanto	vergogni di	aren't you? Are
	lomo, tanto	lavorare con noi?	you ashamed to
	sacrificio ¿Y todo	Quanto lavoro,	work with us? So
	para qué? Para	quanto sacrificio.	much work, so
	ustedes. Tú piensas	E tutto questo per	much sacrifice.
	que solo soy un	cosa? Per voi. Tu	And all this for
	perro para trabajar.	pensi che io sia un	what? For you.

	[Don't touch me!	povero mulo	You think I'm
	Leave! If you want	buono solo a	only a poor beast
	to leave, leave!	lavorare.	of burden.
	Leave! What? Am I		
	embarrassing you?		
	Are you ashamed to		
	work with us? So		
	much effort, so much		
	sacrifice And all		
	for what? For you.		
	You only think I'm a		
	beast of burden.]		
Ana	Mom, come on let's	No mamma, avanti	No mom, come
	go. Let's go back,	Andiamo.	on. Let's go.
	come on.	Torniamo indietro,	Let's go back,
		forza.	come on.

As we can notice in (23) and (24), the original version clearly conveys the linguistic distance between mother and daughter as spoken Spanish is always left unaltered, whereas the Italian version removes all instances of turn-specific code-switching and eliminates the two instances of intrasentential code-switching to be observed when Ana switches from English to Spanish in addressing her mother with the term *amá* ("mum"), thus also erasing the affectionate (and sociocultural) connotations the use of this term implies (see 3.3. for in-depth discussion on the elimination of sociocultural references in instances of intrasentential code-switching). Similar translation choices in (non-)rendering generational speech patterns can be recognized also when Estela, Ana's older sister, interacts with her mother (25).

(25)

(-0)			
Estela	Amá, are you doing	Mamma, stai	Mom, are you
	your work?	facendo il tuo	doing your duty?
		dovere?	
Ana's	Sí, mi general.	Sì, generale.	Yes, my general.
mother			

The sociocultural and ethnolinguistic implications of non-reciprocal language use across generations, in cases of turn-specific code-switching,

are often lost also in the Italian version of *Ae Fond Kiss* (covering 34% of the total occurrences) in particular when the Khans discuss important family and community issues; this can be seen in an exchange among Mrs Khan, Amar's mother, Ruckhsana and Amar (26).

(26)

(=0)			
Amar's	Punjabi [Children	I figli sono così,	Children are like
mother	are like that, they're	cambiano sempre	this, they always
	always changing	idea, un giorno	change their mind,
	their minds.]	vogliono fare una	one day they want
		cosa, il giorno dopo	to do one thing,
		un'altra.	the following day
			they want to do
			another thing.
Mrs	Punjabi [Rukhsana	Rukhsana si occupa	Rukhsana is also
Khan	teaches the	anche attivamente	actively involved
	community aerobics.	della comunità.	in the community.
	Always exercising.	Insegna aerobica qui	She teaches
	Look at her figure!]	vicino. Si esercita in	aerobics not far
		continuazione,	from here. She's
		infatti guardate che	always exercising,
		bel corpo le è	look at her
		venuto.	beautiful body.
Rukhsana	Mommy!	Mamma, che dici?	Mum, what are
			you saying?
Amar	Aerobics?	Aerobica?	Aerobics?
Rukhsana	Yeah, yeah.	Già.	Yes.
Amar	All right. Do you	Ah, sì. E ti piace?	Oh, yes. And do
	enjoy that?		you like it?
Rukhsana	It's okay, it's good	Abbastanza. La cosa	It's okay. The
	to do some volun-	che mi appaga di	thing that satisfies
	voluntary work in	più è fare	me most is doing
	the, in the	volontariato e dare	some voluntary
	communities.	una mano alla	work and helping
		comunità.	the community.

What immediately stands out in (26) is that, in the original version, Amar's mother and Mrs Khan use only Punjabi (left unaltered at the spoken level with its meaning conveyed in English open subtitles) whereas Ruckhsana

and Amar use only English as the linguistic emblem of their Western identity. The Italian version, on the other hand, replaces spoken Punjabi with standard Italian, thus neutralizing the crucial connections between we-code/first-generation and they-code/second-generation, which likewise disappear when Ruckhsana and Amar announce their marriage to Casim and Mrs Khan uses Punjabi during a conversation entirely held in English (27).

(27)

Mrs Khan	Punjabi [Tell him	Allora, diglielo.	Come on, tell him
to	the good news.]		
Rukhsana			
Casim	What happened?	Cosa è successo?	What happened?
Rukhsana	Tried to phone you	Ho provato a	I tried to call you
	so many times but	chiamarti tanto sul	many times on
	your mobile was	cellulare ma era	your mobile but it
	off or something, I	spento e allora,	was off and then,
	don't know and	indovina un po'?	guess what?
	guess what?		
Casim	What?	Cosa?	What?
Rukhsana	You tell him.	Diglielo tu!	You tell him!
to Amar			
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [Tell him	Dagli la notizia, che	Tell him the news,
	the news.]	aspetti?	what are you
			waiting for?
Casim	Mom!	Mamma!	Mom!
Amar to	I think you should	Dovresti dirglielo	You should tell
Rukhsana	tell him.	tu.	him.
Rukhsana	You tell him.	Ma no, diglielo tu!	No, you tell him.
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [Tell him!]	Glielo volete dire?	Do you want to
to			tell him?
Rukhsana			
Casim	What is it?	Ma cosa?	But what?
Rukhsana	We're getting	Noi ci sposiamo!	We're getting
	married.		married!
[]			
Casim to	Mom, you must be	Mamma, sei felice,	Mom, are you
Mrs Khan	so happy.	vero?	happy, aren't you?
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [Yes, I	Felice, felicissima!	Happy, very

tried to call you	Non sai quante	happy! You don't
many times.]	volte ho provato a	know how many
	chiamarti per	times I tried to call
	dirtelo.	you to tell you.

In Ae Fond Kiss, another noteworthy example of the elimination of any reference to intergenerational discourse practices and to their sociocultural implications is to be recognized when Casim finds the courage to tell his mother that he cannot marry Jasmine as he is in love with Roisin, an Irish girl (28).

(28)

Casim	Punjabi [I can't do	Mamma, non posso	Mum, I cant't do
	it.]	farlo.	it.
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [What?]	Che cosa?	What?
Casim	Punjabi [I know	Io lo so tutto quello	I know all that you
	you're preparing	che state facendo	are doing for me.
	things for me.]	per me.	
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [What can't	Che cos'è che non	What is that you
	you do?]	puoi fare?	cannot do?
Casim	Punjabi	Non posso.	I can't.
Mrs Khan	Punjabi	Che cosa?	What?
Casim	Punjabi [I can't get	Io non posso	I can't get married.
	married.]	sposarmi.	
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [How can I	Eh? Che gli dico a	Eh? What do I tell
	tell your aunt now?]	tua zia adesso?	your aunt now?
		Sembravi così	You looked so
		contento.	happy.
Casim	I can't go ahead	Non posso farlo.	I can't do it.
	with it, mom.		
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [This is not	Non ci si comporta	You cannot
((crying))	good. What will	così. E Jasmine che	behave like this.
	Jasmine do? This	cosa farà? La	And what is
	will shame us.]	vergogna cadrà su	Jasmine going to
		di noi.	do? Shame will
			fall upon us.
Casim	I'll sell the car. I'll	Venderò la	I'll sell the car, I'll
((crying))	give you all the	macchina, vi ridarò	give you back all
	money back for the	tutti i soldi che	the money you

	extension. I can't go	avete speso per la	spent for the
	ahead with it.	casa, ma non ce la	house, but I can't
		faccio.	do it.
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [What has	Ma cosa è successo?	But what's
	happened? If you	Che succede? Se	happened? What's
	don't tell me, how	non mi dici che è	the matter? If you
	will I know?]	successo, come	don't tell me
		faccio a capire?	what's happened,
			how can I
			understand?
Casim	I'm going to go stay	Vado a stare da	I'm going to stay
((crying))	with Hammid.	Hammid per un po'	at Hammid's for a
		di tempo.	while.
Mrs Khan	Punjabi [What will	E io che cosa devo	And what shall I
((crying))	I do? My son, what	fare? Figlio mio,	do? My son, what
	will I do?]	che devo fare?	shall I do?

In (28) Mrs Khan uses only Punjabi throughout the whole exchange, adopting the we-code that 'has' to be used when it comes to family matters, whereas Casim initially conforms to his mother's linguistic code but then switches from Punjabi to English. The pervasive presence of turnspecific code-switching in the original version implies key issues with regard to the generational clash and, in particular, to the relationship between mother and son. Indeed, the first part of this emotionally intense exchange concerns the choices Casim's parents made for him (i.e. the choice of a good Pakistani girl as his wife-to-be) and therefore requires the use of Punjabi as the language encoding the Indian traditions according to which these choices have been made (i.e. the tradition of arranged marriages). On the other hand, the second part of the conversation regards the choices Casim intends to make independently from his family (i.e. to go and live with Roisin) and these are choices that take him away from his sociocultural background, leading him to express his adherence to Western society also from a linguistic point of view.

The erasure of the L3 within intergenerational linguistic dynamics is also sometimes combined with manipulation in the Italian monolingual dialogues, as can be seen in another scene of *Ae Fond Kiss* where non-reciprocal language use is the dominant speech pattern in the original version (29).

(29)

Mom?	Mammal Mammal	Mom! Mom!
MOIII?		
	Mamma	Mom
Punjabi [Yes?]	Che c'è?	What's wrong?
Got to go to	Devo andare a	I've got to go to
London for a few	Londra per qualche	London for a few
days.	giorno.	days.
Punjabi [Why?]	Perché?	Why?
We may have a	Serve un	We need a backer
backer for the club.	finanziamento per il	for the club.
	locale.	
Punjabi [Is that a	Ci sono dei	Are there any
good thing?]	problemi?	problems?
Yes.	No, nessun problema.	No, no problem.
Punjabi [Who are	E con chi vai?	And who are you
you going with?]		going with?
Hammid.	Con Hammid.	With Hammid.
Punjabi [How long	E quanti giorni ci	And how many
are you going for?]	state?	days are you going
		to stay?
Punjabi [Three	Tre giorni.	Three days.
days.]		, and the second
	Quanti?	How many?
many?]		
Three days, mom.	Tre giorni, mamma.	Three days, mom.
Punjabi [You	Partite adesso? Allora	Are you leaving
going now? That's	salutami.	now? Then say
fine then.]		goodbye to me.
	London for a few days. Punjabi [Why?] We may have a backer for the club. Punjabi [Is that a good thing?] Yes. Punjabi [Who are you going with?] Hammid. Punjabi [How long are you going for?] Punjabi [Three days.] Punjabi [How many?] Three days, mom. Punjabi [You going now? That's	Punjabi [Yes?] Che c'è? Got to go to London for a few days. Punjabi [Why?] Perché? We may have a backer for the club. Punjabi [Is that a good thing?] Yes. No, nessun problema. Punjabi [Who are you going with?] Hammid. Con Hammid. Punjabi [How long are you going for?] Punjabi [Three days.] Punjabi [How many?] Three days, mom. Punjabi [You going now? That's salutami.

In (29), the elimination of spoken Punjabi and its translation into Italian involve processes of manipulation in translation as some Italian utterances convey nuances of meaning different from the original ones. In particular, when Mrs Khan asks Casim "Is that a good thing?" referring to Casim's business trip to London, in the original version this question entails positive expectations whereas in the Italian version it acquires negative

connotations as it is translated as "Ci sono dei problemi?" ("Are there any problems?"). Furthermore, when Mrs Khan tells Casim "That's fine then" she apparently gives her approval to Casim's plans, while the Italian translation "Allora salutami" ("Then say goodbye to me") seems to stress the importance Mrs Khan assigns to the respect Casim has to show to her. something that implies Casim's putting his family before everything else in his life.

The Italian version of Ae Fond Kiss results to be deprived of another important aspect related to generational language choices, in particular when second-generation immigrants and their use of intersentential code-switching are at stake: indeed, Casim and Tahara sometimes use intersentential code-switching from English to Punjabi assigning to their utterance an emotional strength that is lost in the Italian translation due to the elimination of the we-code. This is to be observed when Casim talks on the phone with her mother after he left his parents' home to go and live with Roisin (30).

(30)

(30)			
Casim	Hello? Punjabi	Pronto? Che la	Hello? Peace be on
((on the	[Peace be on you.]	pace sia con te. Sto	you. I'm fine,
phone))	Mom, don't cry,	bene, mamma. Non	mom. Don't cry
	mom. Punjabi [I'll	piangere, mamma.	mom. Tomorrow
	come tomorrow.]	Domani vengo a	I'm going to visit
	Promise, mom,	trovarti. Te lo	you. I promise,
	that Mom, don't	prometto, mamma.	mom. Mom, don't
	cry. Mom, don't say	Mamma, non	cry. Mom, don't
	that. <i>Punjabi</i> [God	piangere. Mamma,	say that to me. God
	bless.]	non mi dire così.	bless you.
		Che Dio ti	
		benedica.	

In (30), in the original version, Casim uses metaphorical intersentential code-switching English-Punjabi to conform to his mother's linguistic code in a possible attempt to reassure her that he still is and will always be her devoted son even though he makes choices his mother does not approve: he thus assigns his language choices specific functions related to his feelings that are lost in dub. An analogous loss is to be recognized when, at the end of the film, Tahara talks to her father to communicate she is going

to attend Edinburgh University even though she knows that he won't approve her decision (31).

(31)

Dad, I know how	Papà, lo so come ti	Dad, I know how
you feel about me	senti, per il fatto	you feel about my
wanting to be a	che voglio diventare	wanting to become
journalist and about	una giornalista e	a journalist and to
Edinburgh	andare	go to Edinburgh
University. I just	all'Università di	University. But I
want you to know	Edimburgo. Ma	want you to know
that I really want to	voglio solo che tu	that I really want to
go and I'm going to	sappia che voglio	go. And I'm going
go. And I'm going	davvero andarci. E	to go. And I'm
to keep speaking to	ci andrò. E	going to keep
Casim. I can't not	continuerò a parlare	speaking to Casim.
speak to him, he's	con Casim. Non	I can't avoid
my brother. Punjabi	posso non parlargli,	speaking to him, he
[You've both given	è mio fratello. Voi	is my brother. You
me a lot, and I'll	mi avete dato	really gave me a lot
give you a lot	davvero tanto, e io	and I'm going to
back.] Thanks,	vi ripagherò, a	give you back, my
mom.	modo mio. Grazie	own way. Thanks
	mamma.	mum.
	you feel about me wanting to be a journalist and about Edinburgh University. I just want you to know that I really want to go and I'm going to go. And I'm going to keep speaking to Casim. I can't not speak to him, he's my brother. <i>Punjabi</i> [You've both given me a lot, and I'll give you a lot back.] Thanks,	you feel about me wanting to be a journalist and about Edinburgh University. I just want you to know that I really want to go and I'm going to go. And I'm going to keep speaking to Casim. I can't not speak to him, he's my brother. Punjabi [You've both given me a lot, and I'll give you a lot back.] Thanks, mom. senti, per il fatto che voglio diventare una giornalista e andare all'Università di Edimburgo. Ma voglio solo che tu sappia che voglio davvero andarci. E ci andrò. E continuerò a parlare con Casim. Non posso non parlargli, è mio fratello. Voi mi avete dato davvero tanto, e io vi ripagherò, a modo mio. Grazie

In (31), Tahara intersententially switches from English to Punjabi when she thanks her parents for what they did for her: this is the only time she speaks Punjabi throughout the whole film and she uses it as a sign of respect to show the importance she still assigns to her family ties. These aspects are not to be found in the Italian dubbed version, which translates Punjabi into Italian and adds the phrase "a modo mio" ("my own way") to Tahara's utterance, emphasizing Tahara's choice to live her life according to her own desires, even though these collide with her parents' expectations, and therefore stressing a rebellious attitude on the part of the girl that the original version does not suggest.

Also in *Bend It Like Beckham*, non-reciprocal language choices across generations during family conversations are mostly erased in the Italian version in instances of both turn-specific and intersentential codeswitching (covering 20% of the total occurrences) (32-36).

(32)

Mrs	Good! Punjabi End	Bene. D'accordo,	Good. Okay, end of
Bhamra	of matter!	fine del discorso.	the matter.
Mr	Punjabi	Molto bene. Vedo	Very good. I see
Bhamra		che ragioni.	you are being
			reasonable.
Jess	I'm joining a girls'	Gioco in una	I play in a girls'
	team.	squadra femminile.	team.

(33)

Mr	•		I forgot my wallet.
Bhamra		portafogli. Torno	I'll be right back.
		subito.	
Pinky	Honestly, dad. I'll	Okay, papà, vado a	Okay, dad, I'll go
	go inside and get it.	prenderlo io.	and get it.

(34)

Tony's	Punjabi	Poveri noi, non è	Poor us, it's not
mother		possibile!	possible!
Tony	It's all right, mum, just leave it.		It doesn't matter mum, just leave it!

(35)

Jess	But, dad, the twenty-fifth	Ma papà il venticinque	But, dad, the twenty-fifth
Mr Bhamra	Punjabi	Zitta tu!	Shut up!

(36)

Mrs	Punjabi	Andiamo. Tu sali. A	Let's go. You get
Bhamra		casa facciamo i	into. At home we'll
to Jess		conti.	sort this out.

In (32-36) the elimination of the spoken we-code in the target version is combined with explicitation as the Italian dialogues convey the supposed meaning of the original L3 utterances inferring them from the other parts of the conversation; if, on the one hand, this procedure (as already

observed in 2.1.2.) allows the target audience a higher degree of comprehension of the original contents, on the other hand it implies, especially when generational speech patterns are at stake, a remaking of not only languages but also, and primarily, of linguistic identities.

2.1.3.1. The neutralization of gender-related connotations in in-group speech patterns

As far as family and generational discourse practices are concerned, another key issue that emerges from the comparative analysis of the original version and the Italian dubbed version of the films under investigation is that language alternation seems to be sensitive not only to age but also to gender, as the we-code tends to be recurrently used especially by first-generation immigrant women. Indeed, autonomisation of migrant communities and their recourse to a social structure based on the models offered by their home culture allow members who do not have to maintain close links with the host society (e.g. housewives) to develop minimal skills in the majority language. Women, as vessels of culture in immigrant communities (Dasgupta 1998; Kallivayalil 2004), result to be the most affected by such phenomena: as their central position in the family imposes the extensive usage of their mother tongue as the privileged code for daily conversation, they assign themselves the role of guardians of home language retention and use within both nuclear and extended families (Milroy, Muysken 1995), whereas men, apparently more fully integrated in the Western society, tend to develop a certain proficiency in the they-code and use it most of the time in their daily life outside their home (Bhatia, Ritchie 2004). This important connotation related to the immigrant women's sociocultural and linguistic identity is mostly erased in the Italian version of the films portraying immigrant communities: indeed, the Italian dialogues are often deprived of any gender-related connotations as most cases of turn-specific intersentential code-switching enacted by first-generation immigrant women are rendered into spoken Italian. This can be observed in two scenes in Ae Fond Kiss, when Mrs Khan addresses her husband using Punjabi even though the man uses English (37-38).

(37)

Mr	What is it?	Che c'è?	What's the matter?
Khan			
Mrs	Punjabi [What are	Che cosa state	What are you

Khan	you doing?]	facendo?	doing?
Mr Khan	You are either going	Cara signora, vuoi	Dear lady, do you
	to have an	una casa più grande	want a bigger house
	extension, missus,	o il giardino? Non si	or the garden? You
	or you can have a	possono avere tutte	cannot have both.
	garden. You cannot	e due. Una volta	Once the house is
	have both of them!	ingrandita la casa	enlarged we'll plant
	Once the extension	metteremo altri fiori	other flowers and a
	is built, we'll make	e un bel prato	beautiful new
	more flowers, we'll	nuovo. Non ti	meadow. Don't
	make more gardens,	preoccupare di	worry about this.
	don't worry about	questo.	
	it.		

(38)

\ /			
Tahara to	How's your hand?	Come va la mano?	How's your hand?
Mr Khan			
Mr Khan	It's better, it's	Va meglio, molto	It's better, much
	better.	meglio.	better.
Mrs	Punjabi [It's still	Gli fa ancora male.	It still hurts him.
Khan	painful.]		

Such a close connection between code-switching and gender is to be recognized also in *Bend It Like Beckham*, where turn-specific code-switching is often introduced in the interactions by Mrs Bhamra when talking to her husband, as we can see when Mr Bhamra, in seeing a picture of Jess's football team in the newspaper, uses English to ask his wife to call their daughter back home and Mrs Bhamra replies in Punjabi, following a speech pattern that is eliminated in Italian (39).

(39)

Mr	The dinner's ready?	La cena è pronta?	Is dinner ready?
Bhamra			
Mrs	Punjabi	Quasi.	Almost.
Bhamra			
Mr	Punjabi	Allora perché non	Then why don't we
Bhamra		mangiamo?	eat?
[]			
Mr	Suhki?	Suhki?	Suhki?

Bhamra			
Mrs	Punjabi	Sì?	Yes?
Bhamra			
Mrs	Call her back in	Richiamale a	Call them back to
Bhamra	Croydon. I want to	Croydon, voglio	Croydon, I want to
	speak to them.	parlare con loro.	speak to them.
Mrs	Punjabi	Perché?	Why?
Bahmra			
Mr	I said I want to	Ho detto che voglio	I said I want to
Bahmra	speak to them!	parlare con loro!	speak to them!

What we can clearly observe in (37-39) is that in, the Italian version, the role played by the we-code as a means of self-expression on the part of women is never conveyed and this leads both to an ethnolinguistic loss as far as the use of language in immigrant communities is concerned and to a misrepresentation of the characters on the screen.

2.1.4. Omission

In our corpus of films, the elimination of the L3 in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching in dub is realized, though only in a few cases (covering 1% of the total occurrences), by means of another (non-)transfer modality, i.e. omission, which consists completely removing the original L3 without even replacing it with the L2 in the Italian dubbed version. This may appear as a drastic strategy, entailing an overall erosion of the multilingual, multicultural reality portrayed in the original version, even though it is mainly applied when conveying the meaning of a specific phrase or sentence in the L3 does not seem to be necessary to the understanding of the conversational context (cf. Baker 1992). It is in particular in *Bend It Like Beckham* that the spoken L3/we-code used in cases of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching in the original version sometimes disappears in the Italian dubbed version (covering 10% of the total occurrences), which neither renders Punjabi into spoken Italian nor translates it by means of open subtitles. This can be seen, in particular, when Mrs Bhamra is speaking (40-42).

(40)

\ /			
Mrs	These don't even	Non hanno	They don't even
Bhamra	have a heel! How	nemmeno tacco!	have heel! But

will they fall nicely	Ma come fanno a	how can they fit
with your sari?	stare bene con i	sari?
Punjabi	sari?	

(41)

Punjabi Get back into bed.	Jess, torna subito a letto.	Jess, go immediately back
		to bed.

(42)

Mrs	Punjabi Oh, here	Ah, eccolo qua. Il	Ah, here he is.
Bhamra	he is. Tejinder's	padre e la madre di	Tejinder's father
	mother and father	Tejinder sono	and mother have
	have come to	3	come to talk to us.
	speak to us.	noi.	

Though the transfer modes illustrated so far for the rendering of L3s in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching (i.e. domestication, local standardization, explicitation in translation) and to be recognized in three out of the sixteen films making up our corpus (i.e. *Ae Fond Kiss*, *Bend It Like Beckham*, *Real Womes Have Curves*) alter the films' linguistic coherence, they reflect the already discussed tendency towards discursive levelling distinctive of traditional dubbing policies, especially in countries such as Italy where dubbing has always been the norm (as already discussed in Chapter 1). Notwithstanding this, as we will illustrate in 2.2., different approaches to the translation of L3s in multilingual films seem nowadays to be making their way in audiovisual translation industry, aimed at providing the target audience with a more faithful rendering of the films' ethnolinguistic specificity.

2.2. Re-creating turn-specific and intersentential code-switching: the survival of ethnocultural specificity

The linguistic erasure of L3s often to be observed in the Italian version of polyglot films corresponds to a sociocultural and ideological erasure that, with the ever-increasing production of multicultural audiovisual products mirroring contemporary multicultural societies (see Chapter 1, 1.2.), many scholars in the field of audiovisual translation began to see as unacceptable, considering the ethnolinguistic diversity

represented in the films' original version as a key fact that also the target audience should always experience. In this sense, an interesting aspect the comparative diachronic analysis of our corpus of films highlights is that the previously discussed tendency to eliminate turn-specific and intersentential code-switching in dub seems to have been gradually overcome in recent years to be replaced, especially in some films released either in or after 2004, by a greater faithfulness to the original multilingual dialogues, following the assumption that "Dubbing should create the perfect illusion of allowing the audience to experience the production in their own language without diminishing any of the characteristics of the original language, culture and national background" (Dries 1995: 9). This led many screen translation scholars to suggest the use of different translation modes aimed at giving full voice to on-screen multilingualism (cf. Heiss 2004; Szarkowska 2005; Baldo 2009).

2.2.1. Part-subtitling: open interlingual subtitles

A recently developed trend in Italian film translation industry to convey cinematic multilingual discourse practice involves both dubbing and subtitling (cf. O'Sullivan 2011) and, in particular, it suggests the use of dubbing for the main language of communication (L1/L2) and of part-subtitling for the other, 'foreign', languages (L3s) used in the original dialogues. Part-subtitling is the procedure consistently adopted also in the original version of many multilingual films which plays a key role in maintaining the lingua-cultural diversity on a diegetic level (De Bonis 2015), and changes the status of conventional subtitling, intended as "the translation of the spoken (or written) source text of an audiovisual product into a written target text which is added onto the images of the original product, usually at the bottom of the screen" (Karamitroglou 2000: 5). With part-subtitling, subtitles are no longer "conceived as an after-thought" (Sinha 2004: 174) but rather as an integral part of the film, as elements crucially inherent in the film's overall structure.

Leaving the L3 unaltered at the spoken level and subtitling it in the L1, in original version, and in the L2, in the Italian dubbed version, results nowadays to be a recurrent strategy used to convey the instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching, guaranteeing the faithful rendering of the films' original ethnocultural and linguistic background. Indeed, hearing the real voices of the foreign (i.e. immigrant/ethnic) characters gives vital clues to the definition of their sociolinguistic identity

(Snell-Hornby 1995) and satisfies target viewers' expectations and curiosity concerning other cultures, enabling them, at the same time, to get more deeply involved in the filmic context as open subtitles promote complete audience understandability in playing the "twin role of conveyors of meaning and guardians of culture" (Taylor 2000: 164).

In particular, in some of the films under study (i.e. eight films out of the total sixteen making up the corpus) whose original dialogues are permeated with language alternation practices based on the use of an L3 and enacted both within immigrant communities (e.g. Ae Fond Kiss, Gran Torino, My Big Fat Greek Wedding, My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2, Crash) and in cross-cultural environments where speakers of different nationalities interact (e.g. Vicky Cristina Barcelona, My Life in Ruins, The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel), open interlingual subtitles prove to be an unquestionable aid to understanding.

A film where open interlingual subtitles for the L3 at stake are extensively used in both the original version and the Italian dubbed version is *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, whose dialogues present many instances of spoken Spanish in cases of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching (covering 63% of the total occurrences), to be observed not only when two Spanish characters talk with each other but also when they talk with American characters, thus perfectly capturing, and conveying to the audience, the Spanish speakers' vibrant use of their mother tongue. This can be seen in one of the first scenes of the film when Juan Antonio visits his father in Oviedo; whereas the first part of their conversation is left untranslated as it is only an exchange of greetings (see 2.2.2. for discussion on the transfer mode of non-translation), the second part introduces one of the characters that will result to play a major role in the film, i.e. Juan Antonio's ex-wife, María Elena, and its contents are therefore explained to the audience (43).

(43)

Juan	Te veo bien.	Te veo bien. Tienes	You are the
Antonio	Tienes cara de	cara de salud, papá.	portrait of
	salud, papá. [You	[Sei il ritratto della	health, dad.
	look good. You	salute, papà.]	
	look healthy, dad.]		
Juan	Sí, tú también, te	Sí, tú también, te ves	Yes, you too
Antonio's	ves saludable.	saludable. ¿Qué	look well. What
father	¿Qué sabes de	sabes de María	do you know

	María Elena? [Yes, and you too look well. What do you hear of María Elena?]	Elena? [Si, anche tu mi sembri in buona salute. Che cosa sai di María Elena?]	about María Elena?
Juan Antonio	¿Eh, María Elena? ¿María Elena? Pues que vive todavía con el arquitecto en Madrid. [María Elena? María Elena? She's still living with the architect in Madrid.]	¿Eh, María Elena? ¿María Elena? Pues que vive todavía con el arquitecto en Madrid. [María Elena? María Elena? Vive ancora con quell'architetto di Madrid.]	María Elena? María Elena? She still lives with that architect from Madrid.
Juan Antonio's father	Esa mujer era la mejor. Aún tengo sueños eróticos con ella, a mi edad. [That woman was the best. I still have erotic dreams about her, at my age.]	Esa mujer era la mejor. Aún tengo sueños eróticos con ella, a mi edad. [Quella donna era il massimo. Faccio ancora sogni erotici su di lei, alla mia età.]	That woman was the best. I still make erotic dreams about her, at my age.
Juan Antonio	También te quería mucho a ti, papá. [She also loved you very much, papà.]	También te quería mucho a ti, papá. [Anche lei ti voleva molto bene, papà.]	She also loved you very much, dad.
Juan Antonio's father	Qué pena, qué pena con ese don de Dios. [What a shame, with that gift of God.]	Qué pena, qué pena con ese don de Dios. [Che peccato, con quel dono di Dio.]	What a shame, with that gift of God.

In (43) the choice to maintain spoken Spanish results to be the most adequate also to convey a faithful portrayal of Juan Antonio's father, whose use of Spanish as an integral part of his identity is one of his characterizing traits (see 2.2.2.).

Throughout the whole film, the presence of spoken Spanish is particularly prominent especially in the course of emotionally intense exchanges between Juan Antonio and María Elena, often talking about their former relationship and the strong affection that still binds them together (44).

(44)

María	Siempre	Siempre	You are still
Elena	buscándome en	buscándome en	searching for me
	todas las mujeres.	todas las mujeres.	in every woman.
	[You're still	[Cerchi ancora me	
	searching for me in	in ogni donna.]	
	every woman.]		
Juan	No, eso no es	No, eso no es	It's not true,
Antonio	verdad, María	verdad, María	María Elena. It's
	Elena. No. Eso no	Elena. No. Eso no	not true. I was in
	es verdad. Estuve	es verdad. Estuve en	Oviedo some
	en Oviedo hace	Oviedo hace unas	weeks ago with a
	unas semanas con	semanas con una	woman who is
	una mujer que era	mujer que era el	the antithesis of
	el antítesis de ti	antítesis de ti Una	you. An
	Una mujer	mujer americana. Y	American, with
	americana. Y	tuvimos una cosa	whom something
	tuvimos una cosa	Me pasó una cosa	beautiful
	Me pasó una cosa	preciosa con ella.	happened. So
	preciosa con ella.	Así que no es	you're mistaken.
	Así que no es	verdad. [Non è vero,	
	verdad. [This is	María Elena. Non è	
	not true, María	vero. Qualche	
	Elena. I was in	settimana fa ero ad	
	Oviedo some	Oviedo con una	
	weeks ago with a	donna che è	
	woman who was	l'opposto di te.	
	the antithesis of	Un'americana, con	
	you. An American,	cui è successa una	

	and something	cosa bellissima.	
	beautiful happened	Quindi ti sbagli.]	
	with her. So you're		
	mistaken.]		
María	Me da igual, me da	Me da igual, me da	You always try
Elena	igual. Siempre	igual. Siempre	to replicate what
	intentarás duplicar	intentarás duplicar	we had. You
	lo que tuviste	lo que tuviste	know it.
	conmigo y tú lo	conmigo y tú lo	
	sabes. [You'll	sabes. [Tu cerchi	
	always seek to	sempre di ripetere	
	duplicate what we	quello che avevamo	
	had. You know it.]	noi, lo sai.]	

As both (43) and (44) show, the maintenance of the L3, intended as the speakers' 'language of the heart', aims at clearly displaying the characters' innermost thoughts and feelings, thus exerting on the audience a strong emotional impact, which is further to be felt when Juan Antonio and María Elena have violent arguments (45, 46).

(45)

Juan	dedicado de mi	dedicado de mi	I devoted all my
Antonio	tiempo a tus fobias,	tiempo a tus fobias,	time to your
	a tus locuras, a tus	a tus locuras, a tus	phobias, to your
	mierdas. Eso afecta	mierdas. Eso afecta	follies, to your
	a mi trabajo,	a mi trabajo,	craps. My work
	¿entiendes? [I	¿entiendes? [Ho	suffers from this.
	devote all my time	dedicato il mio	
	to you - pampering	tempo alle tue	
	you, nursing your	fobie, alle tue	
	tics and phobias.	follie, alle tue	
	My work suffers.]	stronzate. Il mio	
		lavoro ne soffre.]	
María	¡Que yo no tengo	¡Que yo no tengo la	It's not my fault
Elena	la culpa de que tu	culpa de que tu	if your work has
	trabajo se haya ido	trabajo se haya ido	gone to shit and if
	a la mierda y yo no	a la mierda y yo no	you never
	tengo la culpa de	tengo la culpa de	mature!
	que no te enteras	que no te enteras	

	de nada y no	de nada y no creces	
	creces y no	y no maduras!	
	maduras! [It's not	[Non è colpa mia se	
	my fault. It's not	il tuo lavoro è	
	my fault that your	diventato una	
	work has gone to	merda e se tu non	
	shit and that you	maturi mai!]	
	don't mature!]		
Juan	No puedo	No puedo seguir	I can't go on
Antonio	seguir viviendo así,	viviendo así, María	living like this,
	María Elena. [I	Elena. [Non posso	María Elena.
	can't go on living	continuare a vivere	
	like this, María	così, María Elena.]	
	Elena.]		

(46)

Juan	María Elena,	María Elena,	María Elena,
Antonio	suelta. Dámela,	suelta. Dámela,	stop it. Stop it.
	dámela, dámela.	dámela, dámela.	Stop it. You're
	Ya. Ya. Ya. ¡Te vas	Ya. Ya. Ya. ¡Te vas	going to kill
	a matar! [María	a matar! [María	yourself!
	Elena, stop it. Let it	Elena, basta. Basta.	
	go. Let it go.	Basta. Finirai con	
	You're going to kill	l'ammazzarti!]	
	yourself!]		
María	¡Que no quiero	¡Que no quiero	I don't want to
Elena	vivir así! ¡Que no	vivir así! ¡Que no	live, damn it! I
	quiero! [I don't	quiero! [Non voglio	don't want to
	want to live! I don't	vivere, maledizione!	live, damn it!
	want to live, damn	Non voglio vivere,	
	it!]	maledizione!]	
Juan	Ya. Ya. Ya. [Let it	Ya. Ya. Ya. [Basta,	Stop it, come on.
Antonio	go. Now, now,	dai, su.]	
	now.]		
María	¿Cuándo	¿Cuándo	Don't you
Elena	comprenderás que	comprenderás que	understand that I
	no quiero vivir?	no quiero vivir?	can't live like
	Que no se puede	Que no se puede	this, that I can't
	vivir así. [Don't	vivir así. [Non	live like this?

you understand that	capisci che non
I don't want to live,	posso vivere così,
that I can't live like	che non posso
this.]	vivere così?]

In both (45) and (46) the characters' vigorous Spanish utterances, rich with emphatic expressions, result to be the linguistic correlative of the destructiveness that characterizes their relationship, an aspect the viewers are fully aware of as the presence of both spoken Spanish and open interlingual subtitles in the original version and in the Italian dubbed version strenghtens the scene's expressive force.

In *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, the use of open interlingual subtitles as combined with the maintenance of the spoken L3 is crucially vital also to highlight the linguistic dynamics distinctive of the relationship between two other characters, i.e. María Elena and Cristina. Indeed, in the original version, María Elena always tends to speak Spanish with the American girl, ignoring Juan Antonio's recurrent requests to use English when with her and adopting Spanish to make Cristina feel as an intruder in her relationship with Juan Antonio, as can be observed in (47-49).

(47)

María	¿Y ella quién es?	¿Y ella quién es?	Who's she?
Elena	[Who is she?]	[Quella chi è?]	
Juan	She is the woman	È la donna con cui	She is the woman
Antonio	I live with and	vivo e tu non	I live with and
	you have to speak	devi parlare	you must not
	English around	spagnolo con lei.	speak Spanish
	her. Please.	Per favore.	with her. Please.
María	¿Por qué? ¿Por	¿Por qué? ¿Por	For her?
Elena	ella? [Why? For	ella? [Per quella?]	
	her sake?]		
Juan	Yes, exactly, out	Sì, esatto, per un	Yes, exactly, out
Antonio	of courtesy.	atto di cortesia.	of courtesy.
María	No me fio, Juan	No me fio, Juan	I don't trust her,
Elena	Antonio. Los ojos,	Antonio. Los ojos,	Juan Antonio. Her
	no los tiene de un	no los tiene de un	eyes are not the
	solo color. [I	solo color. [Non	same colour.
	don't trust her,	mi fido di lei, Juan	
	Juan Antonio. Her	Antonio. Gli occhi	

eyes are not one	non sono dello	
colour.]	stesso colore.]	

(48)

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María	You speak no	Non parli	You don't speak
Elena	Spanish?	spagnolo?	Spanish?
Cristina	No, I-I, studied	No, io ho studiato il	No, I studied
	Chinese.	cinese.	Chinese
[]			
María	A mí el chino me	A mí el chino me	To me Chinese
Elena	suena de lo más	suena de lo más	sounds strident, it
	estridente, vamos.	estridente, vamos.	drills your brain.
	Te taladra el	Te taladra el	
	cerebro. [If you	cerebro. [Per me il	
	ask me Chinese	cinese è stridente, ti	
	sounds strident.	trapana il cervello.]	
	It's like a drill to		
	the head.]		
Juan	Speak English,	Piantala con lo	Stop it with
Antonio	María Elena.	spagnolo.	Spanish.
María	¿Además has visto	¿Además has visto	And then have
Elena	la cocina de los	la cocina de los	you ever seen the
	restaurantes? Lo	restaurantes? Lo	kitchens of their
	más desagradable.	más desagradable.	restaurants? They
	[You ever hear	[E poi hai mai visto	are disgusting.
	them in the kitchen	le cucine dei loro	
	of a Chinese	ristoranti? Fanno	
	restaurant? It's so	schifo.]	
	unpleasant.]		

(49)

Juan	Here's sugar.	Qui c'è lo	Here's sugar.
Antonio	_	zucchero.	_
Cristina	Oh, no, thank you,	No, grazie, grazie.	No, thank you,
	thank you.		thank you.
Juan	I thought we could	Sentite, possiamo	Liste, we can go
Antonio	go for a ride to the	fare una gita in	for a ride to the
	countryside later. I	campagna dopo.	countryside later. I
	mean, the the	Cioè, il tempo è	mean, the weather

	weather is beautiful.	bellissimo.	is beautiful.
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María	Yo creo que va a	Yo creo que va a	It's definitely
Elena	llover más tarde.	llover más tarde.	going to rain later.
	Llueve seguro.	Llueve seguro.	
	[It's definitely	[Più tardi pioverà	
	going to rain	di sicuro.]	
	later.]		
Juan	In English.	Non ti capisce.	She doesn't
Antonio			understand you.

In (47-49) María Elena recurrently uses participant-related, metaphorical, turn-specific code-switching in the attempt to exclude Cristina from the conversation, considering Spanish as a sort of 'linguistic weapon' against the American girl, a negative but crucial attitude conveyed to both audiences. In these excerpts, another interesting aspect stands out as far as the Italian dubbed version is concerned: Juan Antonio's original references to English as to the language he asks María Elena not to use when addressing Cristina are always modified by the Italian dialogue adaptor who replaces "English" with "spagnolo" ("Spanish") everytime Juan Antonio mentions it (47, 48) and translates "In English" (49) into "Non ti capisce" ("She doesn't understand you"), thus making lexical and syntactic choices consistent with the Italian version's context and audience.

Open interlingual subtitles are used also in other films under study depicting cross-cultural and crosslinguistic encounters as *My Life in Ruins* and *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, even though their presence is not so prominent as in *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*.

In *My Life in Ruins* open interlingual subtitles are used to render the L3 in instances of turn-specific code-switching in different conversational contexts throughout the film (covering 26% of the total occurrences): at the beginning of the tour, Georgia asks the bus driver Procopi to start the bus (50) and then tells him that the tourists are laughing at his name (51), in both cases addressing him in Greek as she believes he doesn't know English; likewise, she uses Greek to inform a Greek hotel manager that the hotel lift is broken (52).

(50)

Georgia	Ante, pame [Let's	Ante, pame.	Let's go.
	go.]	[Andiamo.]	

(51)

Georgia to Procopi	Greek [They are laughing at your	Greek [Stanno ridendo del tuo	They're laughing at your name.
	name.]	nome.]	
Procopi to	Greek [So what?	Greek [E allora?	So what?
Georgia	Laughing is good.]	Ridere fa bene.]	Laughing is good.

(52)

Georgia	Greek [Your	Greek [L'ascensore	The elevator is
	elevator is	non funziona.]	out of work.
	broken.]		

In the Italian dubbed version of *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, most instances of Hindi are left unaltered at the spoken level and either left untranslated (see 2.2.2.) or translated by means of interpreting (see 2.2.4.), but we can also observe the presence of interlingual open subtitles conveying their meaning in one crucial scene featuring Evelyn Grisley's business partner Hari speaking in Hindi with an Indian factory owner when concluding an important business deal (53).

(53)

Hari	Hindi [My friend	Hindi [Amico mio,	My friend, we can
	we can get four for	possiamo	buy four for this
	this price	comprarne quattro	price anywhere
	anywhere else.	a questo prezzo in	else. You ask
	You're just asking	qualunque altro	more just because
	more because it's	posto. Chiede di	she is here.
	her]	più solo perché c'è	
		lei.]	
Factory	Hindi [You think	Hindi [Dato che è	As you're with
owner	because you're	con questa donna	this white woman
	with this white	bianca crede di	do you think
	woman that	aver vinto un terno	you've hit the
	you've climbed a	al lotto? Crede che	jackpot? Do you
	treetop? You think	i suoi capelli	think her white

	her white hair is	bianchi mi	hair is going to
	going to fluster	confonderanno?]	confuse me?
	me?]		
Hari	Hindi [Don't talk	Hindi [Non dica	Don't talk
	rubbish.]	sciocchezze.]	rubbish.
Factory	Hindi [Just	Hindi [Solo perché	Just because you
owner	because you've	va in giro con	are going around
	caught hold of	questa vecchia	with this old
	some old white	cavalla di razza	thoroughbred do
	buffalo you think	crede che	you think I'm
	I'm going to give	cederò?!]	going to give in?!
	in?!]		

In (53) the decision to maintain spoken Hindi and to convey its meaning in open interlingual subtitles has a very positive impact on the audience, as viewers are plunged into the original exotic atmosphere and, at the same time, they fully understand the conversation's contents that, especially in this case, crucially contribute to the development of the plot.

Also in such films portraying immigrant communities as *Gran Torino*, *Ae Fond Kiss*, *East Is East*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* 2, open interlingual subtitles are sometimes adopted to express the ethnolinguistic connotations and the metaphorical meanings the characters' use of the we-code entails.

In *Gran Torino*, open interlingual subtitles are adopted (covering 30% of the total occurrences) to convey Hmong lines uttered by first-generation immigrants within their family and/or community; this can be seen when Walt attends a Hmong birth ceremony at his Hmong neighbours' house, where all the older Hmong speak their native language and Phong, the family grandmother, talks to a relative complaining about her nephew Thao (54).

(54)

Phong	Hmong [I'm just	Hmong [Sono	I'm really broken-
Filolig	0 2	0 2	_
	so broken-hearted.	davvero addolorata.	hearted. My
	I want my	Mia figlia deve	daughter has to
	daughter to find	trovare un altro	find another
	another husband.	marito. Se si risposa	husband. If she
	If she married	ci sarà di nuovo un	gets married again

	again there would	uomo in casa.]	there will be again
	be a man in the		a man in the
	house.]		house.
Man	Hmong [What	Hmong [Ma c'è	But there is Thao,
	about Thao? The	Thao, no? Eccolo lì	isn't there? There
	man of the house	l'uomo di casa.]	he is, the man of
	is right there.]		the house.
Phong	Hmong [Look at	Hmong [Guardalo,	Look at him, he
	him washing	lava i piatti. Fa tutto	washes the dishes.
	dishes. He does	quello che gli	He does all that
	whatever his sister	ordina la sorella.	his sister orders
	orders him to do.	Come potrà mai	him to do. How
	How could he	essere l'uomo di	could he ever be
	ever become the	casa?]	the man of the
	man of the		house?
	house?]		
Man	Hmong [Be	Hmong [Vedrai,	You'll see, once
	patient, once he's	quando sarà più	he's older he will
	older he will be	grande diventerà	become the man
	the man of the	l'uomo di casa.]	of the house.
	house.]		
Phong	Hmong [No way.]	Hmong [Figurati.]	No way.

Similarly, in another scene depicting the ritual of a birth ceremony performed in Hmong by the family Sciaman, the maintenance of Hmong spoken utterances and the explanation of their meaning in open subtitles convey to both audiences crucial information about Asian sociocultural and religious beliefs (55).

(55)

Kor Khue	Hmong [Today is	Hmong [Questo è	Today is a blessed
	a blessed day for a	un giorno benedetto	day because a
	child is born. I	perché è nato un	child is born. I
	offer food to	bambino. Offro	offer food to
	nurture this child's	cibo per nutrire il	nurture this
	body. I offer	corpo di questo	child's body. I
	clothing to protect	bambino. Offro	offer clothing to
	this child's flesh.	vestiario per	protect this child's
	The child is	proteggere il corpo	body. The child is

	blessed with a	di questo bambino.	blessed with a
	mother and father.	Il bambino ha il	mother and father.
	Oh, spirit of this	dono di una madre	Oh, spirit of this
	child return home	e di un padre. Oh,	new born child
	and do not wander	spirito di questo	return to your
	anymore.]	neonato torna alla	home and do not
		tua casa e non	wander anymore.
		vagare oltre.]	
Whole	Hmong [Come	Hmong [Vieni a	Come home, spirit
family	home, spirit and	casa, spirito e	and soul, come
	soul, come home.]	anima, vieni a	home.
		casa.]	

In *Gran Torino*, open interlingual subtitles are used to translate Hmong also with the aim of conveying the immigrant characters' strong sense of ethnic belonging; at the end of the film, when Walt is shot dead by six Hmong gangbangers and Thao and Sue arrive on the murder scene, Thao asks a Hmong policeman what happened and he adopts participant-related turn-specific code-switching from English to Hmong to convince the Hmong police officer to give him some more details about Walt's death, using the we-code as a sign of cohesion between members of the same community (56).

(56)

Police	I said step back.	State indietro.	Step back.
officer			
Thao to	What happened,	Cosa è successo?	What happened?
Hmong	man?		
police			
officer			
Hmong	Hey, didn't you	Hey, l'hai sentito?	Hey, did you hear
police	hear him? Step	Indietro.	him? Step back.
officer	back.		
Thao	Please, he's my	È un mio amico.	He is a friend of
	friend. Hmong	Hmong [Per favore,	mine. Please, it's
	[Please, it's	è importante.]	important.
	important.]		
Hmong	Hmong [He went	Hmong [Ha fatto	He went for a
police	for a lighter and	per prendere	lighter and they

officer	they shot him. He	l'accendino e gli	shot him. He
	didn't even have a	hanno sparato. Non	didn't even have
	gun on him. This	ce l'aveva neanche	the gun. This time
	time we have	la pistola. Questa	we have
	witnesses. These	volta abbiamo i	witnesses. They
	guys will be locked	testimoni. Li	will lock them up
	up for a long time.]	chiuderanno in	for a long time.
		gabbia per un sacco	
		di tempo.]	

In *Ae Fond Kiss*, where Punjabi is mostly dubbed into Italian (see 2.1.1. and 2.2.2.), there are a few cases (covering 9% of the total occurrences) when the spoken we-code is left untranslated and its meaning is conveyed by means of open interlingual subtitles, as already observed in the conversations featuring Jasmine and her mother (see 2.1.1.) and as we can notice when the Khans meet Amar's parents for the first time (57).

(57)

Mr Khan	Punjabi [On you	Punjabi [Prego,	Please, dear.
to Mrs	go.]	cara.]	
Khan			
Mrs	Punjabi [Peace be	Punjabi [Che la pace	Peace be on you.
Khan to	on you! Are you all	sia con voi. Come	How are you?
Amar's	right? Find the	state? Che ve ne pare	What do you think
parents	house okay?] Sorry	della casa?]	about the house?
	about the mess.	Scusatemi per il	Sorry for the mess.
		disordine.	
Mrs	Punjabi [Son, go	Punjabi [Portali	Take them inside.
Khan to	with Auntie.]	dentro.]	
Casim			
Mr Khan	Punjabi [We're	Punjabi [Abbiamo	We have finished
to	building an	terminato il giardino	the garden and
Amar's	extension here.	e stiamo lavorando	we're building the
father	When it's done,	all'estensione della	house extension.
	it'll look fine.]	casa. Una volta finito	Once done, it'll
		sarà molto bello.]	look really fine.

In (57), as far as the translation techniques adopted in the Italian version are concerned, we can observe a lack of coherence in the transposition of

the characters' original lines as a result of such strategies as manipulation and explicitation (see 2.1.2.). Indeed, when Mrs Khan addresses Casim, her sentence "Son, go with Auntie", including two terms of address rich with emotional connotations, i.e. "son" and "auntie", is rendered into the Italian open subtitles as "Portali dentro" ("Take them inside"), erasing the original utterance's sense of affection. On the other hand, Mr Khan's statement "We're building an extension here" is expanded in the Italian subtitles that add a piece of information, "Abbiamo terminato il giardino" ("We have finished the garden"), not to be found in the English subtitles.

An interesting case of the maintenance of the spoken we-code with its meaning conveyed by open interlingual subtitles is to be recognized in *East Is East* in the scene featuring George Khan and Mr Shah arranging the marriages between Abdul and Nushaaba and between Tariq and Nigget (58).

(58)

George	<i>Urdu</i> [Beautiful.]	<i>Urdu</i> [Bellissime.]	Beautiful.
Khan			
Men	Urdu	Urdu	

In (58), whereas most of the conversation among the Pakistani men is maintained in Urdu with no translation provided (see 2.2.2.), the compliment George Khan pays to Mr Shah's daughters when he sees their picture for their first time is left in Urdu at the spoken level and translated by means of open subtitles. Such translation procedure is particulary significant within a scene where the prevailing tendency is to preserve the spoken we-code untranslated and it is possibly due to the fact that George's utterance, in this case, crucially contributes to the development of the plot: indeed, arranging the two marriages depends on his judgement about Mr Shah's daughters, something that the scene clearly highlights as the Pakistani men are depicted as waiting impatiently for his pronouncement.

In two other films focusing on immigrant family life, traditions and speech patterns, i.e. *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* and *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* 2, spoken Greek is left unaltered and its meaning conveyed by means of open interlingual subtitles when it is used by members of the Portokalos family, moved to Chicago from Greece but utterly devoted to their Greek heritage also from the linguistic point of view. In *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, open interlingual subtitles are adopted when *mana-yiayia*,

the family grandmother, brought over from Greece to live with her son Gus in America against her will, is always depicted in an hostile attitude towards Americans and America, an hostility expressed not only by her refusal to speak English but also, and primarily, by the fact that she speaks only twice throughout the whole film and in both cases to utter insults in Greek (59, 60).

(59)

Mana-	Greek [Listen up,	Greek [Senti	Listen, ugly Turk,
yiayia to	ugly Turk, you are	brutto turco, tu	you are not
Gus	not kidnapping me!]	non mi rapisci!]	kidnapping me!

(60)

Mana- yiayia to an	Greek [Bloodthirsty Turks!]	Greek [Turchi assetati di sangue!]	Bloodthirsty Turks!
American			
neighbour			

In My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2, open interlingual subtitles are instead employed to convey the meaning of spoken Greek when used with humorous connotations in two instances of metaphorical code-switching; in one scene, the Portokaloses' dog, Socrates, starts barking at the Portokaloses' American neighbour, Mrs White, who shouts at him, and Maria Portokalos first addresses the woman in English to explain that the dog doesn't speak English and then intersententially switches to Greek to soothe the dog and order him to bite the woman the day after (61).

(61)

Maria	((to Mrs White)) He	((to Mrs White))	He doesn't speak
Portokalos	doesn't speak	Non parla	English. Bite her
	English. ((to the	inglese. ((to the	tomorrow.
	dog)) Greek. [Bite	dog)) Greek.	
	her tomorrow.]	[Domani	
		mordila.]	

In another scene, Gus speaks to his brother Panos, newly arrived from Greece to attend his brother's wedding with Maria: Gus expresses an opinion about his American son-in-law Ian using Greek as a sort of secret

code between himself and his brother in order not to be understood by Ian, as he is unaware of the fact that Ian perfectly understands and speaks Greek, something he discovers when Ian himself makes a comment in Greek about his father-in-law (62).

(62)

Gus	Greek. [He is	Greek. [Non è male	He is okay for a
Portokalos	okay for an	per essere uno	foreigner.
	Anglo.]	straniero.]	
Ian	Greek. [You're	Greek. [Tu non sei	You are okay for a
	okay for a	male per essere un	grouchy old man.
	grouchy old	vecchio	
	man.]	brontolone.]	

A peculiar translation procedure of an L3 spoken in the original version of one of the films included in our corpus can be observed in *Crash*, where different techniques are adopted in the original version and in the Italian dubbed version to convey an exchange in Farsi between Farhad, a Persian shop owner, and his daughter Dorri: whereas in the original version spoken Farsi is left untranslated, in the Italian version it is maintained unaltered at the spoken level and its meaning is conveyed by means of open interlingual subtitles (covering 30% of the total occurrences). This particular scene features Farhad and Dorri arguing over what box of bullets they should buy while purchasing a revolver at a gun store (63).

(63)

Gun shop	You get one free	Le spetta una	You are due a free
owner	box of	scatola di	box of ammunition.
	ammunition.	munizioni gratis.	What do you
	What kind do	Quali preferisce?	prefer?
	you want?	_	
Farhad	Farsi	Farsi [Che ha	What did he say?
		detto? Munizioni?]	Ammunition?
Dorri	Farsi	Farsi [Ti ha	He asked you what
		chiesto che tipo di	type of ammunition
		pallottole vuoi.]	you want.
Farhad	Farsi	Farsi [Quelle	Those suitable to
		giuste per la	the gun.
		pistola.]	

Dorri	Farsi	Farsi [Ci sono	There are different
		diversi tipi.]	types.
Farhad	Farsi	Farsi [Io non so	I don't know
		niente di pistole.]	anything about
			guns.
Dorri	Farsi	Farsi [Altra buona	Another good
		ragione per non	reason not to buy
		comprarne una,	one, dad.
		papà.]	
Farhad	Farsi	Farsi [Non usare	Don't use that tone
		quel tono con me!]	with me!
Gun shop	Yo, Osama!	Ehi, Osama!	Ehi, Osama! Plan a
owner	Plan a <i>jihad</i> on	Organizzala a casa	<i>jihad</i> at your own
	your own time.	tua la jihad! Che	house. What do you
	What do you	cosa vuoi?	want?
	want?		

In (63) the presence of open interlingual subtitles in the Italian dubbed version allows the target audience a higher degree of comprehension of the conversation, which also sees Dorri initially acting as an interpreter when the gun shop owner asks Farhad, in English, what type of ammunition they want. We can notice that the lack of comprehension the film's original audience experiences, owing to the lack of a translation of the exchange between Farhad and Dorri, is the same lack of comprehension that causes the gun shop owner to misunderstand the contents of the dialogue between father and daughter, to grow impatient, to degrade the two of them by referring to Farhad as "Osama" and to angrily order Farhad "Plan a jihad on your own time", using an Arabic term, i.e. *jihad*, that refers to a struggle or fight against the enemies of Islam and that is significantly left unaltered in the Italian dubbed version as deeply rooted into the faith of Islam. The use of Farsi between Farhad and Dorri highlights another important aspect with regard to the characters' portrayal and self-identification: the fact that Farhad and Dorri feel the victims of discrimination urges them to stick to their linguistic background, something that gives them a sense of selfconfidence and represents a means of survival in a society they perceive as essentially hostile.

2.2.2. Non-translation

If open interlingual subtitles, as discussed in 2.2.1., allow the audience to fully taste the flavour of foreignness depicted in the films' original version, this goal seems to be even more thoroughly achieved when no replacement strategies are adopted for the L3 in instances of turnspecific and intersentential code-switching. Indeed, in many of the films included in our corpus, the L3 is often left undubbed at the spoken level and untranslated, with no open interlingual subtitles conveying its meaning into the L1/L2 (as is the case with Gran Torino, Crash, Vicky Cristina Barcelona, The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, My Life in Ruins, Eat Pray Love, Bend It Like Beckham, Spanglish). Even though the strategy of non-translation has been traditionally intended as the decision to leave untranslated a segment of the source text "when the segment contains needless details [...] or information that is difficult to translate concisely because culture specific, or both" (Armstrong 2005: 159), in the case of the multilingual films at stake, such non-translation procedure might be due either to a traditional L1-to-L2 approach (with no strategy for L3) or, most probably, to a decision to maintain the highest degree of heterolingualism possible (Voellmer, Zabalbeascoa 2014), thus creating a specific transethnic and translinguistic common ground that both the source language audience and the target language audience are made aware of.

In *Gran Torino*, Hmong is mostly left unaltered especially in the instances of turn-specific code-switching occurring when Walt interacts with his Hmong neighbours, as Walt speaks English whereas the Hmong characters speak their mother tongue (covering 31% of the total occurrences). This non-reciprocal language use can be observed in many scenes, for instance when a Hmong couple brings Walt some gifts after he saved Thao from an aggression by an Asian gang (64),

(64)

Hmong couple	Hmong	Hmong	
Walt to Hmong couple	No. no. No more.	No. No. Via, adesso basta.	No. No. Go away, now stop it.
Hmong couple	Hmong	Hmong	

when Walt is visited by two elderly Hmong women, each carrying a bouquet of flowers as a sign of their gratitude for what he did for their community (65),

(65)

Hmong	Hmong	Hmong	
women to			
Walt			
Walt	No. No more.	No, ora basta, eh?	No, stop no, eh?
Hmong	Hmong	Hmong	
women to			
Walt			
((setting			
the			
bouquets			
on his			
porch))			
Walt	Okay, just put	Okay, metteteli lì.	Okay, put them
	them there.	Oh, accidenti!	there. Oh gosh!
Hmong	Hmong	Hmong	
women			
Walt	Goodbye.	Arrivederci.	Goodbye.

and when, during a barbecue, Walt sits among several Hmong women who take great delight in feeding him with different Hmong specialties while he makes some enthusiastic comments about the food he is served (66).

(66)

Hmong women	Hmong	Hmong	
Walt	Fantastic. Well, you ladies are wonderful.	Hmm. Buonissimo. Voi signore siete meravigliose.	Hmm. Fantastic. You ladies are wonderful.
Hmong women	Hmong	Hmong	
Walt	This stuff is really good.	Questa roba è squisita.	This stuff is delicious.
Hmong women	Hmong	Hmong	

Walt	Thank you very	Va bene. Vi	Okay. I thank you
	much but I have to	ringrazio molto ma	very much but
	go now. I have to	adesso adesso	now now I
	go now. I'll be	devo proprio	really have to go.
	back. Now, don't	andare. Però torno,	But I'll come
	let anything go	non portate via	back, don't take
	away.	niente.	anything away.

Excerpts (64-66) highlight a very interesting aspect as far as the characters' speech patterns are concerned, i.e. the Hmong characters and Walt interact without really understanding what their interlocutor is saying. The fact that the conversations are carried out even though Walt doesn't understand Hmong and the Hmong characters don't understand English suggest that a form of empathy is developing between them, allowing them to overcome language barriers and to establish a connection all the same. In these cases, the strategy of non-translation proves to be very effective to reproduce authentic multilingual discourse practices, all the more so as translating the Hmong utterances into English/Italian would have gone against any credibility principle with regard to the portrayal of the immigrant characters' ethnolinguistic identity, deeply stuck into their sociocultural and linguistic background heritage.

In *Bend It Like Beckham*, already widely discussed for the presence of translation strategies that erase the L3 in the Italian dubbed version (see 2.1.2., 2.1.3., 2.1.3.1.), some Punjabi utterances are also maintained unaltered and untranslated in both versions in instances of both turn-specific and intersentential code-switching (covering 43% of the total occurrences) when they don't have crucial implications at discourse level and the meaning of the L3 can be easily inferred from the rest of the conversation (67-72).

(67)

Pinky/Jess	Punjabi	Punjabi	
Tony	Mum!	Mamma!	Mom!
Tony's	Punjabi	Punjabi	
mother			

(68)

Teet's	All I know is that	Io so solo che i	I only know that
mother	children are a map of	nostri figli sono	our children are
	their parents.	come i nostri	like our mirrors.
	Punjabi	specchi. Capite?	Do you
		Punjabi	understand?
Teet's	Punjabi	Punjabi	
father			

(69)

()			
Teet	Punjabi	Punjabi	
Teet's	Punjabi	Punjabi	
father			
Teet's	Punjabi	Punjabi	
mother			

(70)

Mrs	Have any of you	Avete visto	Have you seen
Bhamra	seen Jesminder?	Jesminder?	Jesminder?
	Jesminder?	Jesminder?	Jesminder?
	Jesminder? Punjabi	Jesminder? Punjabi	Jesminder?

(71)

Tony's	English people are	Questi inglesi	These English
mother	always complaining	protestano sempre	people always
	when we're having	quando noi	complain when we
	functions. Punjabi	facciamo festa.	celebrate. Why did
	Why did she take	Punjabi Perchè ha	she take
	Jesminder's shoes?	levato le scarpe a	Jesminder's
		Jesminder?	shoes?

(72)

Tony to	Mum, unclety,	Mamma, zio, zia,	Mum, uncle,
the	auntiety We've got	sentite, noi due	auntie We've got
family	something we want	abbiamo una cosa	something to tell
	to tell you.	da dirvi.	you.
Mrs	Punjabi	Punjabi	
Bhamra	-		

Indian	Why is he holding	Ma perché la tiene	But why is he
woman	her hand?	per mano?	holding her hand?
Tony	We've been good	Come sapete, siamo	As you know,
	friends for a long	ottimi amici da	we've been good
	time now. We'd like	tanto tempo. Vi	friends for a long
	to ask for your	chiediamo la vostra	time now. We ask
	blessings. We'd like	benedizione. Noi ci	for your blessings.
	to get engaged.	vorremmo	We'd like to get
		fidanzare.	engaged.
Indian	Punjabi	Punjabi	
woman			

In Bend It Like Beckham, the presence of the L3 as unaltered and untranslated in both versions is especially to be recognized in instances of unmarked, metaphorical intersentential code-switching (covering 20% of the total occurrences) when conflicts between Mrs Bhamra and Jess are at stake, as the mother tries to ward off authority challenges from her daughter using their we-code. This seems to highlight a reverse tendency to the already discussed elimination of the we-code in the instances of turnspecific and intersentential code-switching enacted to negotiate, mediate and manage conflicts in values and identities as illustrated in 2.1.3. Indeed, in this film, spoken Punjabi is extensively used by Mrs Bhamra when she addresses Jess to express her disapproval of the girl's unorthodox ambition of playing soccer professionally instead of doing what all good and dutiful Pakistani girls do (i.e. finishing school, getting married to a good Pakistani man and learning to cook Indian food); in this sense, Mrs Bhamra strengthens the power she wants to exert over her daughter in imposing the we-code as the symbol of the respect Jess should have for her community traditions and principles (Monti 2014, 2016). Verbal conflict occurs, for instance, when Jess is made fun of by some friends because of a scar she has on her leg, a scar she shows without any problem whereas her mother thinks this is a reason of shame (73).

(73)

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Mrs	He was touching	Ti stava toccando	He was touching
Bhamra	you all over	dappertutto, ti	you all over, he was
to Jess	putting his hands	metteva le mani	putting his hands on
	on your bare legs!	sulle gambe nude!	your bare legs!
	You're not a young	Non sei più mica	You're not young

girl any more! And	ragazzina. E poi fai	girl any more! And
you, showing the	vedere a tutti la	then you show
world your scar!	cicatrice! Punjabi	everybody your
Punjabi		scar!

In (73) Mrs Bhamra complains about her daughter's behaviour and her last utterance in Punjabi is left untranslated, as its main function is to convey the woman's anger and it's probably devoid of key meanings.

Likewise, Mrs Bhamra's anger is conveyed, in both versions, by intersentential code-switching from English to Punjabi when she finds a pair of football shoes in Jess's bag and shows her irritation linguistically counterposing Western and Indian traditions as the reference to football shoes, a symbol of a typically Western sport, is immediately followed by an utterance in Punjabi (74).

(74)

Mrs	Football shoes!	Scarpe da pallone!	Football shoes!
Bhamra	Punjabi	Punjabi	
((opening			
the bag))			

As both (73) and (74) illustrate, the non-translation of the L3/we-code seems to be prevailingly adopted when intersentential code-switching is used to express the speaker's states of mind and involvement in emotionally intense exchanges, thus also perfectly fulfilling code-switching's emotive function, as excerpts (75-78) featuring Mrs Bhamra's outbursts of anger further exemplify.

(75)

Jess		È troppo stretto. Lo	It's too tight. I want
	want it looser.	voglio comodo.	it comfortable.
Mrs	Dressed in a sack,	Se ti metti un sacco,	If you put on a sack,
Bhamra	who's going to	quale ragazzo ti	what kind of boy is
	notice you, huh?	noterà? Punjabi	going to notice you?
	Punjabi		

(76)

Mrs	You've ruined your	Hai rovinato la vita	You have ruined
Bhamra	sister's life!	a tua sorella!	your sister's life!

Punjabi Happy	Punjabi Sei	Are you happy
now?	contenta ora?	now?

(77)

Mrs	Punjabi Don't	Punjabi Guarda che	Listen, I knew that
Bhamra	think I didn't know	io sapevo che	you were secretly
	that you were	amoreggiavi di	flirting with that
	sneaking out with	nascosto con quel	good-for-nothing
	that good-for-	fannullone di Teetu,	Teetu, okay!
	nothing Teetu as	va bene! <i>Punjabi</i>	
	well! Punjabi		

(78)

(70)			
Mrs	Jesminder, you get	Jasminder, torna	Jesminder, come
Bhamra	back home now!	subito a casa.	home immediately.
to Jess	Punjabi Jesminder,	Punjabi Ma mi stai	But are you
	are you listening to	a sentire? Punjabi	listening to me?
	me? Punjabi	Jasminder, ma sei	Jesminder, have you
	Jesminder, have	impazzita? Basta	gone mad? Stop
	you gone mad?	con questo pallone!	with this football!
	Football, shootball!	Tua sorella sta per	Your sister is going
	Your sister's	sposare e tu stai a	to marry and you
	getting engaged	guardare quel	stay there watching
	and you're sitting	teppista rapato!	that bonehead
	here watching this	_	hoodlum!
	skinhead boy!		

Similar speech patterns can be observed in *Crash*, where exchanges in Farsi are left unaltered in the film's Italian dubbed version (covering 43% of the total occurrences) especially when their contents do not contribute crucial meanings to the overall conversation, as we see when Farhad and Dorri comment upon a specific situation they find themselves in (79), or when they can be inferred from other characters' utterances, as we see when Farhad and Dorri talk with the gun shop owner as well as with Shereen when at Farhad's shop (80, 81).

(79)

Andy	Let's go, go.	Per favore, si	Please, go.
		accomodi.	

Farhad	Farsi	Farsi	
Dorri	Farsi	Farsi	

(80)

Farhad	Farsi	Farsi	
Dorri	Farsi	Farsi	
Dorri to	You can give me	Ora lei mi dà la	Now you give me
Gun shop	the gun or give	pistola o mi ridà i	the gun or you give
owner	me back the	miei soldi. E io	me back my
	money. And I am	preferirei di gran	money. And I
	really hoping for	lunga i miei soldi.	would by far prefer
	the money.		the money.

(81)

Farhad	Farsi	Farsi	
Shereen	Dorri, you should be at vork.	Tu, Dorri, devi essere al lavoro.	You, Dorri, should be at work
Farhad	Farsi	Farsi	

Also in *East Is East* most exchanges in Urdu among the members of the Pakistani community in Salford are left untranslated in both versions (covering 87% out of the total occurrences) with the main function of conveying the speakers' sense of shared identity; this can be seen when George Khan talks to the Mullah (82, 83, 84), to other men of the Pakistani community in order to arrange the marriages between Abdul and Nushaaba and between Tariq and Nigget (85), to a market seller (86).

(82)

George Khan	Urdu	Urdu	
Mullah	Urdu	Urdu	

(83)

George	<i>Urdu</i> I'll fix	<i>Urdu</i> Ci penso io.	I'll think about it.
Khan to	them.		
the			
Mullah			

(84)

George	Urdu	Urdu	
Khan			
Mullah	Urdu	Urdu	

(85)

Men	Urdu	Urdu	
George	Urdu	Urdu	
Khan			
Man 1 to	You speak Urdu	Tu ancora non	You still don't
Abdul	yet, huh?	parli Urdu.	speak Urdu.
George	I send them	Io mando a	I send to lesson
Khan	learning, but	lezione ma	but nothing.
	nothing.	niente.	
Men	Urdu	Urdu	
[]			
Mullah	Urdu	Urdu	
Man 1	Urdu	Urdu	
Mr Shah	Urdu	Urdu	
George	Urdu	Urdu	
Khan			

(86)

George	Salaam-alacum.	Salaam-alacum.	
Khan			
Market	Urdu	Urdu	
seller			

The expression of ethnic belonging and self-identification as conveyed by the we-code observed in (82-86) is to be further recognized in *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, where the spoken L3 is extensively left untranslated (covering 41% of the total occurrences). In this film, the nontranslation of spoken Spanish is mainly adopted in scenes featuring Juan Antonio's father, who does not speak a word of English as he thinks that Spanish is the only language that deserves to be spoken. The man's very nationalistic attitude towards his mother tongue is highlighted when Juan Antonio visits him accompanied by Vicky; when Juan Antonio and Vicky arrive, Juan Antonio's father greets them and speaks Spanish both with his

son, who in turn uses their mother tongue, and with Vicky, taking for granted that she knows Spanish (87).

(87)

(87)			
Juan	Hola, hijo.	Hola, hijo	
Antonio's			
father			
Juan	Hola, ¿cómo	Hola, ¿cómo	
Antonio	estás?	estás?	
Juan	Muy bien.	Muy bien.	
Antonio's			
father			
Juan	Te veo muy bien.	Te veo muy bien.	
Antonio	Tan guapo. Mira.	Tan guapo. Mira.	
	Eh, mi amiga.	Eh, mi amiga.	
	Vicky.	Vicky.	
Vicky	Buenos días.	Buenos días.	
Juan	Buenos días.	Buenos días.	
Antonio's			
father			
Juan	My father, Julio.	Mio padre, Julio.	My father, Julio.
Antonio to		1	
Vicky			
Vicky	Julio. Buenos días.	Julio. Buenos	
	Qué casa tan	días. Qué casa	
	bonita.	tan bonita.	
Juan	Considera que es	Considera que es	
Antonio's	tuya.	tuya.	
father		,	
Vicky	Oh, you know, if	Oh, più di così	Oh, more than this
	we carry on, I	non credo di	I don't think I
	don't think it's	essere in grado	can
	gonna		
Juan	((to Vicky)) That's	((to Vicky)) Va	That's fine, well
Antonio	fine, that was great	benissimo, brava.	done. He doesn't
	He speaks no	Lui non ti	understand you.
	English. ((to his	capisce. ((to his	
	father)) Entiende	father)) Entiende	
	un poquito de	un poquito de	
	1 1		ı

	español ella.	español ella.	
Juan	Ah, porque no me	Ah, porque no me	
Antonio's	importa. Pasad,	importa. Pasad,	
father	pasad. Adelante.	pasad. Adelante.	

In (87) the conversation is mostly held in Spanish with a few instances of turn-specific code-switching from Spanish to English when Juan Antonio talks to Vicky. An interesting aspect this excerpt highlights is that the decision to maintain spoken Spanish unaltered and untranslated in both versions is primarily due to the need to give a faithful portrayal of Juan Antonio's father also on account of what Juan Antonio explains to Vicky while entering the house immediately after their arrival, i.e. that his father is a poet and only speaks Spanish as he thinks that any other language would pollute his words, an idea Vicky herself agrees upon in saying that a translation process almost always implies a loss of meaning. This exchange between Juan Antonio and Vicky in a sense compels the Italian translator/dialogue adaptor to conform to the discourse pattern of the original version.

In Vicky Cristina Barcelona non-translation of Spanish is related not only to the characters' portrayal but also to the conversational context at stake as well as to the scene's structure and narrative intent. In many cases, some Spanish lines are not translated as they don't contribute crucial meanings to the overall exchange but are rather used to express a sense of closeness between speakers bound together by a strong mutual affection, as is the case when María Elena uses Spanish, by means of unmarked intersentential code-switching, at the beginning and at the end of an utterance in English and Juan Antonio makes a comment upon what she says converging to their mother tongue and displaying, in his turn, his intimacy with the woman (88).

(88)

María	Mucha tensión, de	Mucha tensión,	He doesn't care of
Elena	pensar. [] Oh, to	de pensar. []	the world, he
	the world, he's	Lui non se cura	doesn't care about
	carefree, nothing	del mundo, non	anything, life is
	matters, life is	gli importa	short, with no
	short and with no	niente, la vita è	purpose. But all his
	purpose kind of	breve, senza	fears go into his
	thing. But all his	nessuno scopo.	head.

	fear just goes to his	Ma tutte le sue	
	head. Oye,	paure gli	
	relájate.	finiscono nella	
		testa. Oye,	
		relájate.	
Juan	Sí, con esas manos	Sí, con esas	
Antonio	que tienes.	manos que tienes.	

Likewise, exchanges are left in Spanish when they involve outbursts of rage in emotionally intense scenes, as we can see when Juan Antonio dashes towards María Elena in the attempt to take away from her hand the pistol she is holding against him and Vicky (89).

(89)

Juan	¡María Elena,	¡María Elena,	
Antonio	suelta eso!	suelta eso!	
María Elena	la mierda! ¡Que	la mierda!	
((shrieking))	no!	¡Que no!	
Juan	Suelta eso, por	Suelta eso, por	
Antonio	favor! Maria Elena.	favor! Maria	
	Maria Elena.	Elena. Maria	
	¡Suelta! ¡María	Elena. ¡Suelta!	
	Elena, suelta eso!	¡María Elena,	
	¡Mátame! ¡Déjame,	suelta eso!	
	que te mato! ¡Que	¡Mátame!	
	te mato! ¡Déjame,	¡Déjame, que te	
	que te mato!	mato! ¡Que te	
		mato! ¡Déjame,	
		que te mato!	

As excerpt (89) clearly illustrates, the Spanish emphatic expressions and exclamatory statements are not translated as they mainly aim to convey the characters' tension and, consequently, to increase the audience's emotional involvement in the scene.

In Vicky Cristina Barcelona, Spanish utterances are left untranslated also when their content is disclosed by another character in another part of the conversation, as we can see when Juan Antonio, informed that María Elena tried to kill herself, speaks in Spanish with the

doctor who calls him from the hospital and then he adopts participantrelated code-switching from Spanish to English to explain, both to Cristina and to the audience, what happened (90).

(90)

Juan	Y ¿cómo está?	Y ¿cómo está?	
Antonio	Vale, sí, vale.	Vale, sí, vale.	
	¿En…en qué	¿En…en qué	
	hospital está?	hospital está? Vale.	
	Vale. Sí, gracias,	Sí, gracias, gracias.	
	gracias. ¿En qué	¿En qué planta	
	planta está? Vale,	está? Vale, gracias,	
	gracias, gracias.	gracias.	
Cristina	What?	Ma che c'è?	But what's the
			matter?
Juan	María Elena is	María Elena	María Elena is
Antonio	eh se ha intent-	sieh se ha	eh se ha intent-
	she tried to kill	<i>intent</i> - ha tentato di	she tried to kill
	herself.	suicidarsi.	herself.

Non-translation of the L3 in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching is to be recognized also in films extensively portraying cross-cultural and crosslinguistic encounters as *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *My Life in Ruins*, *Eat Pray Love*.

In *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* Hindi is left unaltered in both versions (covering 20% of the total occurrences) when Indian and American characters exchange greetings as well as when Indian characters interact or recite prayers; some interesting cases of this procedure can be observed when Graham uses Hindi to greet Anokhi, who doesn't speak English (91); when Gaurika, Manoj's wife, calls her husband to inform him that Graham, the man he was in love with many years before, is there to visit him (92); when Manoj recites a Hindi prayer at Graham's funeral (93).

(91)

Graham	Namaste. Hindi	Namaste. Hindi	
Anokhi	Hindi	Hindi	

(92)

Gaurika	Hindi	Hindi	
Manoj	Hindi	Hindi	
	•		

(93)

Manoj	Hindi	Hindi	

Excerpts (91-93) interestingly show that the non-translation of spoken Hindi is generally adopted when it is used by Indian characters who have never left their home country and therefore only know their mother tongue. Furthermore, the presence of Hindi greetings and prayers proves to be an additional means to involve the audience in the sociocultural 'exotic' context represented on the screen.

Also in *My Life in Ruins* some utterances in Greek are not translated (covering 21% of the total occurrences) when their meaning is either inferred from the overall conversation, as can be seen when Georgia greets her Greek landlord Genaki before leaving for her tour (94), or disclosed by other characters (as already observed in excerpt 90), as we can see when she asks the Greek hotel manager how much she has to pay to send a letter (95).

(94)

Georgia	Greek	Greek	
Genaki	Greek	Greek	

(95)

Hotel	Greek	Greek	
manager			
Georgia	10 Euros? Greek	10 Euro? Greek	10 Euros?

Likewise, when two American tourists, Big Al and Kim, and a Greek souvenir shop owner have an argument, the beginning of their exchange, most of which is translated by means of misinterpreting (see 2.2.5.), presents an instance of situational, participant-related code-switching English-Greek when the tourists complain for the man's dishonest behaviour in trying to charge them extra money for a little souvenir and the man angrily replies using Greek, left untranslated but at least partly understood by the tourists as Big Al's reply suggests (96).

Big Al	I don't think I like	Non mi piace	I really don't like
	what it's going on	affatto quello che	what you are
	around here.	sta cercando di fare	trying to do with
		con noi.	us.
Souvenir	Greek	Greek	
shop			
owner			
Big Al	How did you call	Come ha chiamato	How did you call
	my wife?	mia moglie?	my wife?
Souvenir	Greek	Greek	
shop			
owner			

In *Eat Pray Love*, another film revolving around cross-cultural encounters, no translation of Portuguese is provided (covering 100% of the total occurrences) everytime Felipe and Armenia use it, both when they interact with each other or with other Brazilian characters and when they talk to Liz, in instances of unmarked, turn-specific and intersentential code-switching. When Felipe and Liz meet for the first time and the man, riding his car and distracted by the music on the radio, almost runs Liz off the road while she is riding her bike, he asks Liz if she is all right instinctively using Portuguese but then he switches to English, by means of participant-related, intersentential code-switching, supposing Liz is not Brazilian (97).

(97)

\ /			
Felipe	Meu Deus. Você	Meu Deus. Você	My God. Are you
	está bem? All you	está bem? Lei sta	all right?
	all right?	bene?	-
Liz	Are you blind?	Ma è cieco?	But are you blind?

In *Eat Pray Love*, and in particular in the last part set in Bali, what is interesting to notice as far as the presence of Portuguese and its rendering in the Italian version are concerned, is that it is always used by Felipe during intimate and emotionally intense conversations with Liz. This can be observed when he uses intersentential code-switching from Portuguese to English beginning his utterance with the Portuguese statement *Não entendo* ("I don't understand") to express his sadness in recognizing that Liz is afraid to start a relationship with him (98).

(98)

Felipe	Liz. Não entendo.	Liz. Não entendo.	What's the
	What's the	Che ti prende, Liz?	problem, Liz? I
	problem, Liz? I	Voglio dire, io ho	mean, I have the
	mean, I have the	le stesse paure, ho	same fears, I have
	same fears, I have	le stesse cicatrici	the same scars that
	the same scars that	che hai tu e non ho	you have and I
	you have and I	avuto timore di	didn't have any
	show them to you.	fartele vedere. Ma	fear to show them
	But I guess the	credo che l'unica	to you. But I think
	only difference	differenza tra te e	that the only
	between you and I	me è che tu hai	difference between
	is that you're	paura di amare	you and me is
	afraid to love	ancora. Mia cara, è	that you're afraid
	again. My darling,	tutto qui.	to love again. My
	this is it.		darling, this is it.

In the course of another emotionally intense exchange with Liz, Felipe uses unmarked turn-specific code-switching from English to Portuguese (99) to assign his utterances the same expressive force already observed in (98).

(99)

Liz	Do not tell me	Non ti azzardare a	Do not dare to tell
	what lessons I	dirmi quali lezioni	me what lessons I
	have and haven't	ho imparato o non	have or haven't
	learned in the last	ho imparato in	learned in the last
	year and don't	quest'anno e non	year and don't
	tell me how	mi dire quanto	tell me how
	balanced and wise	equilibrato sei tu	balanced you are
	you are. And how	mentre io non sono	whereas I can't
	I can't express	capace di	express myself!
	myself!	esprimermi!	
Felipe	Portuguese	Portuguese	
Liz	And do not say	Hai capito? E non	Did you
	darling to me	chiamarmi tesoro	understand? And
	again because am	perchè senno ti	don't call me
	just gonna lose it!	strangolo!	darling because
			otherwise I'm
			gonna strangle

			you!
Felipe	Portuguese	Portuguese	
Liz	Listen to me! I do	Ascoltami! Io non	Listen to me! I do
	not need to love	ho bisogno di amare	not need to love
	you to prove that I	te per provare di	you to prove that I
	love myself!	amare me stessa!	love myself!
Felipe	Portuguese	Portuguese	

In (99) the non-translation of Felipe's utterances, which in most cases overlap with Liz's utterances, may seem to be detrimental to the comprehension of the overall exchange but, actually, they mainly function as the linguistic correlative of the man's anger and are used to reinforce his emotional involvement.

The same emotional involvement permeating the conversations between Felipe and Liz as conveyed by the use of Portuguese can be observed when Felipe talks to his son T.J., in particular when he bids farewell to him as T.J. is going back to Australia, where he lives, after a week spent with his father (100).

(100)

Felipe	Cuidado con demais	Cuidado con demais	One week is too
	meninas. Elas são	meninas. Elas são	short. One week
	perigosas. Elas são	perigosas. Elas são	is too short.
	perigosas Our	perigosas Una	
	week was too short.	settimana è troppo	
	Our week was too	corta. Una settimana	
	short.	è troppo corta.	
T.J.	Yeah.	Si.	Yes.
[]			
Felipe	Oh, já tenho	Oh, já tenho	
	saudade de você!	saudade de você!	
T.J.	Eu também. Bye	Eu também. Ciao	Bye Liz.
	Liz.	Liz.	

At the beginning of the exchange Felipe uses Portuguese to give his son a piece of advice entailing humorous connotations as he tells him "Cuidado con demais meninas. Elas são perigosas", meaning "Stay away from all the beautiful girls. They are dangerous", then he intersententially switches

to English to end his utterance. He then switches again to Portuguese when he says to T.J. "Oh, já tenho saudade de você!", i.e. "I'm missing you already", and T.J. converges to his father's language in replying "Eu também", i.e. "Me too", but then he adopts participant-related intersentential code-switching when saying goodbye to Liz. This exchange is a perfectly authentic combination of Portuguese and English/Italian that significantly portrays the characters' linguistic identity and speech patterns, even though Portuguese prevails as used by Felipe and T.J. as the language representative of their blood ties.

Portuguese is also used in instances of participant-related codeswitching by members of the Brazilian community in Bali, as we can see when Armenia intersententially switches from English, when addressing Liz, to Portuguese, when addressing Felipe, who in turn replies using their shared mother tongue (101).

(101)

Armenia	Liz!	Liz!	Liz!
Liz	Hi!	Ciao!	Hi!
Armenia	Hi! I see you've	Ciao! Vedo che hai	HI! I see you've
	already met	già conosciuto	already met
	Felipe. Tudo bem?	Felipe. Tudo bem?	Felipe.
Felipe	Tudo bem.	Tudo bem.	

One of the films where the presence of the L3 as untranslated in both versions distinctively aims to convey the speakers' attachment to their background sociolinguistic heritage is Spanglish, where Spanish is spoken whenever two or more Hispanic characters are on the screen. This procedure seems to be mainly related to the distinctive ethnolinguistic reality this film wants to portray. As a fact, Spanglish is a film that pervadingly capitalizes on issues of linguistic identity in Los Angeles, as clearly expressed at the very beginning by Cristina stating that her mother decided to move to Los Angeles as it is "48 per cent Hispanic", and presents the Hispanic characters and the American characters as defined by personalities that are, at least initially, impermeable also from the linguistic point of view. These preliminary considerations clarify that Spanish plays the main role in this story of cross-cultural communication and miscommunication where Flor represents the Hispanic culture that struggles to remain also linguistically authentic in a multicultural society, and this is the reason why Spanish is always visible in both versions: its

presence allows both audiences to plunge into what we could define as the ethnolinguistic and sociocultural 'bubble' within which Flor is immersed in LA, a bubble that also includes Flor's relatives already living there. Indeed, whereas at her arrival in LA Flor looks bewildered as she encounters an 'alien' environment where everyone speaks English, when she moves to the Hispanic area she feels she is 'at home' again as she understands everything everyone says. This Hispanic bubble is made also visually evident thanks to the many Hispanic props pervading the scenes, e.g. pictures of Mexican men, Mexican hats, writings in Spanish (left in Spanish with no open subtitles to provide a translation), the flag of Mexico hung at the same height as the flag of the United States. The importance of being, also linguistically, authentic is further inferred from the fact that, before starting to work for the Claskys, Flor never leaves the Hispanic environment by working at a laundry in the neighborhood and she is always shown as happily interacting with other people in Spanish.

The maintenance of spoken Spanish as the crucial marker of Flor's identity can be frequently observed throughout the whole film when Flor talks to either her cousin Monica or other members of her Hispanic community, in particular when they comment upon specific situations they find themselves in without being either heard or understood by their American interlocutors (102, 103).

(102)

Man	¿Ahora qué le	¿Ahora qué le	
	pasa?	pasa?	
Flor to	Tengo que sacarla	Tengo que sacarla	
Monica	de allí.	de allí.	
Monica	jSí. Sí!	¡Sí. Sí!	
to Flor			
Monica	Cuidado, eh? No	Cuidado, eh? No	
	pasa nada. Nada, va	pasa nada. Nada, va	
	por la niña	por la niña	

(103)

Monica	Que están atrás.	Que están atrás.	
to Flor	Vente.	Vente.	
Cristina	Holding out had	Ma aspettare era	But waiting had
((voice))	helped though.	stato utile.	been useful.
Monica	Ándale, no mires.	Ándale, no mires.	

to Flor	No te (matan).	No te (matan).	
Cristina	She was no longer	Non era più	She was no longer
((voice))	intimidated.	intimidita.	intimitated.
Monica	¿Lista?	¿Lista?	
to Flor			

In (103) it is important to notice that Cristina's statements express the girl's opinion on her mother's attitude after her arrival in LA and do not provide a translation of Monica's Spanish utterances, as is instead the case with other scenes where Cristina acts as an interpreter between Flor and some American characters (see 2.2.4.).

In *Spanglish* another conversational context within which Spanish is tipically undubbed in both versions is related to emotionally-charged exchanges between Flor and Cristina (104-107).

(104)

Cristina as a child	Te quiero.	Te quiero.	
Flor	Yo también te quiero, mi amor.	Yo también te quiero, mi amor.	

(105)

Flor to	Hola mi amor.	Hola mi amor.	
Cristina	Tienes que	Tienes que	
	ayudarme.	ayudarme.	

(106)

Flor to	Cristina. Cristina.	Cristina. Cristina.	
Cristina	No me averguenzes.	No me averguenzes.	
	Vamonos con	Vamonos con	
	dignidad. Está bien.	dignidad. Está bien.	
	Ya no llores más.	Ya no llores más.	

(107)

Flor	Cristina, Cristina	Cristina, Cristina,	
	por favor	por favor	
Cristina	You ruined	Tu hai voluto	You wanted to
((shouts))	everything! You	rovinare tutto! Tu	ruin

	ruined everything!	hai voluto rovinare tutto!	everything! You wanted to ruin everything!
Flor	Agarra las cosas del suelo.	Agarra las cosas del suelo.	
Cristina ((shouts))	This ruins my life! You've ruined everything! I will never forgive you.	Cosí mi rovini la vita! Tu hai voluto rovinare tutto! Non ti perdonerò mai!	In this way you ruin my life! You wanted to ruin everything! I will never forgive you!
Flor	Te prometo que todo estará bien. ((overlap)) Vamos. Vamos, mi amor.	Te prometo que todo estará bien. ((overlap)) Vamos. Vamos, mi amor.	

Excerpts (104-107) also clearly illustrate the non-reciprocal language use distinctive of intergenerational discourse practices within immigrant families, as already seen in other films under study (see 2.1.3.).

But in *Spanglish* the presence of spoken Spanish is not restricted to in-group interactions as it is to be observed when Flor talks to John and adopts situation-related, turn-specific code-switching to utter some Spanish words and phrases whose meaning can be easily guessed and understood both by her American interlocutor and by the viewers (108-110).

(108)

John	Whoa! I didn't	Oh! Non sapevo	Whoa! I didn't
	know Deborah had	che Deb avesse	know Deborah had
	found someone	trovato qualcuno.	found someone
	you work here?	Lei- l-lei lavorerà	Are you going to
	You're going to	qui? Ci darà una	work here? Are
	help with the house	mano con la casa e	you going to help
	and kids?	i ragazzi?	with the house and
			kids?
Flor	Solo Español.	Solo Español.	
John	You work here and	Lei lavora qui e	You work here and
	you don't speak any	non capisce	you don't

English at all?	neanche una	understand a word?
	parola?	

(109)

John	Who-who-who-	Aspetta, aspetta,	Wait, wait, wait,
	who-who-who-	aspetta, aspetta,	wait, wait, wait,
	who-who-woha!	aspetta, aspetta,	wait! What are
	What are you	aspetta! Che stai	you doing? We
	doing? We're still	facendo? Non siamo	are not still. I'll
	moving. I'll take	fermi. Ti	take you to the
	you all the way to	accompagno fino	bus stop.
	the bus stop.	alla fermata	
		dell'autobus.	
Flor	Y-ya está aquí.	Y-ya está aquí.	

(110)

(110)		I	
John	Flor?	Flor?	Flor?
((voice))			
Flor	Por favor, dejeme	Por favor, dejeme	
	sola. Estoy bien, de-	sola. Estoy bien,	
	de verdad, estoy	de-de verdad, estoy	
	bien.	bien.	
John	I'm sorry. Very	Mi dispiace. Mi	I'm sorry. I'm
	sorry. Listen, she'll	dispiace! Vedrai	sorry! You'll see
	be back shortly. No,	che torna fra poco.	that she'll be back
	no, no, you don't	Ah, no no no, non	in a while. Ah, no
	have to work. It's	devi lavorare.	no no, you don't
	give me that. Yeah.	Eh dammi qua.	have to work.
	((takes a glass, fills	Okay. ((takes a	Eh give it to
	it with water for	glass, fills it with	me. Okay. Here.
	her)) Here.	water for her))	
		Tieni.	

2.2.3. Voice-over

Another effective way of conveying the presence of L3s in the instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching is the strategy of voice-over, i.e. a faithful translation of the original speech with the

original soundtarck and the translation track emitted simultaneously (Franco, Matamala, Orero 2010) and the original sound being either reduced entirely or to a low level of audibility, entailing the common practice of allowing "the original sound to be heard for several seconds at the onset of the speech and of having it subsequently reduced so that the translated speech takes over" (Luyken 1991: 80). The process of voice-over has been variously defined as either "non-synchronized dubbing" (Dries 1995: 9) or its opposite "doublage synchrone" (Kaufmann 1995: 438), as "dubbing-with-voice-over" (Baranitch 1995: 309), as a type of simultaneous interpreting (Ponnio 1995: 303; Gambier 1996: 8) and as half-dubbing (Hendrickx 1984) according to the fact that, as with dubbing, the text is proposed orally but, as with subtitling, the contents are necessarily abridged.

Among the films included in our corpus *Spanglish* stands out for a peculiar use of voice-over (covering 13% of the total occurrences); especially at the beginning of the film, set in both Mexico and Spanish-speaking LA, voice-over almost entirely replaces dialogue and, throughout the whole film, it is used when conversations between Flor and Cristina are at stake. The revoicing of Flor's Spanish utterances into English in the original version and into Italian in the Italian dubbed version is always carried out by Cristina and is to be recognized in particular in two scenes: at the beginning of the film, Flor tells Cristina that they are going to leave Mexico to move to the USA and voice-over serves to contextualize the dialogue in Spanish between the girl and her mother (111).

(111)

Flor	No más una	No más una	
	lagrima. No más	lagrima. No más	
	una.	una.	
Cristina	One tear.	Una lacrima.	One tear.
((voice))			
Flor	¡Una!	¡Una!	
Cristina	Just one.	Solo una.	Just one.
((voice))			
Flor	Una, una, una.	Una, una, una.	
Cristina	So make it a good	Ma che sia buona.	But that is a good
((voice))	one.		one.
Flor	Pero bien llorada.	Pero bien llorada.	
Cristina	She said. She	Disse. Lei sarebbe	She said. She

((voice))	would be my	stata il mio	would have been
	Mexico.	Messico.	my Mexico.

At the end of the film, Flor uses Spanish as a metalinguistic commentary on her thoughts and feelings that are conveyed to both audiences by Cristina's voice (112).

(112)

Flor	¿Eso es tú lo que	¿Eso es tú lo que	
((crying))	quieres para ti	quieres para ti	
	misma?	misma?	
Cristina	Is what you want	È questo che vuoi	Is this that you
((voice))	for yourself	per te stessa?	want for yourself?
Flor	Convertirte en	Convertirte en	
	alguien tan	alguien tan	
Cristina	to become	Diventare una	To become a
((voice))	someone very	persona tanto	person so
	different	diversa	different
Flor	¿ tan diferente	¿ tan diferente	
	de mí?	de mí?	
Cristina	than me?	da me?	from me?
((voice))			

2.2.4. Interpreting the L3

Another translation mode often adopted to recreate the sense of foreigness provided by multilingual discourse practices and, in particular, by the presence of one or more L3s in instances of turn-specific codeswitching is interpreting (Bleichenbacher 2008), a procedure according to which one bilingual character acts as an interpreter between characters who don't know their interlocutor's mother tongue and translates from one language to the other: he/she thus plays a mediating role between the speakers and, at the same time, explicitly translates the dialogues' contents for the film's audience to guarantee full comprehensibility of the conversations' contents.

Such intratextual translation strategy (cf. Zabalbeascoa 2012) can be observed both in films featuring immigrant communities (such as *Spanglish* and *Gran Torino*) and in films set in cross-cultural, crosslinguistic environments (such as *Crash*, *My Life in Ruins*, *The Best* 124

Exotic Marigold Hotel, The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel). In Spanglish, Crash and Gran Torino it is used with specific narrative aims to point out how second- and third-generation immigrants often act as a linguistic bridge between their relatives and the Western world. Indeed, within immigrant families, parents may have minimal or no skills in the majority language and their bilingual children and grandchildren, rather than just transmitting information, act as information and communication brokers in a variety of contexts (Monti 2016). In particular, in Spanglish, Cristina and Monica translate from Spanish into English and vice versa in mediating between Flor, a Spanish-only speaker at the beginning of the film, and the English-only-speaking American characters; in *Gran Torino*, teenagers Thao and Sue and a little Hmong girl switch between Hmong and English to allow communication between their Hmong-only speaking elders and Walt; in Crash, Farhad's daughter Dorri acts as a mediator between her father and some American characters, especially when the interaction takes place in rather formal conversational contexts. In My Life in Ruins, Georgia acts as an interpreter in the interactions between her tourists and some Greek people they meet while touring Greece, whereas in The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel and The Second Best Exotic Marigold *Hotel* interpreting is prevailingly enacted in order to allow communication between Indian characters who are Hindi-only speakers and American characters who are English-only speakers.

In our corpus of films, it is in *Spanglish* that the strategy of interpreting results to be most extensively adopted (covering 71% of the total occurrences). At the beginning of the film, Flor, immediately after her arrival in LA, can't express herself in English with the Americans she meets without the mediation of another person; for instance, when she interacts with an American waitress, Cristina translates into English/Italian what the women say in their respective native languages, and, in particular, what her mother says in Spanish to allow communication (113).

(113)

Flor to	Dile que estamos	Dile que estamos	
Cristina	celebrando.	celebrando.	
Cristina	We're celebrating.	Dobbiamo	We have to
		festeggiare.	celebrate.
Waitress	Excuse me. Uh,	Scusatemi. Ehm, ci	Excuse me. Ehm,
	those men would	sono dei signori	there are some
	like to buy you a	che vorrebbero	men who would

	drink.	offrirvi da bere.	like to buy you a drink.
Flor	¿Qué?	¿Qué?	
Waitress	Those.	Quelli.	Those.
((points at			
someone))			
Cristina	Nos quieren	Nos quieren	
	comprar algo de	comprar algo de	
	tomar.	tomar.	
Cristina	Thank you!	Grazie!	Thanks!
to men			
Flor	No, gracias.	No, gracias.	
Waitress	Okay.	Va bene.	Okay.
Flor	No no no, momento,	No no no,	
((angrily))	espere. Digale a	momento, espere.	
	esos señores que	Digale a esos	
		señores que	
Waitress	Sorry.	Scusi.	Sorry.
Flor to	Dile que le diga	Dile que le diga	
Cristina			
Flor	Por Dios santo! Qué	Por Dios santo!	
((angrily))	les pasa? Que no	Qué les pasa? Que	
	ven que estoy con	no ven que estoy	
	mi hija? Dile	con mi hija? Dile	
	Cristina.	Cristina.	
Cristina	This is so	È una cosa	This is a really
	embarrassing. My	veramente	embarrassing
	mother said to tell	imbarazzante. Mia	thing. My mother
	them: "Who do you	madre vuole che	wants you to tell
	think you are? Can't	dica loro: "Chi	them: "Who do
	you see I'm with my	credete di essere?	you think you
	daughter, for God's	Non lo vedete che	are? Can't you
	sake?".	sono con mia figlia	see I'm with my
		Santo Dio?".	daughter, for
			God's sake?".

In another scene, during Flor's interview with Deborah, Flor's cousin Monica simultaneously switches from Spanish into English/Italian and vice

versa as Deborah does not understand Spanish and Flor does not understand English (114).

(114)

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Deborah	You're gorgeous!	Sei uno schianto!	You're gorgeous!
	You're gorgeous!	Sei uno schianto!	You're gorgeous!
Monica	Que, que estás	Que, que estás muy	
	muy bonita.	bonita.	
[]			
Deborah	I'm sorry. This is	Scusatemi. Lei è	I'm sorry. She is
	my daughter,	mia figlia, Bernice	my daughter,
	Bernice, and	e	Bernice, and
Bernice	Hi.	Ciao.	Hi.
Deborah	an-an-and my	e mia madre,	and my mother,
	mother, Evelyn	Evelyn Wright.	Evelyn Wright.
	Wright.		
Evelyn	Evelyn.	Evelyn.	Evelyn.
Monica	Ésta es la hija	Ésta es la hija	
	Bernice, y la	Bernice, y la mamà	
	mamà Evelyn	Evelyn Wright.	
	Wright.		
Deborah	Do you guys	Per caso volete	Do you want to
	wanna come in out	spostarvi dal sole?	come in out of the
	of the sun? You	State	sun? Do you
	wanna		
Monica	No, no, no, we're	No no no, stiamo	No no no, we're
	fine. ((to Flor))	bene. ((to Flor))	fine.
	Estamos bien aquì	Estamos bien aquì	
	en el sol, no?	en el sol, no?	
[]			
Deborah	Okay let's let's	Va bene	Okay, let's have
	just talk.	facciamo una	a talk.
		chiacchierata.	
Monica	Que pratiquemos.	Que pratiquemos.	
[]			
Deborah	So, the job is six	L'impegno è sei	The job is six days
	days a week.	giorni a settimana.	a week. Seven,
	Seven, eight,	Sette, otto, dodici	eight, twelve
	twelve hours, it	ore, dipende. Tutte	hours, it depends.
[] Deborah Monica []	wanna No, no, no, we're fine. ((to Flor)) Estamos bien aqui en el sol, no? Okay let's let's just talk. Que pratiquemos. So, the job is six days a week. Seven, eight,	No no no, stiamo bene. ((to Flor)) Estamos bien aquì en el sol, no? Va bene facciamo una chiacchierata. Que pratiquemos. L'impegno è sei giorni a settimana. Sette, otto, dodici	No no no, we're fine. Okay, let's have a talk. The job is six day a week. Seven, eight, twelve

	depends. All the	le faccende di casa,	All the
	housekeeping,	accompagnare i	housekeeping,
	driving the kids.	ragazzi.	driving the kids.
Monica	Seis días a la	Seis días a la	
to Flor	semana. Siete,	semana. Siete,	
	ocho, doce horas,	ocho, doce horas,	
	depende. Cuidar a	depende. Cuidar a	
	la casa, llevar a	la casa, llevar a	
	los niños.	los niños.	
Deborah	How much a week	Quanto vuoi alla	How much do you
	do you want?	settimana?	want a week?
Monica	¿Tú cuánto	¿Tú cuánto	
to Flor	quieres?	quieres?	

In excerpts (113) and (114), the maintenance of turn-specific codeswitching between L3 and L1/L2 proves to be crucially functional to the faithful rendering of Flor's initial sense of estrangement in the American society, a sense of estrangement that both the source language viewers and the target language viewers clearly perceive as they have to rely on Cristina's and Monica's translations to understand what Flor says.

In *Spanglish*, one of the most significant instances of interpreting as a transfer mode aimed both to enable communication and to convey the speakers' emotional involvement can be observed in the course of a long exchange between Flor and John, when they argue and Cristina, here portrayed as a somewhat unwilling mediator, literally translates her mother's Spanish statements (115).

(115)

Cristina to	My mother wishes	Mia madre vuole	My mother
John	for me to represent	che traduca	wants me to
	exactly what she	letteralmente	translate literally
	says, nothing else.	quello che dice,	what she says,
		nient'altro.	nothing else.
John	What?	Come?	What?
Flor to	¿Puedo hablar	¿Puedo hablar con	
John	con usted?	usted?	
((angrily))			
Cristina	May I talk to you?	Posso parlare con	May I talk to
		te?	you?

John	You mean your mother? Yeah. Sure. You can talk to me.	Vuoi dire tua madre? Sì. Certo. Puoi parlare con me.	Do you mean your mother? Yes, of course. You can talk to
			me.
Flor ((angrily))	¿Y no me tengo que dormir primero?	¿Y no me tengo que dormir primero?	
Cristina	I don't have to	E non devo	And don't I have
T 1	sleep first?	dormire prima?	to sleep first?
John	What's wrong?	Che succede?	What's wrong?
	Come on, come	Venite, andiamo,	Come on, let's
	on, sit down.	sedetevi.	go, take a seat.
Flor	¿Usted dio este	¿Usted dio este	
((angrily))	dinero a mi hija?	dinero a mi hija?	
Cristina	I'm sorry.	Mi dispiace.	I'm sorry.
	((angrily)) Did	((angrily)) Ha dato	((angrily)) Did
	you give this	lei questi soldi a	you give this
	money to my	mia figlia?	money to my
	daughter?		daughter?
John	Okay, I- I made a	Sì, senti. Io ho fatto	Yes, listen. I
	deal with the kids.	un patto con lei e	made a deal with
	All the kids.	con tutti i bambini.	her and with all
			the kids.
Flor	¡Oh, no!	¡Oh, no!	
((angrily))	¡Discúlpeme!	¡Discúlpeme!	
Cristina	Oh no! Please!	Oh no, la prego!	Oh no, please!

In (115), Cristina's interpreting clearly fulfils code-switching's referential, phatic and emotive functions as she accompanies her utterances with gestures and movements when interpreting her mother's words, thus also physically emphasizing the woman's anger.

The strategy of interpreting is also adopted in *Gran Torino* in instances of turn-specific code-switching (covering 35% of the total occurrences); in this film, it is mostly Sue that takes on the role of interpreter, using participant-related turn-specific code-switching, between Walt and the Hmong helders of both her family and her Hmong community. This can be observed, for example, when Walt is at his

Hmong neighbours' house and interacts with the old family Sciaman, Kor Khue, who 'reads' Walt's soul addressing him only in Hmong while Sue simultaneously translates what the old man says (116).

(116)

(110)			I
Sue to	Hmong	Hmong	
Kor			
Khue			
Kor	Hmong	Hmong	
Khue to	_	_	
Sue			
Sue to	Kor Khue is	Kor Khue è	Kor Khue is
Walt	interested in you, he	interessato a te. Ha	interested in you.
	heard what you did.	saputo quello che	He heard what
	He would like to	hai fatto. Vorrebbe	you did. He
	read you. It'd be	leggerti. Sarebbe	would like to read
	rude not to allow	offensivo non	you. It'd be rude
	him this, it's a great	accettare, è un	not to accept, it's
	honor.	grande onore.	a great honor.
Walt	Yeah, sure, fine by	Ah certo, va bene	Oh, sure, it's
	me.	per me.	okay for me.
Kor	Hmong	Hmong	•
Khue to	C C		
Walt			
Sue to	He says that you	Dice che la gente	He says that
Walt	think you've been	non ti rispetta. Che	people don't
	disrespected. That	non ti vuole	respect you. That
	people don't even	neanche guardare.	people don't even
	look at you.		want to look at
			you.
Kor	Hmong	Hmong	
Khue to			
Walt			
Sue to	He says that you do	Dice che nel tuo	He says that in
Walt	not live and your	modo di vivere non	your life style
	food has no flavor.	c'è più sapore, che	there is no flavour
	You are scared of	sei preoccupato per	anymore, that you
	your past.	la tua vita.	are worried about
	Jour Publi	10000 (100)	your life.
		<u> </u>	jour me.

In (116), it is interesting to notice that some Italian utterances don't provide a literal translation of the English utterances and assign a slightly different connotation to the American character, as we can see when Sue states "He says that you think you've been disrespected", which is translated as "Dice che la gente non ti rispetta" ("He says that people don't respect you"), erasing the reference to the fact that Walt only "thinks" he has been disrespected. Likewise, when the 'Italian' Sue claims "Dice [...] che sei preoccupato per la tua vita" ("He says [...] you are worried about your life") she changes the connotations of the English utterance "He says [...] you are scared of your past" as she suggests that Walt is not so much obsessed by his past but rather feels in danger in that particular stage of his life.

In *Gran Torino*, another significant instance of translation by interpreting occurs when Vu, Sue and Thao make amends for Thao's trying to steal Walt's Gran Torino and Sue translates what her mother Vu says to Walt (117).

(117)

Walt	What's going on?	Che succede?	What's wrong?
Vu to	Hmong	Hmong	
Sue			
Sue to	Thao is here to	Thao è venuto a	Thao has come to
Walt	make amends, he's	fare ammenda, a	make amends, to
	here to work for	lavorare per te.	work for you.
	you.	-	·
Vu	Hmong	Hmong	
Walt	No he's not. How	Vuoi scherzare?	Are you joking? I
	can he work for	Non ci penso	don't even think
	me?	nemmeno.	about it.
Vu to	Hmong	Hmong	
Sue	_		
Sue to	My mum says that	Mamma dice che	Mum says he
Walt	he dishonoured the	lui ha disonorato la	dishonoured his
	family and now he	sua famiglia e ora	family and now he
	has to work off his	deve pagare il suo	has to work off his
	debt. He'll start	debito. Comincerà	debt. He'll start
	tomorrow morning.	domattina.	tomorrow morning.

In this film interpreting from Hmong into English/Italian is also sometimes enacted by younger members of the third generation of Hmong immigrants, as can be seen when an old Hmong man and his little granddaughter visit Walt to ask his permission to allow Thao to work for them (118).

(118)

(110)	I	T =	I
Grandfather	Hello.	Salve. <i>Hmong</i>	Hello.
	Hmong		
Granddaughter	Grandpa	Il nonno dice che	Grandpa says he
	says he	vuole sapere se	wants to know if
	want to	puoi dire a Thao di	you can ask Thao
	know if you	levare il grande	to clear out the big
	can have	nido di vespe che	wasp nest that is
	Thao clear	sta sotto il nostro	under our porch.
	out the big	portico.	
	wasp nest		
	under our		
	porch?		
Walt	Wasp nest?	Di vespe hai detto?	Wasp nest, you
	That's	Ma è terribile. Sì,	said? But it's
	terrible. I	beh, dì al nonno	terrible. Yes, well,
	think we	che si può fare	tell grandpa that it
	can tell him	dopo pranzo.	can be done after
	sometime		lunch.
	after lunch.		
Granddaughter	Hmong	Hmong	
Grandfather	Hmong	Hmong	

In (118), apart from the initial greeting the old man addresses to Walt in English saying "Hello", probably one of the very few words he knows in what he considers as the they-code, he then intersententially switches to Hmong to make his request and her granddaughter translates what he says allowing understanding and communication.

Also in *Crash* interpreting is performed by young immigrants in instances of turn-specific code-switching (covering 25% of the total occurrences), as Dorri often acts as an interpreter between her first-generation immigrant father Fahrad and some American characters, as can

be seen when she linguistically mediates between Fahrad and an insurance officer (119).

(119)

Insurance officer to	Has your father read his policy?	Ha letto la polizza suo padre?	Did your father read the policy?
Dorri Dorri	He doesn't read	Non ci capirebbe	He wouldn't
	English.	niente.	understand anything.
Farhad	Farsi	Farsi	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Dorri	Farsi	Farsi	
Insurance	Mr Golzari, you	Signor Guezari, lei	Mr Guezari, did
officer	said you called	ha chiamato il	you call the
	the locksmith?	fabbro?	locksmith?
Dorri	Farsi	Farsi	
Farhad	Yes. I tell him,	Sì. Ho detto di	Yes. I told to fix.
	fix it.	riparare.	
Insurance	They said that	Loro dicono che	They say that the
officer to	uh, their man	l'operaio le ha	worker told
Dorri	told you	detto	you
Dorri to	Farsi	Farsi	
Farhad			
Insurance	to fix the	di riparare la porta,	to fix the
officer	door, and you	e lei non l'ha fatto.	door, and you
	didn't do so.		didn't do it.
Dorri	Are you saying	Sta dicendo che è	Are you saying
	it's his fault?	sua la colpa?	that it's his
			fault?
Farhad	Farsi	Farsi	
Insurance	Insurance	L'assicurazione la	The insurance
officer	company is	considera	company
	calling it	negligenza. E quindi	considers it
	negligence.	non la copre.	negligence. And
	They're not		therefore they
	covering any of		don't cover it.
	this.		

As already mentioned, in the corpus of films under investigation, the transfer modality of interpreting is adopted not only in films portraying immigrant communities to provide mutual understanding between a we-code-only speaker and a they-code-only speaker, but also in films featuring multiethnic groups of speakers with different mother tongues who need a linguistic mediator to communicate, as we can see in *My Life in Ruins*, *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*.

In *My Life in Ruins* interpreting is performed by Georgia using turn-specific code-switching (covering 16% of the total occurrences) when she translates into English/Italian what Procopi says in Greek to answer some of the questions the tourists ask him (120).

(120)

Georgia	He's the driver.	È il nostro autista.	He is our driver.
Dorcas	What's his	E come si chiama?	And what's his
Wilmore	name?		name?
Georgia	Right. Everyone,	Giusto. Per favore,	Right. Please,
	please say hello	salutate tutti	everyone say
	to Procopi.	Procopio.	hello to Procopi.
Tourists	Hey, Procopi.	Ciao, Procopio.	Hello, Procopi.
Procopi	Greek	Greek	
Georgia	Oh, I'm sorry, he	Oh, scusate, ha un	Oh, I'm sorry,
	has a nickname	soprannome che gli	he has a
	he'd rather be	piace di più.	nickname he
	known by.		prefers.
Procopi	Poupi.	Poupi.	
Barry	Did he just say,	Ha detto "Pupù"?	Did he say
	"Poop"?		"Pupù"?
Al	Fair suck of the	Scusa, conducente,	I'm sorry, driver,
Sawchuck	sav, mate, I can't	ma non posso	but I can't call
	call you Poupi.	chiamarti Pupù.	you Pupù.
	What's your last	Come fai di	What's your last
	name?	cognome?	name?
Georgia to	Greek	Greek	
Procopi			
Procopi	Greek	Greek	
Georgia to	It's "Kakas".	È "Kakas".	It's "Kakas".
tourists			

In *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* interpreting is mostly performed by two Indian characters, Ajit and Sunaina, by means of turn-specific codeswitching (covering 55% of the total occurrences); Ajit acts as an interpreter between English-only speaking Muriel and Hindi-only speaking Anokhi, thus allowing the two women to overcome the sociocultural and ideological distance initially keeping them apart (121, 122).

(121)

Anokhi	Hindi	Hindi	
Ajit	She wants to thank	Vuole ringraziarla	She wants to
	you for your	per la sua	thank you for
	kindness.	gentilezza.	your kindness.
Muriel	I haven't been	Ma quando sono	But when was I
	kind.	stata gentile?	kind?
Anokhi	Hindi	Hindi	
Ajit	You're the only	Lei è l'unica che le	She is the only
	one that	ha rivolto la parola.	one that talked
	acknowledges her.		to her.
Anokhi	Dal tadka.	Dhal tadka.	Dhal tadka.
((offering	Chapati. Hindi.	Chapati. Hindi	Chapati.
Muriel a			
plate of			
food))			
Muriel	I'm not eating that.	Quella roba non la	I'm not eating
		mangio.	that.

(122)

Muriel	Anokhi, Anokhi, I	Anokhi, Anokhi,	Anokhi, Anokhi, I
	wanted to tell you	volevo tanto dirti	wanted to tell you
	something ((to	una cosa ((to	something ((to
	Ajit)) Tell her.	Ajit)) Può dirle	Ajit)) Can you tell
	Tell her I was glad	che sono stata	her that I was glad
	to come, glad she	felice di essere	I went to her
	invited me.	andata a casa sua?	house? That I was
		Che mi ha fatto	glad she invited
		piacere che mi	me?
		abbia invitata?	
Ajit	Hindi	Hindi	_
Muriel	Glad to meet her	E che è stato bello	And that it was

	family. Her	conoscere la sua	great to meet her
	grandmother. Her	famiglia. Sua	family. Her
	kids.	nonna. I suoi	grandmother. Her
		nipotini.	little nephews and
			nieces.
Ajit	Hindi	Hindi	
Anokhi	Hindi	Hindi	
Ajit	She asks if you	Vuole sapere se	She wants to
	have children?	anche lei ha dei	know if you have
		figli.	children too.
Muriel	I looked after	No, io ho badato a	No, I looked after
	somebody else's.	quelli degli altri.	somebody's else.
Ajit	Hindi	Hindi	
Muriel	This one family,	Cioè ai figli dei	That is to say, to
	years I was with	miei padroni. Sono	my employers'
	them.	stata con loro per	children. I spent
		tanti anni.	with them many
			years.
Ajit	Hindi	Hindi	
Muriel	I ran the house,	Io mi occupavo	I ran the house, I
	looked after the	della casa, gestivo	looked after the
	money, did it all,	i soldi, insomma	money, in short, I
	cared for them	facevo tutto. Gli	did everything. I
	like they were my	volevo bene, come	loved them, as if
	own.	se fossero figli	they were my
		miei.	children.

In *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, interpreting proves to be crucial for plot development especially in the scene featuring Sonny introducing his girlfriend Sunaina to his mother. When Mrs Kapoor meets the girl, she declares that she is against their marriage but then she changes her mind when Young Wasim, an Indian character who speaks no English, utters a long and heartfelt speech in Hindi, which is translated initially by Sunaina and then by Mrs Kapoor herself as she realizes that Young Wasim is talking about her: indeed, he explains that he once knew another man who wanted to marry a woman against his family's aspirations and who simply imposed her on his parents because he loved her (123).

(123)

Wasim	Hindi	Hindi	
Madge	What is he	Che sta dicendo?	What is he
	saying?		saying?
Sunaina	He is saying that	Dice che lavorava	He says that he
	he has been with	con questa famiglia	has been working
	this family as	fin da quando era	with this family
	long as he can	piccolo.	since he was a
	remember.		child.
Wasim	Hindi	Hindi	
Sunaina	And that he	E che si ricorda di	And that he
	remembers	un altro litigio tra	remembers
	another fight,	due giovani e i loro	another fight
	between two	genitori.	between two
	young people and		young people
	their parents.		and their parents.
Wasim	Hindi	Hindi	
Sunaina	And he	E ricorda bene il	And he
	remembers the	momento in cui il	remembers well
	moment where	giovane prese	the moment
	the young man	coraggio, guardò la	when the young
	stood up to his	madre e disse	man plucked up
	mother		courage, looked
			at his mother and
			said
Mrs	and said yes, I	e disse sì, io	and said yes, I
Kapoor	want to marry this	voglio sposare	want to marry
	woman. Yes, she	questa donna. Sì,	this woman. Yes,
	is from a different	appartiene a una	she belongs to a
	community. But	casta diversa, ma è	different caste,
	she is smart, she	intelligente, è bella,	but she is smart,
	is beautiful, and I	e io la amo.	she is beautiful,
	love her.		and I love her.

In (123), it is thanks to Sunaina's and Mrs Kapoor's interpreting that key facts are disclosed both to the characters on the screen and to the audience, allowing the storyline to develop in unexpected ways, and the maintenance

of spoken Hindi as uttered by Young Wasim further plunges the viewers into the Indian atmosphere.

In *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* interpreting is enacted by Sunaina, linguistically mediating between Anokhi and Muriel (124), as well as by Babul, Madge's driver, acting as an interpreter between his niece, Hindi-only speaker, and Madge (125).

(124)

Anokhi to	Hindi	Hindi	
Muriel			
Sunaina	She asks how	Chiede com'era	She asks how was
	was America.	l'America.	America.
Muriel	A tea that makes	Un tè che rende la	A tea that makes
	death more	morte più	death more
	tempting.	desiderabile.	desiderable.
Sunaina to	Hindi	Hindi	
Anokhi			

(125)

Aida to her uncle	Hindi	Hindi	
Babul to	She still wants to	Vuole ancora	She still wants to
Madge	read your book.	leggere il suo libro.	read your book.
Madge	Your uncle told	Tuo zio mi ha detto	Your uncle told
Harcastle	me how very	che sei stata molto	me you were
	brave you're	coraggiosa, perciò ti	very brave,
	being and I	meriti un premio.	therefore you
	thought you		deserve a
	deserved a		reward.
	reward.		
Babul to	Hindi	Hindi	
her niece			
Aida			

Though in both (124) and (125) the contents of the Hindi utterances are not so crucial for plot development as was the case in (123), interpreting is nonetheless important as it is consistent with the film's overall aim in building linguistic and ideological bridges between two worlds only apparently far apart.

2.2.5. Misinterpreting the L3

interpreting akin to but entailing strategy communicative and narrative aims and used to convey multilingual discourse practices in both versions of some of the films under study is misinterpreting (Bleichenbacher 2008: 185), be it intentional or unintentional, according to which viewers are made aware that the translation does not correspond to what has been actually said on the screen (Carra 2009) though still experiencing the sense of foreignness language alternation provides. What is important to notice is that with misinterpreting a process of manipulation in translation is directly enacted by the characters as a voluntary act of conveying a different meaning, due to reasons mainly related to either lack of comprehension, as we can see in Spanglish (126), or rules of politeness, as we can see in Gran Torino (127) and My Life in Ruins (128).

In *Spanglish*, misinterpreting is enacted by Monica during Flor's job interview with Deborah (126).

(126)

(120)	I		1
Deborah	Anyway, I have	Comun- ho due	Any-, I have two
	two children. My	figli, mio figlio	children, my son
	son Georgie is	Georgie ha nove	Georgie is nine,
	nine, Bernie you	anni, Bernie la	you know Bernie.
	know, and I like	conoscete. E mi	And I like the
	the house, I like	piace che la casa	house to resemble
	the house to be	somigli a me, no?	me, you know.
	like me, you	Io sono molto	I'm very loose,
	know, and I am,	sciolta, meticolosa	meticulous at the
	I'm very loose and	al tempo stesso.	same time. But
	meticulous, you	Ma qui è tutto un	it's all about first
	know, at the same	darsi del tu e regna	names here and
	time, but it's all	l'intimità. Diglielo.	intimacy rules.
	about first names	Assolutamente.	Tell her.
	and closeness	Però ci tengo alla	Absolutely. But I
	here. Let her	casa. Scusami, non	do care about the
	know, absolutely.	ti lascio neanche il	place. I'm sorry,
	But I do care about	tempo di tradurre.	I'm not leaving
	the place. I'm so		you the time to
	sorry, I'm not		translate.

	leaving you time to translate.		
Monica	Està vieja está	Està vieja está	
	rarísima. Que	rarísima. Que tiene	
	tiene dos niños	dos niños	

In (126) Monica has some difficulties in understanding what Deborah says and she summarises the woman's fast speech into two concise sentences: "Està vieja está rarísima. Que tiene dos niños..." meaning "This woman is really weird. That she has two children...". Though no translation of Monica's short sentences is provided it is clear that their contents do not correspond to the contents of Deborah's long monologue.

In *Gran Torino* misinterpreting proves to be mostly intentional, as we can see when Walt is at Sue's house and Phong, the family grandmother, insults him in Hmong: Walt asks Sue what her grandmother is saying and Sue translates the old woman's words into English/Italian assigning them an opposite meaning in trying not to offend the man (127).

(127)

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Hmong	Hmong	Hmong	
people			
Phong	Hmong	Hmong	
Walt	What'd she say?	Che sta dicendo?	What is she
			saying?
Sue	She said welcome	Ti dà il benvenuto	She welcomes you
	to our home.	nella sua casa.	in her house.
Walt	No she didn't.	Oh no, non ci credo.	Oh no, I don't
			believe it.
Sue	No, she didn't.	No, hai ragione.	No, you're right.

The most significant instance of intentional misinterpreting is to be recognized in *My Life in Ruins*, where misinterpreting is adopted when Georgia tries to solve a misunderstanding between a couple of tourists and a Greek souvenir shop owner, who is charging them extra money for a little souvenir (see 2.2.2., excerpt 90, for a different translation strategy used to convey another part of the same exchange). Georgia translates into English/Italian what the man says in Greek but she changes his offensive words assigning them positive connotations in order to avoid any problem

her tourists might otherwise have if left alone with the Greek man, as they wouldn't be able either to make themselves understood by him or to speak Greek themselves (128).

(128)

Georgia	No no no. He wants me to translate.	No no no. Mi ha chiesto di tradurre.	No no no. He asked me to translate.
Souvenir shop owner	Greek [You fat tourists]	Greek [Turisti grassoni]	Fat tourists
Georgia	My tourist friends	Miei cari turisti	My dear tourists
Souvenir	Greek [I could	Greek [Se non	If you weren't
shop	give you idiots	fosse che siete	such idiots I could
owner	authentic Greek	idioti potrei	sell you authentic
	items made by	vendervi del vero	Greek handicrafts
	grandmother]	artigianato Greco	made by my
		fatto da mia nonna]	grandmother
Georgia	He could give you	Dice che potrebbe	He says he could
	handmade	vendervi degli	sell you
	authentic items	oggetti	handmade
	made by his	d'artigianato fatti a	handicrafts made
	grandmother	mano da sua nonna	by his grandmother
Souvenir	Greek [But you	Greek [Ma voi	But you stupid
shop	dummies want this	turisti imbecilli	tourists want this
owner	cheap crap]	volete questa merda scadente]	cheap crap
Georgia	You have good	Voi siete degli	You are experts
	taste	intenditori	
Souvenir	Greek [This junk	Greek [Questa	This junk is made
shop	is made in Korea]	robaccia è fatta in	in Korea
owner		Corea]	
Georgia	Things are made	Tutti prodotti a	Everything made
	in Corinth	Corinto	in Corinth
Souvenir	Greek [By	Greek [Da	By prisoners
shop	prisoners.]	carcerati.]	
owner			
Georgia	By friends	Da amici suoi	By friends of his

Souvenir	Greek [For you,	Greek [Per voi il	For you the price
shop	I'll double the	prezzo raddoppia.]	doubles
owner	price.]		
Georgia	I can make you a	A voi posso fare un	I can make you a
	good price	buon prezzo	good price
Tourist	Yeah, that's what	Ecco, bravo, adesso	Yeah, good, now
	we want right	sì che ci capiamo,	we understand
	there, fellow.	amico.	each other, fellow.
Souvenir	Greek [And to	Greek [E alla guida	And to the guide a
shop	your guide a	spetta una	kickback.
owner	kickback.]	percentuale.]	
Big Al	What?	Che ha detto?	What did he say?
Georgia	Enjoy your stay.	Godetevi la	Enjoy your
		vacanza adesso.	holiday now.

In (128) both the English and the Italian audience are perfectly aware that the strategy of misinterpreting is being adopted as the meaning of the sentences uttered by the souvenir shop owner in Greek is rendered by means of English/Italian open subtitles, which further stress Georgia's intention to create a positive, relaxed interactional context.

Drawing some provisional conclusions from the empirical comparative analysis carried out so far with regard to the presence of L3s in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching in the films' original version and to how they are dealt with in the films' Italian dubbed version, we can observe that these two types of language alternation practices are rendered in Italian according to different translation strategies. If, on the one hand, dubbing and domestication repress the cultural other obscuring the films' original ethnolinguistic makeup, on the other hand such transfer procedures as open subtitles, non-translation, voice-over, interpreting and misinterpreting recreate turn-specific and intersentential code-switching's ethnocultural essence, thus reproducing the immigrant and multiethnic communities' transcultural common ground represented on the screen.

As we will see in Chapter 3, the survival of code-switching's ethnocultural essence is instead guaranteed when L3 terms are used in instances of intrasentential code-switching to refer to culture-specific elements, as culture-bound references to the foreign characters'

sociocultural, historical, religious background heritage are mostly preserved unaltered in the Italian dubbed version.

CHAPTER 3

EVOKING SOCIOCULTURAL MEMORIES THROUGH INTRASENTENTIAL CODE-SWITCHING: RETENTION VS LOSS

3.1. Ethnicity, culture and language in audiovisual translation

The sixteen European and American cross-cultural films making up our corpus consistently foreground the symbolic relevance of culturespecific elements that act as key markers of ethnic identities in the multiethnic and immigrant environments they portray. Indeed, in the films' original dialogues, the strict correlation between ethnic culture and identity is linguistically enacted by the characters' recurrent use of intrasentential code-switching (Myers-Scotton 1993) from they-code (i.e. L1, if considered from a translational perspective) to we-code (i.e. L3) when referring to their background sociocultural, historical, religious, moral as well as culinary traditions that function both as crucial entries to their cultural and linguistic memory and as powerful metaphors for emotional expressivity. This highlights a crucial connection between culture and language, an issue that has been extensively dealt with in both Sociolinguistics and Translation Studies. Whereas some scholars claim that "languages are inseparable from their cultures" (Cymbalista 2003: 22) and that "culture includes and affects language" (Cui 2012: 827), thus implying both linguistic and cultural untranslatability when cultural and linguistic disparities between distinct societies are at stake, others argue that a language is not as much a part of a culture but rather a vehicle of cultural specificity (Hatim, Mason 1990), thus considering language and culture as autonomous, though interrelated, and suggesting that what is expressed in a source language, though culturally-embedded, can still be transposed into a target language (cf. Sadkowska 2016).

Such intertwining between culture and language is always brought to the fore in multicultural, multilingual audiovisual products, traditionally intended as crucial bearers of sociocultural meanings that, thanks to their worldwide distribution, can be spread cross-culturally among foreign audiences. From this perspective, in considering audiovisual translation as a "cultural-mediation instrument" (Oltra Ripoll 2005: 75) endowed with an "enormous power in constructing representations of foreign cultures" (Venuti 1998: 67), the rendering of cultural references is of vital importance for a proper reception of the original film in a target culture. This though proves to be one of the most challenging areas in the field of screen translation as cultural elements are deeply stuck into a sociocultural and linguistic dimension often unfamiliar to the target viewers, all the more so when the films at stake are polyglot films strictly related to specific cultural, often 'exotic', backgrounds and pervaded by multilingual dialogues that massively introduce to the vocabulary of the audience new cultural notions conveyed by culture-specific lexical items.

The pervasive cinematic presence of culture-specific terms, also referred to as cultural words (Newmark 1988), culture-bound references (Pedersen 2005) or extralinguistic culture-bound references (Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007), has led audiovisual translation scholars to investigate what their specificity consists of in order to identify the transfer procedures that can best render them in another language/culture. Culture-specific terms have been variously described as elements that distinguish themselves for their heterogeneity (Finkel 1962) in a specific lexical context, as words denoting elements typical of a peculiar geographical, historical and social environment that carry a national or local colouring (Vlahov, Florin 1969). From a translational point of view, they may be variously intended as "words denoting concepts and things that another language has not considered worth mentioning, or that are absent from the life or consciousness of the other nation" (Leemets 1992: 475), as references to "a cultural entity which, due to its distance from the target culture, is characterized by a sufficient degree of opacity for the target reader to constitute a problem" (Mailhac 1996: 133-134), as "those textually actualized items whose function and connotations in a source text involve a translation problem in their transference to a target text, whenever this problem is a product of the non-existence of the referred item or of its different intertextual status in the cultural system of the readers of the target text" (Franco Aixelá 1996: 58), as "extralinguistic references to items that are tied up with a country's culture, history, or geography, and tend therefore to pose serious translation challenges" (Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007: 200). The core aspect all these definitions highlight is that culturebound terms pose a series of problems and challenges in the translation process and are often considered, in terms of "translation crisis points"

(Pedersen 2005: 2) or "translational hurdles" (Chiaro 2009: 155), as untranslatable lexical items.

In trying to cope with the problems inherent in the screen translation of ethnocultural specifics and in order to indicate different translation procedures liable to be adopted for their intercultural and interlinguistic transfer, many scholars have proposed different taxonomies for their categorization (see Newmark 1988; Pedersen 2005; Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007; Chiaro 2009; Díaz Cintas 2012; Ranzato 2016). Among the cultural categories most commonly considered as reference points are those proposed by Newmark (1988) based on various lexical fields associated to a culture-specific lexicon: ecology (i.e. flora, fauna, places); material culture (i.e. food and drink, artifacts, items of clothing, houses, means of transport); social culture (i.e. work and leisure); organizations, customs and activities (i.e. political and administrative references, monetary systems, units of measurement, institutions, religious and historical facts, holidays and festivities); gestures and habits (Newmark 1988).

The analytical and theoretical framework we use for our study is mainly based on the taxonomy proposed by Díaz Cintas and Remael, categorizing culture-bound references into geographical references (i.e. objects from physical geography, geographical objects, animal and plant species), ethnographic references (i.e. objects from daily life, measures, references to work, art and culture, descent) and sociopolitical references (i.e. references to administrative or territorial units, institutions and functions, religion, sociocultural life, military institutions and objects) (Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007). In particular, we focus our attention on realistic references (cf. Ranzato 2016) relevant to: material, social and ethnolinguistic culture (see 3.2.1.); forms of address, greetings and formulaic expressions used in daily interactions (see 3.2.2.); religious and spiritual traditions (see 3.2.3.); geographical landmarks (see 3.2.4.); food and local products (3.2.5.). In our corpus of films, these references can be specifically intended as third culture references (Ranzato 2010, 2016), i.e. elements that do originally belong neither to the source culture (i.e. European and/or American) nor to the target culture (i.e. Italian) but to a third culture portrayed on the screen and linguistically conveyed by L3s used in instances of intrasentential code-switching.

3.2. The retention of third culture references: transferring intrasentential code-switching

An aspect that immediately stands out from the empirical comparative analysis of the films' scripts is that most occurrences of L3 cultural words in instances of intrasentential code-switching are left unaltered in the Italian dubbed version, following the translation, or nontranslation, strategy that has been variously defined as borrowing (cf. Vinay, Darbelnet 1958-2002; Ivir 1987), transference (cf. Newmark 1988), retention (cf. Pedersen 2005; Gottlieb 2009), direct transfer (cf. Leppihalme 2011), loan (cf. Santamaria Guinot 2001; Chaume 2004; Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007), a stylistic method used to foreignize a text by introducing foreign terms with spelling-only adjustments being allowed. Such procedure results to be the most effective to retain the L3 terms' cultural colouring in representing the films' ethnocultural otherness, be it conveyed either by references relevant to sociocultural notions unknown to the target audience or by transcultural references (Pedersen 2005) relevant to cultural elements that were once familiar only to a specific culture but are now universally known (e.g. food, festivities, place names, historical events, religious traditions) as a consequence of the already discussed everexpanding processes of globalization and mass migration leading to everincreasing multicultural societies.

3.2.1. Material, social and ethnolinguistic culture

L3 cultural references to the material, social and ethnolinguistic culture distinctive of the foreign and immigrant characters portrayed in our corpus of films are always quoted with their original names in the Italian dubbed version, thus fully displaying the films' ethnocultural specificity. This category of cultural specifics includes references to modes of dress, to be observed especially in *Bend It Like Beckham* (4 items; 1, 2) and *East Is East* (2 items; 3).

(1)			
Pinky	No, mum. I want	No, mamma. Io il	No, mom. I want
	my <i>choli</i> more	choli lo voglio	<i>choli</i> more fitted.
	fitted. That's the	attillato. Va così,	It is like this, isn't
	style, innit?	vero?	it?

(2)

Mrs	[] You know,	[] Quest'estate	This summer there
Paxton	we've had some	c'erano dei completi	were beautiful
	lovely prints in this	bellissimi, e costumi	suits, and
	summer, you know,	da bagno, e sarong,	swimsuits, and
	in swimwear and	eccetera, ma lei non	sarong etcetera,
	sarong and that, but	vuole mai venire a	but she never
	she never wants to go	fare spese con me!	wants to go
	shopping with me!		shopping with me!

(3)

Mrs	Where did you get this	Dove preso questo	Where did you get
Shah	sari?	sari?	this sari?

In (1), (2), (3) the Hindi terms are left unaltered in the Italian dubbed version though only one of them, i.e. *sari*, refers to an item of clothing that is well-known in Italy; this transference procedure clearly plunges the viewers into the film's foreign dimension even though no hint at the characteristics of Asian traditional clothing is given.

The same procedure is applied to the names of objects and means of transport typical of the third cultures represented on the screen, as we can see in *The Mistress of Spices* when Haroun, a regular customer of Tilo's Indian Spice Bazaar in the San Francisco Bay area, mentions *shikara*, a boat he and his father used in Kashmir to accompany tourists (4),

(4)

Haroun	Back in Kashmir	Nel Kashmir facevo	In Kashmir I was a
	we are boatmen.	il barcaiolo. Mio	boatman. My
	My grandfather,	nonno, mio padre	grandfather, my
	my father and I,	ed io guidavamo la	father and I would
	we would row our	nostra <i>shikara</i> per i	row our <i>shikara</i>
	shikara for	turisti. Venivano	for tourists. They
	tourists, from	dall'America,	came from
	America, Europe.	dall'Europa.	America, from
			Europe.

in My Life in Ruins when Georgia says to her Greek landlord Genaki that she left the rent for him on the kreveti, the Greek term for "table" (5);

(5)

Genaki	Where is the rent?	E dov'è l'affitto?	And where's the
			rent?
Georgia	I left it on the	L'ho lasciato sul	I left it on the
	kreveti.	kreveti.	kreveti.

and in *Eat Pray Love* when Felipe, talking to Liz, refers to his passport using the object's Portuguese name, *passaporte* (6).

(6)

Felipe	I have 46 stamps	Io ho 46 timbri sul	I have 46 stamps
	on my <i>passaporte</i> .	mio <i>passaporte</i> .	on my <i>passaporte</i> .
Liz	I happen to have 49	E io invece ne ho	And I have instead
	stamps on my	49 di timbri sul mio	49 stamps on my
	passaporte.	passaporte.	passaporte.

Similarly, in *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* the *tuk-tuk*, the typical Indian means of transport, is frequently mentioned (9 occurrences) to underline the exotic environment the British retirees find themselves in during their stay in India (7, 8).

(7)

Evelyn	What exactly is a	Qualcuno sa che	Does anyone know
	tuk-tuk?	cos'è il tuk-tuk?	what a tuk-tuk is?

(8)

(0)			
Graham	The bus will drop	L'autobus ci porterà	The bus will take
	us in the centre of	fino al centro della	us to the centre of
	town. We can take	città. Poi da lì	town. Then from
	<i>tuk-tuks</i> the rest of	prenderemo i <i>tuk-tuk</i>	there we will take
	the way!	fino all'hotel.	the <i>tuk-tuk</i> all the
	-		way to the hotel.

In (8) it is interesting to observe that the original version adapts the Thai term to the English syntactic rules of plural formation, appending the final —s of the plural, whereas the Italian dubbed version maintains the lexeme in its original morphological form, as Italian pluralization rules are not applied to non-Italian words borrowed from other languages.

Elements relevant to traditions, cultural beliefs, moral principles, social and historical facts peculiar to specific countries are equally brought to the fore in all the films included in our corpus (17 items), as we can see in *The Mistress of Spices* when Tilo explains one of her clients that the Indian ceremonial art form called *mehndi*⁴ is typically done on bribes during weddings (9).

(9)

Myisha	Do you know how	Sapresti come fare	Do you know how
	to do this? My	uno di questi? Mia	to do one of
	girlfriend says it's	sorella dice che è	these? My sister
	an Indian thing.	una cosa indiana.	says it's an Indian
			thing.
Tilo	Mehndi. When are	Mehndi. Quando ti	Mehndi. When are
	you getting married?	devi sposare?	you getting
			married?
Myisha	What's that got to	Perchè me lo	Why do you ask
	do with anything?	chiedi?	me?
Tilo	Mehndi is normally	Il <i>mehndi</i> di solito	<i>Mehndi</i> is usually
	done on brides.	viene fatto alla	done on the bride.
		sposa.	

In *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* and *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* Hindi references to Indian civilization and historic architectural treasures are recurrently made to attract both the British characters and the audiences. In particular, at the beginning of *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, Evelyn, Jean and Madge are fascinated by the Marigold Hotel description which celebrates Indian history making a reference to the period of the *Raj*, i.e. the British government in India before 1947 (10).

(10)

Jean	Indeed the entire building exudes	Nel nostro palazzo vi sembrerà di	In our palace you'll have the
	historical ambience	tornare indietro nel	sensation to go
	and transports one	tempo e rivivere	back in time and

⁴ *Mehndi* is a form of body art from Ancient India, in which decorative designs are temporarily drawn on a person's body, using a paste created from the powdered dry leaves of the henna plant.

back in time to the	l'atmosfera storica	relive the historical
proud tradition of	dell'antica	atmosphere of the
the <i>Raj</i> .	tradizione del <i>Raj</i> .	ancient Raj
		tradition.

Likewise, when Madge visits the Viceroy Club and asks an elderly secretary if there are suitable bachelors among the club members, she quotes the term *mahārājas* to refer to the prototype of the charming, wealthy man she would like to meet, thus proving to be ready to enter the Indian environment also from a linguistic point of view (11).

(11)

(11)			
Madge	[] Perhaps you	[] Può dirmi	[] Could you tell
	could tell me a little	qualcosa di più sui	me something
	about the clientele.	soci? Ci sono dei	more about the
	Any mahārājas?	mahārāja vedovi?	members? Are
	Wealth widowed	O dei ricchi	there widowed
	land-owners?	latifondisti	mahārāja? Or
		scapoli?	wealthy single
			landowners?

The beauty of Indian art is particularly celebrated in *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* when Douglas uses praising terms to describe the *Rajasthani* carvings of some monuments typical of the Western Indian state of Rajasthan (12).

(12)

(12)			
Douglas	[] Now please	[] Adesso ammirate	[] Now admire
	admire these	queste colonne	these beautifully
	beautifully carved	meravigliosamente	carved pillars
	pillars that are	scolpite che sono	that are engraved
	engraved with	incise con tipici	with typical
	typical Rajasthani	intagli Rajasthani	Rajasthani
	carvings		carvings

Also references to culturally embedded lifestyles and ethical principles are preserved unaltered (10 items), with their meaning explained either by the character who mentions them or by other characters in the course of the conversation. In *My Life in Ruins* the term *kefi*, the Greek

word for "mojio", is often used (7 occurrences) both as a generic reference to Greek culture and way of living (13) and as a feeling Georgia lacks at the beginning of the film (14, 15) and that she finds again when she falls in love with Procopi (16).

(13)

Georgia	[] People	[] Qui le persone	[] Here people
	reconnect with	si riconnettono con	reconnect with
	their souls. They	il proprio spirito.	their souls. They
	find their mojo. In	Ritrovano la gioia	find their mojo
	Greece, it's called	di vivere. In Grecia	again. In Greece
	kefi, which means	questo si chiama	this is called <i>kefi</i> ,
	"passion, joy,	<i>kefi</i> , che significa	which means
	spirit".	"passione, gioia,	"passion, joy,
		spirito".	spirit".

(14)

Maria	Woman. Where is	Donna. Dov'è il	Woman. Where is
	your <i>kefi</i> ?	tuo <i>kefi</i> ?	your <i>kefi</i> ?
Georgia	I have kefi. I have	Ce l'ho il <i>kefi</i> . Ho	I have kefi. I have
	lots of kefi.	un sacco di kefi.	a lot of <i>kefi</i> .

(15)

Maria	That girl. That girl has no <i>kefi</i> !	Quella ragazza non	That girl. That girl has no <i>kefi</i> !
		ha <i>kefi</i> !	

(16)

Maria	You found your	Hai trovato il tuo	You found your
	kefi.	kefi.	kefi.
Georgia	Yes.	Sì.	Yes.

As far as moral values are concerned, both versions of *Ae Fond Kiss* include Punjabi words referring to such Pakistani and Indian principles as *izzat* (17) and *zakah* (18).

(17)

Rukhsana	[] See, we have	[] Noi abbiamo	[] We have a code
	this concept called,	un codice, che	that we call <i>izzat</i> .
	ehm, izzat, which I	chiamiamo izzat.	More or less it

guess is fan	nily Più o me	eno co	rresponds to
honour, and	d that's corrispor	nde far	nily honour, and
really impo	rtant all'onore	familiare, thi	s is very
to-to people	e. [] e questo	è molto im	portant to our
	importan	ite per la pe	ople. []
	nostra ge	ente. []	

(18)

Casim	Exactly. There's	Esattamente e ci	Exactly and there
	still so much I'm	sono molte altre	are many other
	proud of. D'you	cose di cui vado	things I'm proud
	know what zakah	fiero. Sai cosa	of. Do you know
	means?	significa zakah?	what zakah means?
Roisin	((shakes her head))	((shakes her head))	
Casim	It's when you give	È quando dai una	It's when you give
	a percentage of	percentuale dei tuoi	a percentage of
	your income to the	averi ai poveri. Mio	your income to the
	poor. My dad, still	padre, ancora oggi,	poor. My father,
	to this day, gives	devolve ai senza	still to this day,
	exactly to the penny	tetto una parte dei	gives a part of his
	to asylum seekers.	suoi guadagni.	income to asylum
			seekers.

In (17), Rukhsana is asking Roisin to split up with Casim as their relationship dishonours both him and his family, and she explains to the Catholic girl the meaning of *izzat*, the Punjabi expression for family honour that has a crucial importance for Rukhsana and her family. Rukhsana's use of intrasentential code-switching to refer to her background heritage's ethical principles shows that just as language preference serves as a device with which Rukhsana may categorize herself. it also serves as a device with which she categorizes others, both ascribing group membership and excluding Roisin from the world she and her brother Casim belong to. In (18) it is Casim that, using English/Italian as metalanguages, explains to Roisin the meaning of another term, i.e. zakah, imbued with Pakistani ethics as referring to a moral code at the core of his family life; in this case, differently from what we observed in (17), his quoting the Punjabi lexical item can be seen as an attempt to integrate Roisin into his world from both an ideological and a linguistic point of view.

Ideological integration as realized by means of linguistic devices (as observed in excerpt 18) is further to be observed in many films portraying intercultural relationships between characters belonging to different ethnic groups and, in particular, between a member of an immigrant community and a member of the host society. In these cases, the bilingual immigrant speakers, in considering their mother tongue as a vital part of their culture and as deeply entrenched in their cultural cognition, often integrate single linguistic units from their we-code within speech acts in the they-code, using we-code expressions to refer to their ethnolinguistic perception of the world. This can be noticed, for instance, in *Real Women Have Curves* as far as the relationship between Ana and Jimmy is concerned: when they kiss for the first time, Ana explains that the Spanish equivalent of "kiss" is *beso*, so as to make Jimmy feel closer to her Mexican roots (19).

(19)

Ana	No, that's a beso. A	No, questo è un	No, this is a <i>beso</i> .
	,	, <u>.</u>	A kiss.

Likewise, when Ana and Jimmy are on the point of making love for the first time and Ana cannot take her shirt off as her arm gets caught in its sleeve, Jimmy asks what the Spanish equivalent of "damn" is, Ana replies quoting the Spanish term *pinche* and Jimmy, in turn, uses the Spanish term as an attributive adjective of the English noun "shirt" when saying "*Pinche* shirt!", thus creating a perfect combination of Spanish and English lexical items to let Ana know that he really wants to enter her world also from the linguistic point of view (20).

(20)

Ana	Oh damn shirt.	Oh maledetta maglietta.	Oh damn shirt.
Jimmy	How do you say "damn" in Spanish?	Come si dice "maledetto" in spagnolo?	How do you say "damn" in Spanish?
Ana	Pinche.	Pinche.	Pinche.
Jimmy	Pinche shirt!	Pinche maglietta!	Pinche shirt!

Similarly, in *Spanglish*, the use of Spanish in instances of intrasentential code-switching often pertains to L3 references whose main

aim is to bring two different worlds closer together by means of strictly linguistic devices that do not imply further allusions to specific ethnocultural aspects, as can be seen when John and Flor interact and John repeats a Spanish word uttered by the woman (21).

(21)

Flor	Engreído.	Engreído.	
John	Oh, boy, engreído	Oh mamma,	Oh my God, I
	is gonna be rough.	engreído mi sa che	think <i>engreído</i> is
	((turns to	è tosto. ((turns to	rough.
	Cristina))	Cristina))	
Cristina	Smug!	Prepotente!	Smug!

In (21) Flor angrily addresses John using the term *engreido*, the Spanish equivalent of "smug", a word that John repeats inferring its sense both from the conversational context and from Flor's anger; the maintenance of this instance of discourse-related intrasentential code-switching in both versions perfectly succeeds in conveying not only the connotative force distinctive of Flor's utterance but also, and primarily, John's attempt to gradually move towards Flor's linguistic, and therefore sociocultural, dimension.

Two films included in our corpus that particularly emphasize the importance of the immigrant characters' linguistic heritage are *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* and *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* 2; indeed, Gus Portokalos recurrently claims that every English word has a Greek root. In *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* we see him explaining the etymology of the words "arachnophobia" and "kimono" (22, 23).

(22)

Gus	How about	Che ve ne pare di	How about
Portokalos	"arachnofobia"?	"aracnofobia"?	"arachnofobia"?
	Aráchne that comes	Aráchne che viene	Aráchne that comes
	from the Greek	da parola greca	from Greek word
	word for spider	vuol dire	means spider and
	and "fobia" is	"ragno" e	"fobia" is <i>phobia</i> , it
	phobia, it means	"fobia" è <i>phobia</i> ,	means "fear". So,
	"fear". So, "fear of	significa "paura".	"fear of spiders".
	spiders". There you	Perciò "paura dei	And there you go!
	go!	ragni". Ed ecco	

qua!	
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(23)

Gus	Of course,	Ma certo,	Of course,
Portokalos	"kimono" is come	"kimono"! Quello	"kimono"! That
	from the Greek	viene dalla parola	comes from the
	word himonas,	greca himonas e	Greek word
	which means	significa	himonas and
	"winter". So, what	"inverno". Perciò,	means "winter".
	do you wear in the	che cosa vi mettete	So, what do you
	wintertime to stay	quando è inverno	wear in wintertime
	warm? A robe. You	per stare calde? Un	to stay warm? A
	see, "robe",	paltò. Vedete?	robe. You see?
	"kimono". There	Paltò, kimono. Ed	Robe, kimono.
	you go!	ecco qua!	And there you go!

In *My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2* also Gus's nephew Costa is portrayed as obsessed with Greek words, as we can see when he states that *chimichanga*, the name of a deep-fried burrito popular in Tex-Mex and Southwestern US cuisine, comes from Greek (24).

(24)

Costa	Sure. Chimi comes	Certo. Chimi viene	Sure. Chimi comes
	from the Greek	dalla parola greca	from the Greek
	word kima which	kima, che vuol dire	word kima, which
	means "spicy beef".	"manzo piccante". E	means "spicy beef".
	And changa comes	changa viene dalla	And changa comes
	from the Greek	parola greca tsanta,	from the Greek
	word tsanta, which	che vuol dire	word tsanta, which
	means "purse." So	"borsa". Perciò	means "purse". So
	meat that is shaped	carne fatta a forma	meat that is shaped
	like a purse.	di borsa.	like a purse.
	Chimichanga.	Chimichanga. Ecco	Chimichanga. There
	There you go.	fatto.	you go.

In the same film, Gus refers to Toula's American husband Ian as to a *xeno*, i.e. "foreigner", using the Greek term (2 occurrences) to underline that, though he has accepted Ian as his son-in-law, he still considers him as an out-group member of his (now) extended family (25).

(25)

Gus	Toula, find your	Toula, trova a tua	Toula, find your
Portokalos	daughter a Greek	figlia un fidanzato	daughter a Greek
	boyfriend before	greco prima che	boyfriend before
	she does what you	faccia come te.	she does what you
	did.		did.
Toula	What the	Ma che	But what
Gus	You married a	Hai sposato uno	You married a
Portokalos	xeno.	xeno.	xeno.
Toula	My husband!	Mio marito!	My husband!
Gus	He's a nice boy,	È un bravo	He's a nice guy,
Portokalos	very nice, but not	ragazzo, molto	very nice, but he is
	Greek, a xeno.	bravo, ma non è	not Greek, he is
		greco, è xeno.	xeno.

An empirical diachronic analysis of the transfer modes adopted for the L3 in the Italian dubbed version of *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* (released in 2002) and *My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2* (released in 2016) highlights an interesting fact: the term *xeno* is used also in *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* (5 occurrences) but it is always translated with its standard Italian equivalent *straniero* ("foreigner") (26-28).

(26)

Gus	Now we have a	Ora abbiamo un	Now we have a
Portokalos	boyfriend, in the	fidanzato, in casa.	boyfriend, in the
	house. Is he a nice	È un bravo ragazzo	house. Is he a nice
	Greek boy? Oh no	greco? Oh no no	Greek boy? Oh no
	no no, no Greek!	no, non è greco!	no no, he's no
	No Greek! A xeno!	Non è greco! È uno	Greek! He's no
	A xeno with a big	straniero! Ma uno	Greek. He's a
	long hair on top of	straniero con tanti	foreigner. But a
	his head!	capelli lunghi sopra	foreigner with a lot
		la testa!	of long hair on top
			of his head!

(27)

Gus	[] My daughter	[] Mia figlia	[] My daughter
Portokalos	engaged to a xeno!	fidanzata con uno	engaged to a
	I always think	straniero! Ho	foreigner! I've

she's going to be	sempre pensato che	always thought she
married in the	si sposava nella	got married in the
Greek Orthodox	chiesa greco-	Greek-Orthodox
Church. Why is	ortodossa. Perché	Church. Why is she
she doing this to	fa questo a me?	doing this to me?
me?	_	_

(28)

Gus	[] That family is	[] Quella famiglia	[] That family is
Portokalos	like a piece of	è come il pane	like dry bread.
	toast. No honey,	secco. Senza miele,	Without honey,
	no jam, just dry.	senza marmellata,	without jam, dry.
	My daughter, my	asciutte. Mia figlia,	My daughter, my
	daughter gonna	mia figlia sposerà	daughter is going
	marry Ian Miller.	Ian Miller. Uno	to marry Ian
	A xeno. A xeno	straniero. Uno	Miller. A foreigner.
	with a toast	straniero con una	A foreigner with a
	family.	famiglia di	dry family.
		rinsecchiti.	

In (26-28) the dubbing and standardization of the Greek term in the Italian version of *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* deprives the target audience of the strongly felt sense of Greekness that is instead distinctive of the film's protagonists and is always conveyed in the Italian dubbed version of its sequel, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2*, whose Italian translator/dialogue adaptor seems to follow the recently emerged tendency, in the field of the audiovisual translation of multilingualism, to stick to the original audiovisual product's foreign ethnolinguistic flavour (as already discussed in Chapter 2, section 2.2.; see 3.3. for in-depth discussion on the elimination of intrasentential code-switching in dub).

3.2.2. Forms of address, greetings and formulaic expressions

Ethnographic references made by means of intrasentential codeswitching are maintained unaltered also when L3 greetings, terms of endearment, interjections, exclamations and formulaic expressions are used in the course of exchanges in the L1/L2 (covering 43% of the total items), leading to specific speech patterns that, especially when immigrant characters are at stake, entail the spontaneous use of the we-code as the

linguistic correlative of the concepts of 'family', 'home', 'homeland', thus fulfilling code-switching's emotive and phatic functions.

3.2.2.1. Address terms, pet names and honorifics

As far as forms of address are concerned, they are always borrowed in their original form in both versions of the films under investigation (137 items) and are used both by speakers with different ethnicities in the course of cross-cultural interactions (as in *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*) and by immigrant characters in the course of intimate, in-group conversations (as in *Bend It Like Beckham*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* 2, *Real Women Have Curves*, *The Hundred-Foot Journey*).

In *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, the Spanish vocative *señor*, the equivalent of "Mr", is used by American characters when addressing Spanish characters in order to conform to the Spanish environment they find themselves in. This can be seen when Vicky, at the beginning of the film, rejects Juan Antonio's invitation to spend a weekend in Oviedo with him and addresses him using *señor*, generally employed to show respect and politeness but here used with a mocking tone implying derogatory connotations (29).

(29)

Vicky to	Jesus, this guy, he	Mio Dio, questo	My God, this guy
Juan	doesn't beat	qui non ha mezze	doesn't have half-
Antonio	around the bush.	misure. Senta,	measures. Listen,
	Look, señor,	señor, magari in	señor, maybe in
	maybe in a	un'altra vita.	another life.
	different life.		

Affectionate forms of address and terms of endearment for parents, sons/daughters and close relatives are extensively to be found in *Bend It Like Beckham*, *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* 2, *The Hundred-Foot Journey*, where they act as linguistic reinforcements of family ties and whose maintenance in both versions of the films fulfils emotive as well as pragmatic functions.

In *Bend It Like Beckham*, Mrs Bhamra often addresses Jess, her youngest daughter, with the Punjabi lexical item *Chi Chi Chi* (3 occurrences), meaning "little finger", a term used to symbolize strength and unity that derives from the Hindu belief that Lord Krishna lifted an entire mountain on his little finger so that his poor friends could take shelter. But, especially in British contexts, this term is also often used with negative connotations to refer to a person of mixed British and Indian descent, and these could be the implications it entails also in this film as Mrs Bhamra uses it with angry tones to reproach her daughter Jess, who constantly breaks her Indian family rules with her 'too British' lifestyle (30, 31).

(30)

Mrs	Chi Chi Chi.	Chi Chi Chi.	Chi Chi Chi.
Bhamra	Cigarette!	Sigaretta!	Cigarette!

(31)

Mrs	Chi! We're going	Chi! Noi andiamo a	Chi! We're going
Bhamra	to pray to God to	pregare Dio che ti	to pray God to
	give you both	dia un po' di buon	give you some
	sense, not bring	senso, non certo a	common sense,
	back food for you!	prendere da	not to take food
		mangiare!	for you!

In this film, a Hindi-Punjabi word imbued with loving connotations that adults frequently use when addressing their children is *putar*, i.e. "child; son; daughter", whereas children addressing adults recurrently use *massiji*, i.e. "aunt", formed with the gender-neutral honorific suffix *ji*, traditionally appended to names and terms of address to show respect to one's interlocutor (32).

(32)

Tony's	[] And pray for	[] E prega per me	[] And pray for
mother	me, that I get a	che io possa trovare	me that I could
	lovely daughter-	una nuora come te	find a daughter-in-
	in-law like you for	per il mio Tony, ah,	law like you for
	my Tony, uh	putar?	my Tony, uh
	putar?		putar?
Tony	Mum!	Mamma!	Mom!
Pinky	Ah, thank you,	Oh, grazie, massiji!	Oh, thank you,

massiji! Okay, bye	Arrivederci, eh.	massiji! Goodbye,
eh.		eh.

Similarly, the Hindi-Punjabi honorific *baba*, i.e. "father; grandfather; wise man", is often adopted as a mark of respect both by children to address their father and by wives to address their husbands, as is the case with Mrs Bhamra when talking to her husband in (33) and (34).

(33)

Mr Bhamra	I said I want to	Ho detto che voglio	I said I want to
	speak to them!	parlare con loro!	speak to them!
Mrs	Okay, baba.	Okay, baba.	Okay, baba.
Bhamra			

(34)

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Mrs	Okay, okay, fine	Okay, okay, va bene	Okay, okay, fine
Bhamra	baba. Let's just do	baba. Dobbiamo	baba. We must
	it before	sbrigarci prima che	hurry up before
	something else	succeda	something else
	goes wrong!	qualcos'altro!	goes wrong!

The equivalent Hindi honorific *papa*, meaning "father" and derived from baby talk, is extensively used in *The Hundred-Foot Journey* (58 occurrences) by Hassan, his brother and his sister to address their father (32, 33).

(32)

Hassan	Papa, come on!	Forza papa!	Come on papa!
(33)			
Mansur	Pana no vou	Papa, no, non si	Pana no
		contratta stavolta.	
		Paghiamo la tariffa	
		come le persone	
	normal people.	normali.	normal people.

Likewise, the Hindi affectionate address term *mummyji*, i.e. "mummy", is used in both *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* (9 occurrences;

34-36) and *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* (7 occurrences; 37-39) everytime Sonny speaks to his mother in many different conversational contexts.

(34)			
Sonny	[] I have a dream <i>mummyji</i> . A most brilliant one. To outsource old age	[] Io ho un sogno mummyji. È un progetto che può funzionare. La delocalizzazione della	[] I have a dream <i>mummyji</i> . It's a project that can work. The relocation of old
	[]	vecchiaia []	age []
(35)			
Sonny	Success does not happen overnight mummyji. This is blue sky thinking and it requires long-term strategy and patience.	Il successo non arriva così dall'oggi al domani <i>mummyji</i> . Chi lo crede è un pazzo. Serve una strategia a lungo termine e molta pazienza.	Success does not come overnight mummyji. Who thinks so is crazy. You need longterm strategy and a lot of patience.
(36)			
Sonny	It takes teamwork to make a dream work, <i>mummyji</i> .	Ci vuole un lavoro di squadra per realizzare un sogno, <i>mummyji</i> .	It takes teamwork to achieve a dream, <i>mummyji</i> .
(37)			
Sonny	Don't speak to the guests mummyji.	Non disturbare gli ospiti, <i>mummyji</i> .	Don't disturb the guests, <i>mummyji</i> .
(38)			
Sonny	Mummyji, Guy Chambers has chosen you. A great mystery for another time. But	Mummyji, Guy Chambers ha scelto te. Questo è un grande mistero da risolvere. Quando ti	Mummyji, Guy Chambers has chosen you. This is a great mystery to solve. When he

fa un cenno devi

beckons, you must

the moment he

beckons, you must join him on the dance floor to	raggiungerlo sulla pista da ballo e scatenarti con lui.	join him on the dance floor and rock and roll with
throw some		him.
shapes.		

(39)

Sonny	What's left of our	Ciò che resta delle	What's left of our
	hopes for the hotel	nostre speranze per	hopes for the hotel
	are in his hands,	l'hotel è nelle sue	is in his hands,
	mummyji, so,	mani, <i>mummyji</i> ,	mummyji, so make
	please, take one	perciò fai uno	an effort for the
	for the team.	sforzo per la	team.
		squadra.	

In My Big Fat Greek Wedding (44) and My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 (40-43, 45-49) the importance of family ties is always emphasized also from the linguistic point of view as the members of the Portokalos family habitually address each other using the Greek terms of address papou, i.e. "grandfather" (6 occurrences; 40-43), yiayia, i.e. "granny, grandma" (5 occurrences; 42-44), mana-yiayia, i.e. "grand-grandmother" (7 occurrences; 45, 46), thia, i.e. "aunt" (15 occurrences; 47-48), thio, i.e. "uncle" (5 occurrences; 49).

(40)

Paris	Bye bye <i>papou!</i>	Ciao papou!	Bve papou!
1 4115	Bye oye papou.	Ciao papon.	Byc papou.

(41)

Toula	Paris, papou	Paris, papou non	Paris, papou didn't
	didn't mean to say	voleva dire niente	mean to say
	anything to hurt	che ti ferisse, sei	anything to hurt
	you, you are	bellissima, stra-	you, you are
	beautiful, stra-	bellissima, certo che	beautiful, stra-
	beautiful, of	non sembri vecchia,	beautiful, of course
	course you don't	lui dice cose così	you don't look old,
	look old, he just	anche a me! []	he just says things
	says things like		like that to me
	that to me too!		too! []
	[]		

(42)

Paris	So, <i>yiayia</i> , are	Allora, yiayia, tu e	So, <i>yiayia</i> , are you
	you and <i>papou</i>	papou vi sposerete	and <i>papou</i> really
	really gonna get	per davvero?	gonna get married?
	married now?		

(43)

Paris to	You track me, all	Tu mi pedini, tutto il	You track me, all
her	day. Mom's	giorno. Mamma è	day. Mom is
father	needy, papou	ansiosa, <i>papou</i> vuole	anxious, papou
	wants to marry	darmi in sposa,	wants to marry
	me off, yiayia	yiayia costantemente	me off, yiayia
	constantly tells	mi dice di non	constantly tells
	me to never ever	lasciare che un	me to never let a
	let a boy touch	ragazzo tocchi la	boy touch my
	my <i>poulaki</i>	mia <i>poulaki</i> perché	<i>poulaki</i> because
	because "once he	"una volta sfiorata la	"once he brushes
	feels it, he wants	vuole".	against it, he
	it".		wants it".

(44)

Gus	Look, everybody.	Guardate, guardate	Look, look
Portokalos	Look who's back	chi è tornata.	who's come
	again.		back.
Toula and	Hi, yiayia.	Ciao, yiayia.	Hi, yiayia.
Maria			
Gus	Sit down, yiayia.	Siediti, yiayia.	Sit down,
Portokalos	Very good.	Bravissima.	yiayia.

<u>(45)</u>

(-)			
Marianthi	Yeah, we had to stop and pick up	Sì, siamo passati a prendere <i>mana</i> -	Yeah, we went and picked up
	mana-yiayia.	yiayia. Ma	mana-yiayia.
	But where is	dov'è?	But where is
	she?		she?
Ian	Mana-yiayia!	Mana-yiayia!	
Toula	Mana-yiayia!	Mana-yiayia!	

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Paris	Mana-yiayia, I'm	Mana-yiayia,	Mana-yiayia, I'm
	gonna stay home	resterò qui per il	gonna stay here
	for college.	college.	for college.
(47)			
Toula to	Hi, thia.	Ciao, thia.	Hi, thia.
Voula			
(48)			
Athena to	Yeah, convince	Sì, convincila ad	Yes, convince her
Voula	her to just go to	andare in chiesa a	to go to the
	the church and get	farlo e basta, thia.	church and get it
	it done, thia.		done, thia.
(49)			
Toula to	Well, you could	Beh, potevi	Well, you could
Gus	have called thio	chiamare thio	call thio Panos in
	Panos in Greece.	Panos in Grecia.	Greece.

In (40-49) the pervasive presence of Greek affectionate terms of address in both versions clearly illustrates that Greek functions as the linguistic correlative of the Portokaloses' view of their family as an entity within which individuals are mostly identified with their family roles, evoked by their Greek names, something that always brings their Greek heritage to the fore. This aspect is further emphasized by the presence, in (43), of the Greek term *poulaki*, a diminutive meaning "little bird" derived from baby talk and referred to the female genitalia, used by Paris, Toula's daughter and a third-generation immigrant, in an instance of unmarked, metaphorical intrasentential code-switching.

L3 pet names and terms of endearment are likewise often used in the original version of many of the films under study (13 items) and mostly preserved in the films' Italian dubbed version, thus fulfilling codeswitching's emotive function. Punjabi pet names are to be found, for instance, in *Ae Fond Kiss* (7 items) when Casim compares Roisin first to a *khotee*, i.e. butterfly, and then to a *durdou*, i.e. frog (50).

(50)

Casim	You're a <i>khotee</i> .	Sei una khotee.	You're a <i>khotee</i> .
Roisin	A <i>khotee</i> ? Is that a	Una <i>khotee</i> ? È un	A <i>khotee</i> ? Is that a
	compliment?	complimento?	compliment?
Casim	A lovely little	Una piccola dolce	A little sweet
	khotee.	khotee.	khotee.
Roisin	Ah.	Ah.	Ah.
Casim	Do you know what	Anzi, sai cosa sei?	Or rather, do you
	you are?		know what you are?
Roisin	What?	Cosa?	What?
Casim	A durdou.	Una durdou.	A durdou.
Roisin	Durdou? What's	Una durdou? E	A durdou? And
	that?	cos'è?	what's that?
Casim	Frog.	Una ranocchietta.	A little frog.

The term *durdou* is used again by Casim as a term of endearment when he leaves a voice message on Roisin's answering machine apologising after a quarrel with her (51).

(51)

Casim	Please call me	Per favore	Please call me back
	when you get back	richiamami quando	when you get back
	in or if you're in,	torni a casa, o se ci	home, or if you're
	please pick up,	sei alza questa	in pick up this
	honey. See you	cornetta. Fallo per	receiver. Do it out
	soon, my durdou.	me amore. A presto,	of love. See you
		durdou.	soon, durdou.

An interesting fact is that, at the end of the film, it is Roisin that uses this term to address Casim, in a sort of reversal of roles that indicates that Rosin's and Casim's worlds are now intertwined also from the linguistic point of view (52).

(52)

Roisin	I'll let you know.	Le farò sapere.	I'll let you know.
	Crazy durdou.	Piccolo pazzo	Little crazy durdou.
		durdou.	

In the Italian version of *East Is East*, where the prevailing tendency is to dub and translate Urdu forms of address into Italian (see 3.3.), some vocatives are instead borrowed in their original form when their culturally-embedded essence renders it difficult to find a pragmatic equivalent liable to convey (at least) similar nuances of meaning. This can be observed when Mark, inviting Abdul to drink something to celebrate the wedding of one of their co-workers, addresses him using the Urdu term *gunga* (2 occurrences), meaning "dumb" and generally referred to a person either speech-impaired or not willing to speak; in this case, Mark uses the term with ironical, and in a sense, affectionate tones implicitly referring to the fact that Abdul is considered, by the other men at his workplace, as shy and reserved (53).

(53)

Abdul	No, Mark, I don't	No, grazie, io non	No, thanks, I don't
	drink.	bevo.	drink.
Mark	((shouting))	((shouting)) Gunga,	Gunga, it's
		è la tradizione!	tradition! He's
	tradition! He's	Domani si sposa!	getting married
	getting married	Dai, gunga!	tomorrow! Drink,
	tomorrow! Drink,		gunga!
	gunga!		

Neutral vocative expressions used as generic terms of address are instead to be found in both versions of *Real Women Have Curves*; the most recurrent one is *mujeres* (4 occurrences), i.e. "women", prevailingly uttered by Ana's mother to address the women workers at the sewing factory in order to reinforce their common Mexican roots and their sense of being a community, a crucial sociocultural aspect conveyed to both audiences (54, 55).

(54)

Ana's	<i>Mujeres</i> , this is my	Mujeres, questa è	<i>Mujeres</i> , this is my
mother	daughter, Ana. You	mia figlia Ana.	daughter, Ana. The
	know, the one I	Quella di cui mi	one I always
	always complain	lamento sempre.	complain about.
	about.	_	

(55)

Ana's	Mujeres, you are	Mujeres, non ci	Mujeres, you'll
mother	not going to believe	crederete mai. Ho	never believe this. I
	this. I heard gossip	sentito un	heard gossip at the
	at the Chapala	pettegolezzo al	Chapala Market.
	Market.	Chapala Market.	

As far as proper culture-specific honorifics are concerned, the term of Arabic origin *sahib*, meaning "holder, master, owner" and nowadays commonly employed to address a man in a position of authority, is used in both *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* and *East It East*. In *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, Graham asks his driver Pravesh to accompany him to visit a place particularly dear to his heart, as it is the place where he met his former lover Manoji many years before, and Pravesh intrasententially switches from English to Hindi using *sahib* to express his social deference to the British man (56).

(56)

Graham	This can't be right,	No, il posto non è	No, the place is
	surely?	questo.	not this one.
Pravesh	I am thinking so,	Io credo di sì,	I think so, sahib.
	sahib.	sahib.	

Similarly, in *East Is East*, *sahib* is used by Zaid to address his employer Iyaaz (57).

(57)

Zaid	Er, Iyaaz sahib,	Ehm, Iyaaz sahib,	Er, Iyaaz <i>sahib</i> ,
	this film is not	oggi non danno	today they don't
	showing today.	questo film.	show this film.
Ella	Oh, well, never	Oh, beh pazienza,	Oh, well never
	mind.	non importa.	mind, it doesn't
			matter.
Iyaaz	Auntyji, no	Zia, non c'è	Aunt, no problem!
	problem! Zaid?	problema! Zaid?	Zaid? Change
	Change picture.	Cambia film. Metti	picture. Put on
	Put on "Chaudvin	"Chaudvin Kha	"Chaudvin Kha
	Kha Chand".	Chand".	Chand".
Zaid	Sahib, the film is	Sahib, il film è già	Sahib, the film's

	already playing for	cominciato da	already started for
	half hour.	mezz'ora.	half an hour.

In (57) the maintenance of the Hindi term in the Italian version provides the Italian audience with a faithful representation of the two men's asymmetrical relationship, based on Iyaaz's authority, on the one hand, and on Zaid's sense of inferiority, on the other hand, as expressed by his use of the we-code honorific

In *The Hundred-Foot Journey* the Hindi honorific *bhaiya* is used in the original version and borrowed in its original form in the Italian dubbed version when Mrs Kadam, running through the crowded market of Mumbai along with his little son Hassan, tries to get the attention of the sea-urchins' seller and she addresses him using this term, generally employed as a form of respect both to address someone whose name you do not know and, in its meaning of "big brother", to address either one's elder brothers or any one older in age (58).

(58)

Mrs	Hassan,	stay	with	Hassan, andiamo!	Hassan, come on!
Kadam	me.	Bha	aiya!	Bhaiya! Hassan,	Bhaiya! Hassan,
	, ·	come	on!	sbrigati! <i>Hindi</i>	hurry up!
	Hindi				

3.2.2.2. Greetings

L3 greetings represent another category of cultural specifics extensively used in the original version of the films under study (94 items) and always preserved unaltered in their Italian dubbed version; indeed, also in this case, as for the previously observed cases of culture-bound references, L3 greetings are stuck into specific ethnocultural contexts that are imbued with sociocultural, and in some cases religious, connotations and are strictly related to a terminology that is exclusive to their culture of origin.

As far as greetings entailing a spiritual import are concerned, the Arabic greeting *As-salām'alaykum*, i.e. "Peace be upon you" (59-62) and its typical response *Wa'alaykum as-salām*, i.e. "And upon you" (59), are often used as standard salutations among Muslims in *East Is East* (35 occurrences of *As-salām'alaykum*, 13 occurrences of *Wa'alaykum as-*

salām; 59-61) and The Mistress of Spices (2 occurrences of Assalām'alaykum; 62).

(59)

Pohppa	As-salām'alaykum.	As-salām'alaykum.	
Khalid			
Abdul	Wa'alaykum as-	Wa'alaykum as-	
	salām.	salām.	

(60)

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George	As-salām'alaykum	As-salām'alaykum	As-salām 'alaykum
	Mr Shah.	Signor Shah.	Mr Shah.
Mr	Alaykum as-salām.	Alaykum as-salām.	
Shah			
George	Ella, Mr Shah.	Ella, il Signor	Ella, Mr Shah.
		Shah.	
Mr	As-salām'alaykum.	As-salām'alaykum.	
Shah			
Ella	Alaykum as-salām.	Alaykum as-salām.	Alaykum as-salām.
	As-salām'alaykum	As-salām'alaykum	As-salām 'alaykum
	Mr Shah.	Signor Shah.	Mr Shah.

(61)

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Earnest	As-salām 'alaykum	As-salām 'alaykum	As-salām'alaykum
to Mr	Mr Khan!	Signor Khan!	Mr Khan!
Khan			

(62)

Hameeda	[] If we meet on	[] Se ci	If we meet he just
to Tilo	the stairs, he just	incontriamo mi	says to me "As-
	says "As-	dice solo "As-	salām 'alaykum''
	salām 'alaykum''	salām 'alaykum'' e	and runs away.
	and hurries down.	scappa via.	

The Sanskrit greeting *Namastè*, literally meaning "I bow to you" or "I bow to the divine in you", used with relatives, guests or strangers as a respectful form both for greetings and farewells, is to be found in *Eat Pray Love* when Indian characters greet Liz at the *ashram* (2 occurrences; 63), in *The Hundred-Foot Journey* when used by Indian characters to address

French characters (3 occurrences; 64, 65), and in *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* when Indian characters greet either each other or their British interlocutors (14 occurrences; 66-68).

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Man to Liz	Namastè. It has already started.	Namastè. Benvenuta.	Namastè. Welcome.

(64)

Aisha	Namastè.	Namastè.	
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(65)

Mah	ira	Namastè!	Namastè!	
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(66)

Evelyn	Namastè.	Namastè.	
Market	Namastè.	Namastè.	
seller			

(67)

Sunny	Namastè Anokhi.	Namastè Anokhi.	
	Hindi	Hindi	
Anokhi	Hindi	Hindi	
Sunny	Hindi	Hindi	
Anokhi	Hindi. Namastè	Hindi. Namastè	Hindi. Namastè
	madam.	signora.	madam.
Muriel	Namastè Anokhi.	Namastè Anokhi.	
Donnelly			

(68)

Evelyn	Namastè.	Namastè.	
Hari's	Namastè.	Namastè.	
cousins			

Also generic L3 greetings, used in the films under study both by immigrant characters in the host country and by speakers of different nationalities who meet and interact in multiethnic environments, are borrowed, in the films' Italian dubbed version, to convey the original film's ethnolinguistic foreignness. In *Spanglish*, the traditional Spanish

greetings *Hola* (7 occurrences) and *Buenos días* (4 occurrences) are adopted, in particular, by John Clasky and Bernice to address Flor (69, 70).

(69)

John	Hola Flor!	Hola Flor!	Hola Flor!
Flor	Hola.	Hola.	

(70)

Bernice	Hey! "Buenos días"	Ehi! "Buenos días"	Hey! "Buenos
	Flor.	Flor.	días" Flor.

In (69) and (70) the presence of spoken Spanish in the Italian dubbed version has a crucial significance as John's and Bernice's use of the Spanish greetings can be considered as the linguistic correlative of their desire both to overcome the barriers initially separating them from Flor and to make Flor feel at ease (or we could say 'at home') in their WASP (White Anglo Saxon Protestant) environment, a context that she clearly perceives, at least at the beginning of the film, as 'alien' also from a linguistic point of view.

Similarly, in *My Life in Ruins* Greek greetings such as *Kalimera*, i.e. "Good morning" (4 occurrences; 71, 72), and *Kalispera*, i.e. "Good evening" (4 occurrences; 73), are used by Georgia in an attempt to get closer to both Procopi (71) and her group of tourists (72, 73), to whom she teaches these typical Greek greetings adopting English as a metalanguage to explain their meaning (72, 73).

(71)

Procopi	Kalimera.	Kalimera.	
Georgia	Kalimera.	Kalimera.	

(72)

Georgia	Kalimera,	Kalimera, Kalimera a	Kalimera, Kalimera
	Kalimera	tutti quanti. Che in	everyone. That in
	everyone. That's	Greco è	Greek is "Good
	Greek for "Good	"Buongiorno".	morning".
	morning".		

(73)

Georgia Okay, let's learn	Bene, impariamo	Okay, let's learn
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	some more	un'altra parola	another Greek
	Greek. Kalispera,	greca. Kalispera,	word. Kalispera,
	kalispera	kalispera a tutti voi.	kalispera to all of
	everyone. That's	In greco vuol dire	you. In Greek it
	Greek for "Good	"Buonasera".	means "Good
	evening".		evening".
Tourists	Kalispera,	Kalispera, kalispera.	
	kalispera.		

Also in *Eat Pray Love* L3 greetings are mostly used with the aim of shortening the distance between characters of different nationalities, as can be observed when Felipe addresses Liz beginning his English utterance with oi, the Portuguese equivalent of "Hello", which derives from the imperative form of the verb oir, i.e. "to hear" or "to listen to", and that is commonly used not only as a greeting (as in 74) but also as an interjection during a conversation.

(74)

Felipe	Oi, can I buy you a	Oi, posso offrirle	Oi, can I buy you
	drink?	da bere?	something to drink?

The importance of L3 greetings to convey the filmic context's exoticism is particularly to the fore if we consider the Italian dubbed version of *Real Women Have Curves*. Indeed, interestingly enough, in this film where, as already observed in Chapter 2, the L3/we-code is mostly dubbed into Italian, Spanish greetings and blessings are instead mostly preserved at the spoken level with no form of translation provided. The most recurrent ones are: *Buenas* (3 occurrences), used by Estela, her grandfather and one of her cousins (75), *Buenas noches* (1 occurrence) used by Ana when greeting a group of Mexican street singers (76) and the blessing *Qué Dios te bendiga*, i.e. "God bless you" (1 occurrence), used by Ana's mother when parting from Normita who is going to leave the sewing factory to go back to Mexico and get married (77).

(75)

Estela	Buenas.	Buenas.	
Grandfather	Buenas.	Buenas.	
Cousin	Buenas.	Buenas.	

(76)

Ana	Buenas noches.	Buenas noches.	
(77)			
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Ana's	Qué Dios te bendiga.	Qué Dios te	
mother		bendiga.	
to			
Normita			

As excerpts (59-77) illustrate, the maintenance of L3 greetings in the films' Italian dubbed version serves a series of crucial functions within the films' overall architecture and, above all, it allows the target audience to fully experience the original sociolinguistic filmic context and to better understand the characters' interpersonal relationships, as language is primarily used to uncover mutual ties, to express in-group solidarity and shared identity, to create common linguistic and cultural dimensions within which linguistic and cultural difference can be overcome.

3.2.2.3. Formulaic expressions, exclamations and interjections

Another category of L3 culture-bound references whose ethnolinguistic peculiarities are preserved unaltered in the Italian dubbed versions of the films under study is represented by formulaic expressions, exclamations and interjections, used in a wide range of conversational contexts that are always assigned a distinctively exotic flavour.

In My Big Fat Greek Wedding (78, 79, 83), My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 (81) and My Life in Ruins (80, 82), we can find many typical Greek phrases used both for emotional manifestations in everyday colloquial interactions and for celebrations (i.e. festivities, drinking salutations) such as pame, i.e. "let's go" (1 occurrence; 78); opa, i.e. a cheer of joy used during celebrations and dancing (10 occurrences; 79-81); yia sou i.e. "health to you" (6 occurrences; 81); yiamas, i.e. "cheers" (3 occurrences; 82); Christos Anesti, i.e. "Christ is risen!" (4 occurrences), and Alithos Anesti, i.e. "Truly He is risen!" (2 occurrences), used to say "Happy Easter" (83).

(78)

Ian	Thanks, baby.	Ah, grazie, tesoro.	Oh, thanks,
	Greek school,	Scuola greca,	honey. Greek

	pame. What's that	pame. Che vuol	school, pame.
	mean?	dire?	What does it
			mean?
Daughter	"Let's go".	"Andiamo".	"Let's go".
(79)			
Angelo	Hey Ian, we're	Ciao Ian, ti	Hi Ian, we are
11118010	going to kill you,	facciamo fuori,	going to kill you!
	opa!	opa!	going to min your
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(80) Kim,	Opa!	Opa!	
Doris Doris	J. P.W.	J.	
and Su			
and Du			
(81)			
Angelo	Yia sou, Ian.	Yia sou, Ian.	
Nikki	Opa!	Opa!	
(82)			
Marc	How do you say	Come si dice qui	How do you say
	"Cheers"?	"Cin cin"?	here "Cheers"?
Georgia	We say yiamas, to	Noi diciamo	We say yiamas, to
	our health.	yiamas, alla	our health.
		salute.	
Marc	Yiamas.	Yiamas.	
(83)			
Toula	So, for "Happy	Allora, per	So, for "Happy
	Easter" we say	"Buona Pasqua"	Easter" we say
	Christos Anesti.	noi diciamo	Christos Anesti.
	Then the other	Christos Anesti. E	And the other
	person says back	l'altra persona	person replies
	Alithos Anesti. So	risponde <i>Alithos</i>	Alithos Anesti. So
	if you want to say	Anesti. Perciò se	if you want to say
	"Happy Easter",	vuoi dire "Buona	"Happy Easter"
	you go, Christos	Pasqua" dici	you say Christos
	Anesti. So try it.	Christos Anesti.	Anesti. Try it.
		Decree	

Prova.

L2 interjections are instead used in *Eat Pray Love*, mainly to shorten the distance between characters of different nationalities, as we can see when Felipe addresses Liz using the Portuguese expression *ta bom*, an equivalent of "All right, okay" (84);

(84)

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Felipe	Ta bom.	Ta bom.	

likewise, Armenia, a Brazilian woman living in Bali, often adopts unmarked, situation-related intrasentential code-switching from English to Portuguese when talking to Liz; this can be seen when she describes an hair treatment done by Wayan, the local town healer, and uses the expression *lindo*, i.e. "lovely", repeating it twice to stress her utterance's phatic connotation, as well as when she uses the exclamation *ótimo*, i.e. "great, super", to show her enthusiasm when Liz tells she has a nice dress to wear at the party Armenia wants her to go to (85).

(85)

Armenia	It makes the hair	Ti fa i capelli	It makes the hair
	long and lustrous.	lunghi e lucenti.	long and lustrous.
	Like Cher. circa	Come Cher, tipo	Like Cher, as in
	1975. <i>Lindo, lindo</i> !	nel 1975. Lindo,	1975. <i>Lindo, lindo</i> !
	Do you have a nice	lindo! Ce l'hai un	Do you have a nice
	dress?	vestito carino?	dress?
Liz	One.	Uno.	One.
Armenia	Ótimo! Put it on	Ótimo! Mettitelo	Ótimo! Put it on
	tonight and come	stasera e vieni al	tonight and come
	to the Beach	Beach Shack. Ti	to the Beach Shack.
	Shack. I'll	presento a tutti. Lì	I'll introduce you
	introduce you to	puoi ballare con i	to everyone. There
	everyone. The	locali, con gli	you can dance with
	expats, the locals.	stranieri. Vedrai	the locals, the
	You'll dance.	che ti piace.	foreigners. You'll
	You'll love it.		see that you'll love
			it.

L3 interjections are sometimes used by the foreign/immigrant characters also to introduce a topic at the beginning of an utterance, as we can observe in *Real Women Have Curves* when Ana's mother uses the

Spanish adjective *bueno*, i.e. "well", as a filler word when she recounts the plot of an episode of her favourite soap opera (86) and when she thanks Ana's teacher for the visit he paid to her family (87).

(86)

Ana's	Bueno. This	Bueno. Allora, lo	Bueno. So, the	
mother	handsome, dark	straniero, quello	stranger, the	
	stranger comes to	bello, va a visitare	handsome one,	
	visit the fishing	il villaggio dei	goes to visit the	
	village. And she	pescatori e lei	fishing village and	
	wants herbut of	finalmente lo	she finally meets	
	course we know	incontra. Lui le dice	him. He tells her	
	what he wanted,	che non importa se	him. He tells her that it doesn't matter if she is half cross-eyed and that	
	no? One night,	è mezza guercia e	matter if she is half	
	without telling her	che lui la ama e che	cross-eyed and that	
	parents, Yanira	la vuole. Ma noi	he loves her and he	
	goes out with the	ovviamente	wants her. But of	
	stranger.	sappiamo cosa	course we know	
		vuole lui, giusto?	what he wants,	
		Poi senza dire	right? Then,	
		niente ai suoi	without telling	
		genitori di notte	anything to her	
		Yanira esce con lo	parents, one night	
		straniero.	Yanira goes out	
			with the stranger.	

(87)

Ana's	Bueno. Thank you	Bueno. Grazie	Bueno. Thank you
mother	very much, señor	mille, signor	very much, Mr
	Guzman, but this	Guzman, ma questa	Guzman, but this is
	is a family matter.	è una questione di	a family matter.
	, and the second	famiglia.	·

All excerpts in (78-87) represent perfect linguistic combinations of L1/L3, in the original versions, and of L2/L3 in the Italian dubbed versions, where linguistic integration proves to be the linguistic correlative of the ideological and sociocultural integration that the use of intrasentential codeswitching normally entails in multilingual discourse practices, both on and off the screen.

3.2.3. Religion and the spiritual sphere

The culture-specific elements extensively to be found in the multiethnic films under study also include L3 references to the religious and spiritual sphere, always conveyed by means of loans in the Italian dubbed versions, as they are exclusive to thei characters' specific background sociocultural heritage and represent both conceptual and lexical gaps in any other sociocultural system besides their own.

East Is East, where religion plays a crucial role in the characters' life, recurrently presents the Arabic expression *Inshallah*, meaning "Allah willing" or "if Allah wills it" (3 occurrences; 88), as well as some phrases taken from the Qur'ran that the Mullah teaches to his class of pupils (15 occurrences; 89).

(88)

George Khan	You arrange?	Pensaci tu.	You think about it.
Mullah	Inshallah.	Inshallah.	

(89)

Mullah	Bismillah.	Bismillah.	
Class	Bismillah.	Bismillah.	
Mullah	Irachmah.	Irachmah.	
Class	Irachmah.	Irachmah.	
Mullah	Neerahim.	Neerahim.	
Class	Neerahim.	Neerahim.	
Mullah	La Eh Laha.	La Eh Laha.	
Class	La Eh Laha.	La Eh Laha.	
Mullah	Illalah.	Illalah.	
Class	Illalah.	Illalah.	
Mullah	Ho Mohammed	Ho Mohammed Dar.	
	Dar.		
Class	Ho Mohammed	Ho Mohammed Dar.	
	Dar.		
Mullah	Rasoo Lallah.	Rasoo Lallah.	
Class	Rasoo Lallah.	Rasoo Lallah.	

As (88) and (89) show, in our corpus of films religious terms are often used by immigrant characters to reinforce the survival of their background belief system in their host country, something that is clearly to be observed also in *Crash*, when Farhad mentions the Farsi term *farishta*, whose original meaning comes from pre-Islamic pagan traditions and means "angel, divine messenger", to refer to a little girl that, according to him, acted as his guardian angel and prevented him from committing a terrible crime (90).

(90)

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Farhad	I shoot a little girl.	Io sparato a	I shoot little girl.	
		ragazzina.		
Dorri	What?	Cosa?	What?	
Farhad	No, she's okay.	No, ma-ma lei è	No, but-but she's	
	She's here-	okay. Lei lei	okay. She's	
	here. The gun	colpita qui, pistola	struck here, the gun	
	shoot her, but	ha sparato, ma lei	shoot, but she okay,	
	she's okay, Dorri.	okay, Dorri, niente	Dorri, nothing	
	Nothing happened.	è successo. Lei è	happened. She's	
	She's my farishta.	mio farishta.	my farishta.	
Dorri	What are you	Di che cosa stai	What are you	
	talking about,	parlando?	talking about?	
	Daddy?			
Farhad	My farishta, Dorri.	Mio farishta,	My farishta, Dorri.	
	My angel, my	Dorri. Mio mio	My my angel,	
	angel. She came to	angelo, mio	my angel. She	
	protect me. To	angelo. Lei è	came to protect me.	
	protect us. You	venuta a	She protects us.	
	understand?	proteggere me. Lei	You understand?	
		protegge noi. Tu		
		capisci?		

L3 culture-specific references deeply embedded in the religious and spiritual sphere of a country are extensively to be found in *Eat Pray Love*, especially in the part of the film set in India where Liz discovers the power of prayer to achieve spiritual peace; when Liz arrives at the *guru*'s sanctuary and she is shown the *ashram*, both Sanskrit words *guru*, i.e. a teacher and guide but also someone considered as a reverential figure who has achieved the permanent state of enlightenment and can actually pass

this state on to others (12 occurrences), and *ashram*, i.e. a holy place dedicated to prayer and meditation (4 occurrences), are maintained unaltered in Italian, where they are used as loanwords (91).

(91)

Liz	Is the <i>guru</i> here?	La guru è qui?	Is the <i>guru</i> here?	
Man	She's always here.	Lei è sempre qui.	She's always here.	
Liz	I know, but is she	Lo so, ma "qui"	I know, but "here"	
	"here" here?	qui?	here?	
Man	She's at her	È nel suo ashram di	She's at her ashram	
	ashram in New	New York.	in New York.	
	York.			

Likewise, when the *guru*'s devotee explains the customs and practices of the *ashram*, he uses the Hindu word *seva*, i.e. selfless service or work performed without any thought of reward or repayment, a philosophical concept unknown in Western cultures that lacks an Italian lexical and semantic equivalent (3 occurrences; 92).

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Man	Change into your	Se ti metti gli abiti	If you put your
	work clothes. I'll	da lavoro ti porto nel	work clothes on
	take you to your	tuo seva. È una	I'll take you to
	seva. It's a Hindu	parola Hindi, per il	your <i>seva</i> . It's a
	word for "selfless	"disinteressato	Hindu word for
	devotional work".	lavoro di preghiera".	"selfless
	It's required for	È richiesto a tutti	devotional work".
	everyone who	quanti qui.	It's required for
	stays.		everyone here.

Furthermore, while at the *ashram*, Liz remembers that her ex boyfriend David once mentioned the term *Ganesh* (also spelled *Ganesa* or *Ganesha*), a popular Hindu deity in a human form with the head of an elephant that commonly represents the Lord of Good Fortune, even though the meaning David refers to, in this scene, is that of the Destroyer of Obstacles of a material or spiritual order, as he himself explains to Liz (93).

(93)

David	Ganesh.	Remover	Ganesh.	Colui	che	Ganesh.	The	one
			rimuove		gli	who	rem	oves

of the obstacles.	ostacoli.	obstacles.
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In *Eat Pray Love*, another important reference to the spiritual sphere is made by Felipe, in the part of the film set in Indonesia, when he compares Liz and himself to *antevasins*, a Sanskrit term referring to a person who had left the bustling center of worldly life to go live at the edge of the forest where the spiritual masters dwelled (94).

(94)

Felipe	I knew it. We are	Lo sapevo. Siamo	I knew it. We are
	both antevasins, my	tutti e due	both antevasins, my
	dear.	antevasins, mia	dear.
		cara.	
Liz	What is that?	Che vuol dire?	What does it mean?
Felipe	Antevasins is It's	Antevasins è uno	Antevasins is one
	an in-between. It is	che sta in mezzo. È	that stands in-
	the one who lives	quello che vive sul	between. It is the
	by the border	confine sono	one who lives by
	because they	quelli che	the border they
	renounce to the	rinunziano a un	are those that
	comfort of family	conforto della vita	renounce to the
	life in order to seek	di famiglia per	comfort of family
	"enlightment".	cercare la	life in order to seek
		"illumizione".	"enlightment".

In (92-94) it is interesting to notice that, as already observed for many previous instances of L3 culture-bound references (see 3.2.1.), the meaning of the L3 expressions is extensively explained in the L1/L2 by the speaker immediately after they are mentioned, a procedure that allows both audiences full understanding of the crucial religious and spiritual aspects brought to the fore in the scenes at stake (see also 3.2.4.).

3.2.4. Geographical landmarks, historic sites and places of worship

Another type of L3 culture-bound references to be recognized in the films under study is represented by geographical references (Díaz Cintas, Remael 2007), which are always left unaltered in both versions to convey the local distinctiveness of the places the characters find themselves in or come from (8 items).

In *Spanglish*, Deborah Clasky mentions the *barrio*, meaning "district" or "neighbourhood", which, in the film, refers to Carbon Beach, the highest-value beach neighbourhood on the Pacific Coast where the Claskys own a house: in this scene Deborah tries to convince Flor to work as a full-time nanny and house-keeper for her family for the summer months and live with them at their summer house (95).

(95)

Deborah	Oh come on,	Beh ma dai, è	Well come on, it's
	it's there's no	non ci sono	there's no buses
	buses from her to	autobus da casa	from her house to
	here. There's no	sua a qui. Non c'è	here. There's no
	question. Double	discussione. Ti	question. Please,
	come on. The	prego, ti	double please. I
	barrio, Carbon	straprego. Voglio	mean. The barrio,
	Beach, the barrio,	dire, il <i>barrio</i> ,	Carbon Beach, the
	Carbon Beach.	Carbon Beach, il	barrio, Carbon
		barrio, Carbon	Beach.
		Beach.	

In (95), the maintenance of the Spanish term and its use by an American character proves to be particularly meaningful as it indicates Deborah's attempt to convince Flor to accept her offer using the Hispanic woman's 'language of the heart', thus fulfilling, with her participant-related intrasentential code-switching from English to Spanish, both emotive and conative functions.

In *Eat Pray Love*, when Felipe shows Liz one of the many religious temples in Bali, he uses its original name, "*Pura Melanting*", followed by a literal translation of its meaning (96),

(96)

Felipe	It's beautiful, no?	È bello, eh? È Pura	It's beautiful, no?
	It's Pura	Melanting, che	It's Pura
	Melanting, which	significa "tempio	Melanting, which
	means "temple of	della prosperità".	means "temple of
	prosperity".		prosperity".

whereas in *My Life In Ruins* Georgia frequently quotes Greek terms relevant to famous Greek historic landmarks (4 items) such as *tholos* and *agora* (97).

(97)

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Georgia	We are now	Ci troviamo ora nel	We now find
	walking through	tholos. Volete dirlo	ourselves in the
	the tholos. Say it	insieme a me?	tholos. Do you
	with me?	Nessuno? D'accordo.	want to say it with
	Anyone? Okay.	La parola greca	me? Anyone?
	The Greek word	agora significa luogo	Okay. The Greek
	agora means a	di raduno e, nei	word agora means
	place of	tempi antichi, questo	place of gathering
	gathering and, in	era il cuore della vita	and, in ancient
	ancient times,	ateniese.	times, this was the
	this was the heart		heart of Athenian
	of Athenian life.		life.

As far as geographical references are concerned, as illustrated in (95-97), an interesting aspect to notice, in particular in films set in cross-cultural environments rich with places of interest and historic landmarks typically crowded with tourists, is that the meaning of many L3 geographical references is explained in English/Italian within the same utterance, thus plunging viewers into the cinematic exotic dimension without impairing comprehension, a procedure adopted also when moral principles and spiritual aspects are dealt with (as observed in 3.2.1., 3.2.3.).

3.2.5. Linguistic flavours of ethnic food across cultures

Other ethnographic references to be found in our corpus of films are those relevant to traditional ethnic food and local products (76 items), whose L3 names are left unaltered in both versions to illustrate the key role food plays in the characters' life both as a crucial vehicle of self-representation and as a cultural identifier, as can be seen, in particular, in Bend It Like Beckham (9 items), My Big Fat Greek Wedding (7 items), My Big Fat Greek Wedding (7 items), My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 (4 items), Ae Fond Kiss (6 items), My Life in Ruins (5 items), Eat Pray Love (2 items), The Hundred-Foot Journey (21 items), The Mistress of Spices (16 items), The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (7 items), The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (2 items). It is especially

in films revolving around immigrant families and communities that ethnic food is always placed into the foreground in the characters' life as one of the last bastions of sociocultural traditions that should be preserved across generations to validate in-group identity models (Monti in press). Indeed, the greatest connection between the first-, second- and third-generation immigrants portrayed on the screen is represented by the food they prepare faithfully respecting their homeland culinary practices while living a life at a point of cultural adjustment. But ethnic food is likewise brought to the fore in films set in multiethnic environments that are world-famous tourist destinations, whose local specialties sometimes also function as 'linguistic charms' capturing the tourists' senses with their alluring original names.

In this regard, what is interesting to observe in the films under study is that it is essentially through language that food is presented, as it is 'mentioned', 'named', 'quoted', 'cited' more than it is actually cooked (though, in some cases, the linguistic references to food are made during scenes featuring food preparation): indeed, the characters, and in particular the immigrant characters, linguistically enact their hybrid identity within their discourse practices through the recurrent use of intrasentential codeswitching from the they-code into their we-code when quoting the original names of the recipes that are a basic part of their background heritage (Monti in press).

3.2.5.1. Identity cooked in exotic dishes

The role ethnic eating habits play as identity icons in the daily life of the members of immigrant families and communities can be clearly observed in *Bend It Like Beckham*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, *The Hundred-Foot Journey*.

In *Bend It Like Beckham*, Indian food is often evoked in the course of family conversations both as a powerful marker of ethnic belonging and as a symbol of the Bhamras' well-being (98-101).

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Mrs	Chicken, lamb	Pollo, agnello e	Chicken, lamb and
Bhamra	and <i>paneer tikka</i> ⁵ .	anche paneer	also <i>paneer tikka</i> .
to Pinky	We'll show them,	tikka. Glielo	We'll show them,
	we're not poor	faremo vedere,	we're not poor

⁵ Marinated paneer/cottage cheese cubes, arranged on skewers and grilled or baked in the tandoor oven.

people! non siamo mica people, are we? poveri, no?
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Mrs	Ah, my mother	Mia madre scelse	My mother chose all
Bhamra	chose all my twenty-	lei tutti i ventuno	my twenty-one dowry
	one dowry suits	vestiti del mio	suits herself and I
	herself. I never once	corredo e non mi	never complained.
	complained. You	sono mai	You girls are too
	girls are too spoilt.	lamentata. Voi due	spoilt. And don't
	Now don't forget my	siete troppo	forget my dhania,
	dhania ⁶ , four	viziate. E non vi	four bunches for a
	bunches for a pound	scordate il mio	pound, and some
	and more carrots,	dhania, quattro	carrots, I'm making
	I'm making achar ⁷ .	mazzetti per una	achar.
		sterlina, e un po'	
		di carote, devo	
		fare achar.	

(100)

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Jess	Bring me back some	Portatemi un po'	Bring me back some
	langar ⁸ .	di <i>langar</i> .	langar.

(101)

Pinky	[] Mum's making	[] Mamma	[] Mum's making
	the samosas ⁹ .	prepara le <i>samosa</i> .	the <i>samosa</i> .

In (101), in the original version, the term *samosas* presents the English inflectional suffix for the plural -s whereas it is preserved in its original Punjabi form in the Italian dubbed version where it is used as a loanword (as already observed in excerpt 8 for the term tuk-tuk).

In *Bend It Like Beckham*, Mrs Bhamra is the character who most recurrently names typical Indian dishes and is constantly portrayed as a matriarchal figure symbolically devoting herself to the family's emotional

⁷ A variety of pickled condiments.

⁶ Coriander leaves.

⁸ The free vegetarian meal served after a Sikh service.

⁹ Small fried turnover of Indian origin filled with seasoned vegetables.

needs also, and primarily, through the food she prepares. This leads us to observe that, in most multiethnic films centered around the building block of the family, culinary terms are often mentioned when clashes in values and identities are negotiated within mother-daughter conflicts (see 2.1.2.1 for further discussion on this issue). Indeed, the presence and preparation of food on the screen are primarily concerned with the role first-generation immigrant women play in the familial and social structure as conveyors of culinary traditions from one generation to another. As a fact, besieged by a way of life that is not their own, grandmothers and mothers are apprehensive of losing their children to forces they cannot control and thus attempt to bring them up according to their home traditions, represented from a material point of view by their traditional dishes. By passing the family recipes on across generations they are able to preserve elements of their indigenous culture that would otherwise be lost in the Western world they now live in, but the fulfilment of their ambitions in this sense is often complicated by their daughters' attitudes, as second- and third-generation immigrant women do not seem to be particularly interested in learning to cook their homeland specialties, as they are more concentrated on their Western life and rarely demonstrate such traditional forms of 'female competence' as preparing food as their mothers (Monti in press). This can be seen, in Bend It Like Beckham, when Mrs Bhamra reproaches her daughter Jess for bending their home sociocultural paradigms, thinking about her career in football instead of learning how to cook Indian food. Mrs Bhamra places food and cooking at the top of the list of her priorities: for her, any good Indian girl is automatically a wife-to-be to a good Indian man if she knows how to cook a perfect full-course North Indian meal; she often tells Jess, with a scornful tone, that when she was her age she was already married and she knew well how to cook Pakistani food such as dhal¹⁰, whereas Jess is obviously far from the Indian 'good girl' stereotype (102).

(102)

Mrs	I was married at your	Io ero già sposata	I was already married
Bhamra	age and you don't	alla tua età e tu	at your age and you
	even want to learn to	non vuoi imparare	don't even want to
	cook dhal!	a cucinare il dhal!	learn to cook dhal!

¹⁰ Dried beans.

In many scenes throughout the whole film, we see that Mrs Bhamra tries to make her British-based daughter imbibe as much as possible of her cultural-culinary values, always linguistically symbolized by the Punjabi names of some of the most renowned Indian specialties (103), but, in the end, Mrs Bhamra's efforts prove to be vain as Jess herself declares that she considers playing football more important than cooking Indian food (104).

(103)

Mrs	What family will	Quale famiglia	What family would
Bhamra	want a daughter-in-	vorrebbe una	want a daughter-in-
	law who can run	nuora che corre	law who runs around
	around kicking	tutto il giorno	kicking football all
	football all day but	appresso a un	day but can't cook
	can't make round	pallone ma che	chapati? Now that
	chapatis ¹¹ ? Now	non è capace di	you have finished the
	exams are over, I	cucinare le	exams, you will learn
	want you to learn	chapati? Adesso	to cook a full Punjabi
	full Punjabi dinner,	che hai finito gli	dinner, both meat and
	meat and vegetarian!	esami, imparerai a	vegetables!
		cucinare tutto un	
		pranzo Punjabi, sia	
		carne che verdura!	

(104)

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Jess		Tutte possono	Anyone can cook
	aloo gobi ¹² , but who	cucinare aloo	aloo gobi, but who
	can bend a ball like	gobi, ma chi tira in	can bend a ball like
	Beckham?	porta come	Beckham?
		Beckham?	

In (103), as in (8) and (101), we find another L3 term, i.e. *chapatis*, with the English inflectional morpheme for the plural, whereas in the Italian version it is a case of lexical borrowing from Hindi.

The role food plays as a crucial family-identity tool is to be clearly recognized also in *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* and *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* 2, where the Portokalos family, running a Greek restaurant in

¹¹ Indian flatbread, made of wheat flour, water, and salt.

Dry Indian and Pakistani cuisine dish made with aloo, potatoes, and gob(h)i, cauliflower, with Indian spices.

Chicago, is always humorously depicted as a food-obsessed clan. Indeed, the Portokaloses live in a sort of devotion to their Greek heritage that they make central to their lifestyle in constantly cooking Greek dishes and evoking them in their conversations. This can be seen, for instance, in My Big Fat Greek Wedding, when all the family members meet to celebrate Easter and Toula's father proudly enters the scene offering his guests magiritsa¹³, a Greek soup rendered in this case even more special having been cooked by Uncle Taki (105).

(105)

Gus	Taki magiritsa!	Taki magiritsa!	

In this film, the distinctiveness of Greek culinary traditions is significantly to be observed on the morning of Toula's wedding with Ian, when she is surrounded by her female family members, getting ready for the day (106).

(106)

Nicky	Hello ladies fresh	Buongiorno	Good morning
	baklava ¹⁴ !	signore baklava	ladies fresh
		fresca!	baklava!

In this scene, Toula holds a sweet diamond of baklava in her hand: this means that even though she is going to marry an American man, and therefore she is going to become American, her 'Greek-flavoured soul' is still to be, and will always be, 'tasted' in the food she eats.

In My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2, Greek food is recurrently incorporated into the image as a proper identity symbol: Toula's greatgrandmother, who has never really integrated in the Western world and rarely speaks throughout the whole film (as already observed in Chapter 2, section 2.2.1.), is often portrayed in the act of offering spanakopita¹⁵, as we can see when, during a party at the American high-school attended by her great-granddaughter Paris, she introduces herself uttering nothing else but the word "Spanakopita!" while giving out slices of this typical Greek pie, in order both to honour her Greek heritage and to impose it within an all-American context (107).

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¹³ A traditional Easter soup made with lamb offal and thickened with avgolemono. Endives and dill can be added.

14 A dessert made of thin pastry, nuts and honey.

¹⁵ **A** pie with spinach, feta cheese, onion, eggs and seasonings.

(107)

Mana-	Spanakopita!	Spanakopita!	
Yiayia			

In this film, food also serves to identify characters, as can be observed during the family meeting arranged to plan the wedding between Gus and Maria when Nikki complains about the *baklava* Mike's wife, Marianthi, usually prepares, thus negatively identifying the woman with her lack of culinary skills (108).

(108)

Nikki	Your baklava's	Il tuo <i>baklava</i> è	Your <i>baklava</i> 's dry.
	dry. Accept it.	asciutto. Accettalo.	Accept it.

Furthermore, Greek food functions as the perfect comfort food in emotionally difficult situations, as we can see when Toula tries to console her father, deeply sad after discovering that his marriage with Maria has never been officially recognized, and she offers him some *baklava* (109).

(109)

Toula	Oh dad I've just	Oh papà ho fatto	Oh dad I've
	made <i>baklava</i> , you	il <i>baklava</i> , ne vuoi	made <i>baklava</i> , you
	wanna a piece?	un pezzo? Baklava	wanna a piece?
	Chocolate baklava.	al cioccolato.	Chocolate baklava.

Also in *The Hundred-Foot Journey* cookery goes beyond mere nourishment, fostering a strong sense of family and group identity. Indeed, the members of the Kadam family constantly negotiate issues of identity, power and relationships by preparing and offering food imbued with their ethnicity, as Papa, the family father, considers Indian food as an important cultural capital, to be strenuously defended against what he sees as the negative 'otherness' represented by French cuisine. This is highlighted at the very beginning of the film when, upon the family arrival in Europe, Hassan is asked by a customs agent if he has any qualifications as a cook, he replies that he has no proof on paper but only on grease-proof paper and offers the customs agent a piece of *samosa*, considering it as his own identity card (110).

(110)

Customs	You have	Ha delle	Do you have
agent	qualifications?	qualifiche?	qualifications?
Hassan	Yes, my mother	Sì, ho imparato	Yes, I learnt from
	taught me.	da mia madre.	my mother.
Police	But no proof on	Ma nessuna carta	But no proof on
agent	paper?	che lo testimonia.	paper.
Hassan	Only grease-proof	No, solo carta da	No, only grease-
	paper. Samosa?	forno. Samosa?	proof paper.
Police	No, thank you.	No, grazie.	No, thank you.
agent			

The fact that Hassan says that he learnt to cook from his mother also leads us to observe that food, especially in multiethnic and immigrant communities, is often associated with memories (Monti in press): the act of cooking brings memories back to life and connects Hassan and his relatives both to the members of their family who still live on the other side of the world and to the spirits of those who are no longer with them but live on in every ingredient. This can be seen when Mr Kadam stands by the door of his newly opened restaurant in Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val, the *Maison Mumbai*, and tries to drag people in as they're passing by mentioning chicken *tikka*, a delicious Indian specialty that he considers as the visiting card of his restaurant (111).

(111)

Mr	This is a new	Questo è un nuovo	This is a new
Kadam	restaurant, we	ristorante, abbiamo	restaurant, we
	opened today. It's	aperto oggi. È un	opened today. It's
	an Indian	ristorante indiano.	an Indian
	restaurant. Great	Ottimo cibo. Pollo	restaurant.
	food. Chicken	tikka.	Excellent food.
	tikka ¹⁶ .		Chicken tikka.

Chicken *tikka* is further celebrated, throughout the film, as one of the most typical symbols of Indian culinary, and therefore sociocultural, traditions; this is underlined when Madame Mallory visits the *Maison Mumbai* for the

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¹⁶ Grilled chicken pieces in tomato puree sauteed with onions and other spices, and garnished with fresh green coriander.

first time, she asks what type of oven is in the yard and Mansur explains that it is a type of oven specifically designed to cook this famous Indian dish (112).

(112)

Madame	Mmm. What is	Mmm. Cos'è	Mmm. What is
Mallory	this?	questo?	this?
Mansur	It is an oven.	È un forno.	It is an oven.
Madame	Oven? It's not a	Forno? Non è una	Oven? It's not a
Mallory	drum? To play?	grancassa per	bass drum to
		suonare?	play?
Mansur	No. Tandoori oven	No. È il forno	No. It's tandoori
	for chicken tikka.	tandoori per il	oven for chicken
		pollo <i>tikka</i> .	tikka.

The fact that, with the opening of their *Maison Mumbai*, the Kadams want to recreate the environment they have left behind is also proved by their getting spices directly from India, which is for them a further means to keep their Indian identity alive: in this sense, every bite of the food they eat is like a bite of home, as Hassan says when talking to an Indian cook in Paris making explicit reference to the Indian spices' original names (113).

(113)

Hassan	Where did you get	Dove ha preso le	Where did you
	the spices?	spezie?	get the spices?
Indian	I have them send it	Me le faccio	I have them sent
cook	from home, from	mandare da casa,	from home, from
	India. You know,	dall'India. Lo sa,	India. You know,
	it's cheaper than a	costa meno di un	it's cheaper than a
	flight ticket.	biglietto aereo.	flight ticket.
Hassan	It's got amchur ¹⁷ .	C'è l'amchur.	It's got amchur.
Cook	Yes.	Si.	Yes.
Hassan	And <i>kala jeera</i> ¹⁸ .	E il kala jeera.	And kala jeera.
Cook	Yes. A little bit of	Si. E anche un po'	Yes. And also a
	garam masala ¹⁹	di garan masala.	little bit of garam
	also. Every bite	Ogni boccone ti	masala also.

¹⁷ Mango powder.

¹⁸ Black cumin.

¹⁹ Blend of ground spices.

takes you home.	riporta a casa.	Every bite takes
		you home.

Also in films set in cross-cultural environments that are typical tourist destinations as *My Life in Ruins*, *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* local food specialties wave as important ethnographic flags representative of the identity of the place as well as of its locals.

In My Life in Ruins, Greek food often takes centre stage as one of the main 'tasty' symbols of Greece, as we can see whenever tourists are offered such mouth-watering specialties of Greek cuisine as warm loukoumades²⁰ (114).

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Nico	Hello, beautiful	Salve, bellissima	Hello, beautiful
	people. I am Nico.	gente. Io sono	people. I am Nico.
	For you, warm	Nico. Eccovi delle	Here for you warm
	loukoumades.	loukoumades calde.	loukoumades.

In *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, Indian food is recurrently celebrated as one of the most representative icons of Indian culture, as can be observed when the British guests, in the Marigold hotel upper courtyard, look on with trepidation as another meal is laid before them: Evelyn lists the names of all the Indian specialties sumptuously displayed on the tables that allure the guests' senses also with their mysterious names, significantly left unaltered in the Italian version (115).

(115)

Evelyn	Sonny is	Anche Sonny	Also Sonny
	conducting his	contribuisce allo	contributes to
	own personal	stordimento dei	stunning our
	assault on our	nostri sensi	senses with the
	sense with the	bombardandoci con	flow of exotic
	flow of exotic	piatti esotici che	dishes that
	dishes he demands	escono magicamente	magically come
	daily from the	dalla cucina. Mooli	out from the
	kitchen. Mooli	Moong Dal.	kitchen. Mooli
	Moong Dal.	Baghara Baingan.	Moong Dal.

²⁰ Donuts.

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Baghara Baingan.	Banjari Gosht.	Baghara Baingan.
Banjari Gosht.	Paneer Methi	Banjari Gosht.
Paneer Methi	Chaman. Mutton	Paneer Methi
Chaman. Mutton	Vindaloo.	Chaman. Mutton
Vindaloo.		Vindaloo.

In (115), even though the guests have no idea of what most of these dishes consist of, it is clear that they are eager to taste them as tasting Indian food is for them like tasting Indian culture, it is a plunge into dishes that are 'exotic' also from the linguistic point of view and, just for this reason, have a highly evocative power.

3.2.5.2. Otherness served on a linguistic plate

What we've observed so far significantly illustrates how ethnic food acts as a crucial trope for the clash between European/American and non-European/American cultures in the multicultural films under study. This is especially to be noticed in *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, where food functions as the main vehicle for the expression of difference and 'otherness' as embodied by Toula Portokalos and her family. At the beginning, Toula recollects her childhood through food scenes, pointing out how she always felt different also in relation to her family's foodways (116).

(116)

Toula	When I was	Quando ero	When I was a child
((voice))	growing up I knew	piccola sapevo di	I knew I was
	I was different, the	essere diversa. Le	different. The other
	other girls were	altre bambine	girls were blond
	blond and delicate	erano biondine e	and delicate
	and I was a swarthy	delicate mentre	whereas I was a
	six-year-old with	io ero una	swarthy six-year-
	sideburns. I so	morettona di sei	old with sideburns.
	badly wanted to be	anni con i	I would have done
	like the popular	basettoni. Mi	everything to be
	girls, all sitting	sarei dannata per	like the popular
	together, talking	essere come le	girls, all sitting
	and eating their	ragazze ben	together, talking
	Wonder Bread	volute da tutti,	and eating their

	Sandwiches	che sedevano	Wonder Bread
		insieme a parlare	Sandwiches
		e a mangiare i	
		loro panini con il	
		pane a cassetta	
Little girl	What's that?	E quello cos'è?	And what's that?
Toula	Moussakà ²¹ .	Moussakà.	
Little girl	Mous-kaka??	Mous-kaka??	

In this scene, we see the young Toula at school, eating her lunch of *moussaka* at a table by herself while at the next table the popular American girls – white, blond, thin, pretty – are eating Wonder bread sandwiches, the all-American food: the girls make fun of Toula's lunch and one deliberately mispronounces it as "*mous-kaka*", where "*kaka*" is a child's word referring to crap, something that assigns negative connotations to Toula's 'different' food and implicitly to her.

The relevance of food as a symbol of otherness can also be noticed when the Portokaloses meet the parents of Toula's American husband-to-be, Rodney and Henriette Miller. The distance between the two cultures is particularly emphasized during the first dinner together at the Portokaloses: the Millers are continuously offered food such as *spanakopita*, typically served during social occasions but certainly not the most suitable one to guests who are the stereotypical WASP family, who look almost disgusted when presented with its greasy slices (117).

(117)

Voula to Ian's parents	Spanakopita! You're hungry?	Spanakopita! Avete fame?	Spanakopita! Are you hungry?
Rodney Miller	Thank you.	Grazie.	Thanks.

Immediately after this, the Millers are pushed upon countless shots of *ouzo*, a typical Greek liquor which soon intoxicates them (118).

²¹ An eggplant and/or potato-based dish popular in Balkan and Mediterranean cuisines, with many local and regional variations.

(118)

Woman	Rodney, Henriette,	Rodney, Henriette,	Rodney,
	ouzo?	ouzo?	Henriette, ouzo?
Rodney	Thank you. Oh, it's	Grazie. Oh, è	Thank you. Oh,
Miller	liquorice.	liquirizia.	it's liquorice.

Also in *My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2* the Greek characters' otherness is always highlighted by means of L3 references to Greek food, for instance when Costa, a third-generation Greek, mentions *spanakopita* declaring that the American spellcheck curiously changes it to *spina bifida*, thus underlining that Greek food is often considered, within American culture, as something 'different' in the negative sense of the term (119).

(119)

Costa	Oh no, spellcheck	Oh no, il correttore	Oh no, spellcheck
	corrected	ortografico ha	corrected
	spanakopita to	corretto	spanakopita to
	spina bifida.	spanakopita in	spina bifida.
		spina bifida.	

The negative associations assigned to Greek food and, implicitly, to Greek people, are further highlighted by Toula as she knows that her relatives are considered weird and eccentric by their American neighbours, who often identify the Portokaloses with their odd eating habits and, in particular, with the smell of *feta* cheese, as Toula sarcastically points out when talking to Marge (120).

(120)

Toula	No, I mean, what?	No, io voglio dire,	No, I mean, what?
10414	As in what is	cosa? Nel senso,	As in what's
	wrong with you?	cos'è che vi ha	wrong with you?
	You're standing on	preso? Vi trovate	You're standing
	our lawn making	sul mio vialetto a	on my alley
	fun of my family?	prendere in giro la	making fun of my
	Oh we're so weird,	mia famiglia? Oh	family? Oh we're
	oh we smell like	siamo così strani,	so weird, oh we
	burnt oregano and	oh puzziamo di	smell like burnt
	feta cheese.	origano bruciato e	oregano and a lot
		di tanta feta.	of feta cheese.

Greek culture is presented as opposed, and therefore inferior, to European and American culture through food images also in *My Life in Ruins*, especially at the beginning of the film when the European and American tourists arrive in Greece: when Georgia offers them some *souvlaki*²², they initially reject it preferring the "chicken fingers and French fries" served by an everything-but-Greek Hard Rock Café (121).

(121)

Georgia	It's souvlaki. It's	Sono souvlaki.	They are souvlaki.
	meat on a stick.	Spiedini di carne.	It's meat on a
			stick.
Nico	Hey, hey. Come to	Hey, hey. Venite	Hey, hey. Come to
	the Hard Rock	all'Hard Rock	the Hard Rock
	Café. It's very	Café. Tipico greco.	Café. Typically
	Greek.		Greek.
Gator	Yeah, Hard Rock!	Sì, Hard Rock! Io	Yeah, Hard Rock!
	Chicken fingers	vado, ho voglia di	I'm going, I fancy
	and French fries!	patatine.	French fries.
Georgia	No, no. I have	No, no. Ho preso i	No, no. I've got
	souvlaki, why	souvlaki, perchè	souvlaki, why do
	would you want to	volete andare in	you want to go to
	that	quel	that

In (121), American fast-food culture seems to win over traditional Greek culinary culture, though the reference to *souvlaki* is nevertheless given a particular emphasis as Georgia waves a stick of this specialty in her hand while pronouncing its name, thus visually and linguistically stressing its being an important mark of Greek ethnicity.

A similar rejection towards 'different' food is to be observed in *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, where Muriel's initial aversion to Indian food is particularly evident when, on the bus to the hotel at her arrival in India, she is offered by Douglas some Indian food that she refuses to eat because, as she herself explains, she does not understand its name, she considers it as something 'strange' also from the linguistic point of view and therefore as something disgusting that must be avoided (122).

(122)

Douglas	Would you like	Vuole assaggiarlo	Would you like to

²² A Greek dish of pieces of meat grilled on a skewer.

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	some of this? I	signora? Dovrebbe	taste it madame?
	believe it's <i>aloo ka</i>	chiamarsi aloo ka	It should be <i>aloo</i>
	paratha ²³ .	paratha.	ka paratha.
Muriel	If I can't	Non so neanche	I can't even
	pronounce it, I'm	pronunciare il	pronounce its
	not eating it.	nome, figuriamoci	name, let alone
		se lo mangio.	eat it.

Another film that extensively examines cultural and linguistic differences through food is *The Hundred-Foot Journey*. In one of the first scenes, Mr Kadam celebrates Indian cuisine as superior to French cuisine making a list of typical Indian dishes, all quoted with their original names, that the President of France could certainly never taste at the *Le Saule Pleureur*, Madame Mallory's restaurant, though this is one of the best French restaurants in the area (123).

(123)

	T	1	1
Mr	Is the President of	E il Presidente	And is the
Kadam	France able to	della Francia può	President of
	order murgh	ordinare un <i>murgh</i>	France able to
	masala ²⁴ , with	masala, con	order <i>murgh</i>
	cashew nuts and	anacardi e	masala, with
	cardamom? And ka	cardamomo? O un	cashew nuts and
	saag aloo ²⁵ ? Dhal?	ka saag aloo? O un	cardamom? Or a
	Our secret family	dhal? Con le spezie	ka saag aloo? Or
	spices?	segrete di famiglia?	a dhal? With our
			secret family
			spices?
Mansur	No, but they are a	No, ma è un	No, but it's a
	Michelin star	ristorante con una	restaurant with a
	restaurant, Papa.	stella Micheline,	Michelin star,
		Papa.	Papa.
Aisha	They have frogs'	Fanno zampe di	They have frogs'
	legs, escargot,	rana, escargot,	legs, escargot,

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²³ A breakfast dish originating from the Indian subcontinent that consists of unleavened dough stuffed with a mixture of mashed potato and spices, rolled out and cooked with butter or ghee, usually served with butter, chutney, curd or Indian pickles.

²⁴ Spicy, sweet, rich chicken curry.

²⁵ Potato dish.

	ratatouille	ratatouille	ratatouille	
Mr	Is the President	E il Presidente può	And is the	
Kadam	able to order	ordinare il capretto	President able to	
	tandoori goat?	tandoori? Come lo	order tandoori	
	Cooked the way	cucina Hassan?	goat? Cooked the	
	Hassan cooks?	Cosparso di spezie	way Hassan	
	Sprinkled with	tostate?	cooks? Sprinkled	
	roast spices?		with roast spices?	

3.2.5.3. Blending linguistic ingredients for cultural integration

According to what we have observed so far, ethnic food is recurrently used as a marker of cultural differentiation, but it is also used to reconcile the clash between two cultures, creating affective bonds across cultural and linguistic difference.

In My Big Fat Greek Wedding, a crucial event contributing to cultural and linguistic integration occurs at the end of the film when Toula's father gives a speech at the wedding reception and explains that the name "Miller" comes from the Greek word milo, which means "apple", and that the name "Portokalos" comes from the Greek word portokali, which means "orange" (124).

(124)

Gus	I was thinking last	Stavo pensando	I was thinking
Portokalos	night the night	ieri sera la sera	last night the
	before my	prima che mia	night before my
	daughter was	figlia si sposa con	daughter was
	going to marry Ian	Ian Miller che	going to marry
	Miller that the	insomma la	Ian Miller
	root of the word	radice della parola	that well the
	"Miller" is a	"Miller" è un	root of the word
	Greek word. And	parola greca. E	"Miller" is a
	"Miller" come	"Miller" viene	Greek word. And
	from the Greek	dalla parola greca	"Miller" comes
	word milo, which	<i>milo</i> , che significa	from the Greek
	is mean "apple".	"mela". Ed ecco	word milo, which
	There you go. As	qua. Come molti di	means "apple".
	many of you	voi sanno, il nostro	And there you go.
	know, our name	cognome	As many of you

Portokalos is come	Portokalos viene	know, our name
from the Greek	dalla parola greca	Portokalos comes
word <i>portokali</i> ,	portokali, che	from the Greek
which means	significa "arancia".	word <i>portokali</i> ,
"orange". So, okay	Dunque, allora, qui	which means
here tonight, we	stasera abbiamo	"orange". So,
have apple and	mela e arancia.	now, here tonight
orange. We all	Siamo tutti diversi	we have apple
different but, in	ma, alla fine,	and orange. We
the end, we all	siamo tutti frutta.	are all different
fruit.		but, in the end,
		we all fruit.

In (124), Gus not only gives voice to his never-ending obsession with Greek words but also, and primarily, assigns to Greek words a crucial symbolic meaning as, in saying that both his family and the Millers are all fruit, he means that, after all, they are all human beings belonging to the same social reality irrespective of their different ethnic and linguistic background.

In this film, a further proof of food symbolic power to dissolve intercultural and interlinguistic conflicts can be observed when Ian's mother, Henriette, during the wedding reception, states that she needs to drink some more ouzo – the Greek liquor she hated when she first tasted it – to get the courage to dance with her 'new' family (125).

(125)

Toula	Let's go dance	Ora si balla,	Let's go dance
	now, come on.	coraggio.	now, come on.
Henriette	Oh no no, I need	Oh no, ho bisogno	Oh no no, I need
	some more ouzo	di un altro po' di	some more ouzo
	before I do that.	ouzo prima di	before I go as far
		arrivare a quello.	as to do that.

Accepting to drink *ouzo*, and having incorporated the Greek term in her own vocabulary, Henriette implicitly accepts Toula as her daughter-in-law: she now proves to be willing to inject herself into another culture/language and therefore to taste other types of food, thus also establishing an emotional connection with the people representing such 'otherness'.

In *My Life in Ruins* Greek food acts as a symbol of acceptance of the otherness it initially represents when, in the concluding scene, the European and American tourists and the Greek people working within the Greek tourist industry gather for a farewell dinner. All types of Greek food are served and two American tourists express their appreciation for some delicious Greek specialties, the same specialties they rejected upon their arrival in Greece (126).

(126)

Big Al	Great buffet, Angie.	Magnifico buffet,	Great buffet,
	These baklavas are	Angie. Queste	Angie. These
	a riot.	<i>baklava</i> sono da	baklavas are a riot.
		urlo.	
Kim	I've got	Angie, io ho preso	Angie, I've got
	benecoupola ²⁶ and	un po' di	some benecoupola
	dolmadas ²⁷ and they	<i>benecoupola</i> e i	and the <i>dolmadas</i>
	look very good. Or,	dolmadas e sembra	and everything
	as they say in	tutto molto buono,	looks very good,
	Greek, kali kola.	o come dicono in	or, as they say in
		Grecia, kali kola.	Greek, kali kola.

In (126), the maintenance of the L3 terms is crucially significant as the tourists' appreciation of Greek food is strenghtened by their quoting the dishes' Greek names, thus demonstrating a linguistic skill they did not have at their arrival in Greece and that further proves their, also linguistic, integration into a 'different' world.

One of the films under study that most effectively highlights the function food has of blending both cultures and languages is *The Hundred-Foot Journey*, where French and Indian cultures and languages blend together through cooking: indeed, if food initially divides, then it definitely brings people together, uniting two seemingly unequivocally different cultural systems (Monti in press). The whole film is permeated with a sense of necessary compromises in sociocultural and linguistic values, as the food scenes, as well as the naming of food original names, set up and resolve clashes between the two worlds. Food acts as a powerful means of integration, for instance, when Marguerite asks Hassan what's his favourite dish to cook and he answers that it is *jalebi*, explaining the girl what this

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²⁶ Beef tenderloin.

²⁷ Stuffed grape leaves.

typical Indian food consists of and adding that it reminds him of his mother, thus stressing that food really represents cultural, and linguistic, memories of the heart (127).

(127)

Marguerite	What's your	That's your Qual è il piatto che	
	favourite dish to	ami cucinare?	you like to cook?
	cook?		
Hassan	Jalebi.	Lo jalebi.	Jalebi.
Marguerite	What is that?	E che cos'è?	And what's that?
Hassan	Fermented dal and	Dal fermentato e	Fermented dal
	flour, deep fried.	farina, tutto fritto.	and flour, deep
			fried.
Marguerite	Mmm	Mmm	Mmm
Hassan	The smell reminds	Il profumo mi fa	The smell
	me of my mother.	pensare a mia	reminds me of my
		madre.	mother.

In this film, the process of culinary, and therefore cultural/linguistic, integration is primarily carried on by Hassan, always adding Indian ingredients to French dishes, and it is definitely celebrated when some food critics write enthusiastic reviews of the culinary regeneration he has brought about, transforming French cuisine and creating unusual but tasty combinations with his introduction of Indian bold spices (128, 129).

(128)

Food	While it's only	Erano passati solo	It's only been a
critic 1	been a few months	pochi mesi dalla mia	few months since
	since my last visit,	ultima visita ma sono	my last visit but I
	I was pleasantly	rimasto	was pleasantly
	surprised by the	piacevolmente	surprised by the
	appearance of	sorpreso	appearance of
	coriander,	dall'apparizione di	coriander,
	fenugreek and	coriandolo, fieno	fenugreek and
	masala.	greco e masala.	masala.

(129)

Food	glutinous sauce	una salsa	a glutinous
critic 2	resonant of	gelatinosa con	sauce resonant of
	tandoori and this	sentori di tandoori	tandoori and that

was a surprising triumph	*	was a surprising triumph
	trionfo	

In (128) and (129) it is interesting to notice that the culinary combinations between Indian and French cuisine created by Hassan seem to find their linguistic counterparts, in both versions, in the vibrant lexical combinations created by the critics when they mention the original names of the Indian spices perfectly 'amalgamating' them in their English/Italian utterances.

Another film that extensively celebrates the intermingling of two cultures/languages as figuratively allowed by food is *The Mistress of Spices*. Here the Indian spices act as the main protagonists, symbolizing tradition and identity, endowed with the power to heal and to harm, to please and to punish, to create and to destroy and even to reorganize the world order while constantly supporting their Mistress Tilo, significantly named after the spice of nourishment, as she herself explains (130).

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(130)			
Tilo	The spices are my	Le spezie sono il	The spices are my
	love. [] I am	mio grande amore.	great love. [] I
	named Tilo, after	[] Io mi chiamo	am named Tilo, in
	the sesame seeds,	Tilo, nella mia	my language it
	the spice of	lingua vuol dire	means sesame
	nourishment.	semi di sesamo, la	seeds, the spice of
		spezia del	nourishment.
		nutrimento.	

As Tilo 'is' the spice of nourishment, she 'feeds' her Indian and American customers' needs with the help of the magical powers of the spices, thus also bridging the gap between the complex culinary science of India and the American fast-food consumption culture. In this film the spices rest upon Tilo's shop shelves as dull objects but come to life and act as proper characters, with the potential to influence the course of events, once Tilo 'awakens' them, addressing them by their original Indian names and explaining their mystical properties to her customers. So, when Tilo talks to Haroun, we get to know that *brahmi* is an herb used to calm one's nerves (131),

(131)

Tilo	He was nervous	Quel giorno era	He was nervous
	that day so I just	nervoso così gli ho	that day so I gave
	gave him some	dato foglie di	him some brahmi
	brahmi leaves to	<i>brahmi</i> da	leaves to chaw.
	chaw.	masticare.	

that dashmool improves one's memory (132),

(132)

Haroun	Yeah, but for the	Sì, ma per la prima	Yeah, but for the
	first time he	volta si è ricordato	first time he
	remembered the	il Giuramento alla	remembered the
	Swearing to the	Bandiera,	Swearing to the
	Flag, in English.	addirittura in	Flag, even in
		inglese.	English.
Tilo	It wasn't me, it was	Non sono stata io,	It wasn't me, it
	the dashmool, the	è stato il <i>dashmool</i> ,	was the dashmool,
	herb of ten roots.	l'erba dalle dieci	the herb of ten
		radici.	roots.

that *chandan* is used to help someone forget the pain caused by sad memories (133),

(133)

Tilo	Chandan, the	Chandan, la	Chandan, the
((voice))	powder of the	polvere	powder of the
	sandalwood tree,	dell'albero di	sandalwood tree,
	that relieves the	sandalo, che	which relieves the
	pain of	allevia il dolore	pain of bad
	remembering.	dei brutti ricordi.	memories.

and that *kalo jire* protects against evil eye (134).

(134)

Tilo	What does Haroun	Di cosa ha bisogno	What does
((voice))	need? Kalo jire,	Haroun? Kalo jire,	Haroun need?
	black cumin seeds,	semi neri di	Kalo jire, black
	protection against	cumino, protezione	cumin seeds,

the evil eye. Thank	dall'occhio	protection against
you, spices.	malvagio. Grazie,	the evil eye.
	spezie.	Thank you,
		spices.

Tilo also often teaches her customers some typical Indian recipes that are said to be aphrodisiacs, such as coconut *korma* (135),

(135)

Tilo	You're cooking	Cucini ancora per	Are you cooking
	for her again?	lei?	for her again?
Kwesi	She loved the	È impazzita per il	She went crazy
	coconut korma.	korma al cocco.	for the coconut
			korma.
Tilo	There's nothing	Non c'è niente	There's nothing
((voice))	like its delicate	come la sua carne	like its delicate
	flesh to unite two	delicata per unire	flesh to unite two
	hearts.	due cuori.	hearts.

and baingan bharta (136).

(136)

Tilo to	[] You should	[] Dovresti	[] You should
Kwesi	try the baingan	provare la <i>baingan</i>	try the <i>baingan</i>
	bharta. You grill	bharta. Arrostisci la	bharta. You grill
	the eggplant over a	melanzana su una	the eggplant over
	flame, sculpt the	fiamma, tiri fuori la	a flame, sculpt the
	inside out and then	polpa e poi la friggi	inside out and
	fry it with ten	con dieci spicchi	then fry it with ten
	cloves of garlic,	d'aglio, semi di	cloves of garlic,
	cumin seeds, little	cumino, cipolline	cumin seeds, little
	red onions and	rosse e pomodori. E	red onions and
	tomatoes. And you	una spolverata di	tomatoes. And
	sprinkle it with	foglie di	you sprinkle it
	coriander leaves.	coriandolo.	with coriander
	((voice)) To feed	((voice)) Per tenere	leaves. ((voice))
	your passion	viva la passione per	To feed your
	through the night.	tutta la notte.	passion through
			the night.

She explains the positive effects $paan^{28}$ and $supart^{29}$ can have for couples (137),

(137)

Tilo to	I have got	Ho una cosa che fa	I have got
Kwesi	something for you	per te oggi. <i>Paan</i> ,	something for you
	today. Paan, a must	indispensabile alla	today. Paan, a
	at the end of every	fine di ogni pasto	must at the end of
	couple's meal.	di una coppia.	every couple's
	What else here	Dunque ci	meal. Now we
	is sticks of supari	mettiamo,	put look
	for intoxication	guarda	sticks of <i>supari</i>
		bastoncini di supari	for intoxication
		per l'ebbrezza	

and she gives *garan masala* to sad and depressed hearts to give them hope again (138).

(138)

Tilo	I'll give her a	Le darò una	I'll give her a
((voice))	special blend of	miscela speciale di	special blend of
	garan masala, for	garan masala, per	garan masala, for
	hope.	la speranza.	hope.

Things change when Tilo falls in love with Doug, an American architect; indeed, as the spices represent tradition, and tradition is resistant to change, the spices put up resistance when Tilo seems to choose Doug over them. They thus refuse to tell Tilo what Doug's spice is when she asks them for advice, addressing them directly with their names as if they were real persons, as she first talks to the man in her shop (139).

(139)

Tilo	Everyone has a	Ognuno ha una sua	Everyone has a
	spice.	spezia.	spice.
Doug	Really? I've got a	Davvero? Ne ho	Really? I've got a
	spice too? And	una anch'io? E qual	spice too? And
	which one is mine?	è la mia?	which one is mine?

 $^{^{28}}$ A preparation combining betel leaf with areca nut and sometimes also with tobacco, chewed for its stimulant and psychoactive effects.

²⁹ Areca nut.

Tilo	If you wait here a	Beh, se aspetta un	Well, if you wait
	minute, I'll just go	attimo la vado a	here a minute, I'll
	find yours.	cercare. ((voice))	just go and search
	((voice)) Spices,	Spezie, parlatemi.	for it. ((voice))
	speak to me. What	Di che cosa ha	Spices, speak to
	does he need? Is it	bisogno? Semi di	me. What does he
	Methi seeds for	Methi per la forza?	need? Is it Methi
	strength? Ajwain	Semi di Ajwain per	seeds for strength?
	for confidence?	la sicurezza in se	Ajwain seeds for
	Fennel for	stesso? Finocchio	self-confidence?
	perseverance? Why	per la	Fennel for
	I cannot see? []	perseveranza?	perseverance?
	Asafetida the	Perché non riesco a	Why I cannot see?
	antidote to love.	vedere? []	[] Asafetida, the
	You can't be his	Asafetida,	antidote to love.
	spice.	l'antidoto	You can't be his
		all'amore. Non	spice.
		puoi essere tu la	
		sua spezia.	

Without any help from the spices, Tilo gives Doug an herb, *tulsi*, which she knows has the only power to remind him to go back to her (140),

(140)

Tilo	I'm all out of	Io avrei finito la sua	I'm all out of
	your spice but	spezia però aspetti	your spice but
	I have something	qui ho qualcosa per	wait here I
	for you.	lei	have something
			for you.
Doug	What is it?	Che cos'è?	What's it?
Tilo	This is tulsi,	Questo è tulsi,	This is tulsi,
	holy basil.	basilico santo.	holy basil.
Doug	What's for?	A che serve?	What's for?
Tilo	Drink it like tea.	Lo prepari come il	You prepare it
	And that's on the	tè. Glielo offre la	like tea. That's on
	house.	casa.	the house.
Tilo	Tulsi, for	Tulsi, per ricordare.	Tulsi, for
((voice))	remembering.	Ricordarsi di tornare.	remembering.

Remember to	Remember to
come back.	come back.

though aware that if only she could use another special spice, *prishniparni* (something that is instead forbidden as she cannot exploit the power of the spices to her own ends), she would certainly have him back (141).

(141)

Tilo	It would be so	Sarebbe così facile,	It would be so
((voice))	easy, just once, to	per una sola volta,	easy, just once, to
	use the spices for	usare le spezie per	use the spices for
	myself. Mushed	me stessa.	myself. Mushed
	Prishniparni,	Prishniparni	Prishniparni,
	burnt with loto's	schiacciata, bruciata	burnt with loto's
	roots in the	con radici di loto la	roots in the
	evening, would	sera, lo farebbero	evening, would
	make him come	tornare da me.	make him come
	back to me.		back to me.

The fact that the original names of the spices are always preserved unaltered in both versions of the film underlines that Tilo's Spice Bazaar is metaphoric of the Indian presence in the world: the spices and their names become the Indian means of creating a multicultural and multilingual world within which the boundaries between cultures and languages are blurred and ethnic differences are dissolved.

The healing power assigned to food is also sometimes ascribed to specific types of drink used in traditional local medicine. In *The Mistress of Spices*, when Doug goes back to Tilo after his mother's death, she offers him some *nimbu pani*, a drink traditionally used to calm one's nerves and relieve sufferings (142),

(142)

Tilo to	I'll give you a	Ti porto un <i>nimbu</i>	I'll bring you a
Doug	nimbu pani, a	<i>pani</i> , una bibita al	nimbu pani, a
	lime soda. It'll	lime. Ti calmerà i	lime soda. It'll
	cool you down.	nervi.	cool you down.

whereas in *Eat Pray Love*, when Liz is in Bali, she is offered by Wayan some *jamu* (a term derived from two ancient Javanese words, *djampi*, meaning "healing someone using herbs or prayers and spells", and *oesodo*, meaning "health"), an Indonesian medicine made from parts of plants like roots, barks, flowers, seeds, leaves and fruits and commonly used by herbal practitioners as a form of therapy to maintain good health and to treat diseases (143).

(143)

Wayan	Jamu. Drink this.	Jamu. Bevi. Meglio	Jamu. Drink this.
	Better than	che antibiotico.	Better than
	antibiotic.		antibiotic.

As excerpts (142) and (143) show, the original names themselves of these types of drinks seem to be endowed with magical properties and allow the audience to further taste the films' exotic flavour.

3.2.5.4. Food in intercultural and interlingual relationships

The therapeutic potential ethnic food is bestowed with leads us to point out another interesting aspect as far the presence and rendering of L3 food references in our corpus of films are concerned. Indeed, in many of the films under study, ethnic specialties and their original names are also seen as perfect vehicles for emotional manifestations, as feelings are often kneaded into food and intercultural passions find shape in tasting food typically belonging to the partner's culinary traditions.

This can be observed, for instance, in *Ae Fond Kiss* when Casim offers Roisin some *glab jamin*, a popular dessert in India and Pakistan³⁰, in the attempt to assimilate the girl into his own cultural heritage teaching her something of his own foodways also from the linguistic point of view (144).

(144)

Casim	Here you go, Miss	Ecco a lei, signorina	Here you go, miss	
	Hanlon.	professoressa.	professor.	
Roisin	Ooh, lovely!	Oh, che bello!	Oh, how lovely!	
Casim	Glab jamin and ice	Glab jamin con il	Glab jamin with	

 $^{^{30}}$ Also known as "waffle balls", it is made of dough, often including double cream and a little flour in a sugar syrup flavored with cardamom, rosewater or saffron.

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	cream.	gelato.	ice cream.
Roisin	Glab jammin.	Glab jami?	
Casim	No, glab jamin and	No, si dice glab	No, you say glab
	ice cream.	jamin con gelato.	jamin with ice
			cream.
Roisin	Jamin, thanks very	Grazie, ma che	Thanks, but what
	much. What is it?	cos'è?	is it?
Casim	Glab jamin and ice	Glab jamin con il	Glab jamin with
	cream.	gelato.	ice cream.

Similarly, in *Eat Pray Love*, when Felipe and Liz are at Bali local market, he offers her *rambutan*, fruits from Southeastern Asia similar to lychees (145).

(145)

Felipe	These are	Questi sono	These are
	rambutan. They're	rambutan. Una	rambutan. They're
	delicious. It's like	delizia. È come se	delicious. It's like
	an orange made	un'arancia avesse	an orange made
	love to a plum.	fatto l'amore con	love to a plum.
	Would you like	una prugna. Li vuoi	Would you like to
	some?	assaggiare?	taste them?

As these exotic fruits are unknown in the Western countries and Liz has never heard their name, Felipe tries to explain how they taste using a simile that has amorous connotations, thus projecting on food the love expectations he has of the woman.

Considering all the instances of food naming discussed above, we could say that the recurrent mentioning the original L3 names of ethnic dishes further ascribes identity to the ethnic and immigrant characters, reinforcing, also from the linguistic point of view, the strong connection between belonging to a specific ethnic group and consuming a certain type of food that is highly representative of one's own sociocultural, and linguistic, heritage.

3.3. The loss of ethnolinguistic visibility: dubbing intrasentential codeswitching

Notwithstanding the prevailing tendency to retain the L3 culture-bound references in both versions of the films under investigation, as observed in the previous sections, the contrastive analysis of the original dialogues and of the Italian dubbed dialogues highlights that, in a few cases, the L3 culture-specific terms to be found in the instances of intrasentential code-switching in the original dialogues are rendered in dub in the Italian dubbed version, according to different domesticating strategies (covering 22% of the total occurrences).

One exception to the general foreignizing tendency in the rendering of cultural specifics is to be observed in *Ae Fond Kiss* (2 items; 146) and *Bend It Like Beckham* (5 items; 147-150), where the Punjabi culture-specific term *gora/goree*, used by the Pakistani characters to refer to fair-skinned Western people, is always translated in the Italian version with either adjectives like *bianco/a* ("white") in (146-149) and *bionda* ("blond") in (147) or derogatory terms like *stronza* ("bitch") in (150).

(146)

Mr Khan	Listen, don't let a	Ascolta, non lasciare	Don't let a white
to Casim	cheap goree come	che una bianca si	woman come
	between us. []	metta tra noi.	between us.

(147)

Indian	Hey!	Who's	that	Ehi!	Chi	è la	bionda	Hey!	Who	is	the
girl	goree	watching	her?	che l	a sta	guar	dando?	blond	tha	at	is
								watch	ing he	r?	

(148)

Mr	[] But when I	[] Ma quando	But when I arrived
Bhamra	came to this country	arrivai in Inghilterra,	to England,
to Joe	nothing. I was not	niente. Non mi fu	nothing. I was not
	allowed to play in	permesso di giocare	allowed to play in
	any of the teams and	in nessuna squadra. I	any of the teams.
	these bloody goras	maledetti bianchi dei	The bloody goras
	in their clubhouses	circoli sportivi mi	in their clubhouses
	made fun of my	sfottevano per il mio	made fun of my
	turban and sent me	turbante e mi	turban and sent me

		off packing!	cacciarono via.	off packing.
(149)				
Jess	to	Pinks, do you think	Pinky, secondo te	Pinky, do you
Pinky		mum and dad would	mamma e papà mi	think mum and
		still speak to me if I	perdonerebbero se	dad would forgive
		ever brought home a	sposassi un bianco?	me if I ever
		gora?		married a gora?
(150)				
Pinky	to	What the bleeding	Si può sapere che	Is it possible to
Jess		hell's going on, eh?	cavolo succede? Eh?	know what the
		What's that gora	Perché quella stronza	hell's going on,
		going on about you	dice che sei lesbica?	eh? Why does
		being a lesbo? I	Ma non ti piaceva	that gora tell that

In (146-150) the lexical choices to be observed in the Italian dubbed version, as far as the rendering of the term *gora/goree* is concerned, emphasize the negative connotations the word is originally embedded with but cause the loss of its racial connotations, something that is instead crucial in films revolving around racial conflicts (see Bonsignori, Bruti 2008).

thought you fancied l'allenatore?

your coach!

A different translation of the term *goree* is to be recognized in *Ae Fond Kiss* when it is used by Hammid (151).

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Hammid	She's a nobody	È niente in confronto	She is nothing
	compared to your	alla tua famiglia,	compared to your
	family, right? Your	okay? La famiglia	family, ok? The
	family back home.	che ti aspetta a casa.	family that waits
	You've got a	C'è una moschea	for you at home.
	mosque right there.	proprio laggiù. Senti,	There's a mosque
	Listen, you're	sei davvero stupido	just over there.
	being stupid if you	se pensi solo per un	Listen, you are
	think for one	minuto che loro	really stupid if you

you are a lesbo?

fancy your coach?

didn't vou

But

minute everyone's	possano capire.	think just for one
going to	Nessuno potrà	minute that they
understand. No	capirti. Per loro lei	could understand.
one's going to	resta un'occidentale,	Nobody is going to
understand. As far	una ragazza bianca,	understand you.
as anyone's	ecco cos'è. Non è	For them she
concerned, she's a	musulmana.	remains a
goree, she's a		westerner, a white
white girl, that's it.		girl, that's what she
She's not a		is. She's not a
Muslim.		Muslim.

In (151) Hammid's metaphorical intrasentential code-switching from English to Punjabi when quoting the term *goree* underlines the pressure the Indian subcontinent continues to exert on him even though he is perfectly integrated in the Glaswegian society, and this is a crucial aspect related to the character's portrayal that is lost in the Italian version, where the term *goree* is translated with the Italian noun phrase *un'occidentale* ("a Westerner"), conveying the same expressive meaning in pointing out the opposition East vs West but depriving the target version of the sociocultural connotations the use of the original term entails.

Another loss of important ethnolinguistic implications in the Italian dub of L3 culture-bound references can be observed when affectionate term of address are at stake; indeed, in a few cases (12 items), they are rendered in Italian with their referential equivalents that, though implying the same expressive connotations, do not exert the same emotional impact exerted by the use of the L3 terms in the films' original version. This is to be observed in particular in *Bend It Like Beckham*, *East Is East*, *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, *Real Women Have Curves*.

The term of address *putar* is used in both *Bend It Like Beckham* and *East Is East* and it is rendered in different ways in their Italian dubbed version; in *Bend It Like Beckham*, where it is mostly preserved unaltered in Italian (see excerpt 32), it is translated in (152) as *figliola* ("my daughter") and in (153) as *figliolo* ("my son"), according to the character it refers to,

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Mr	Don't play with	Non buttare via il tuo	Don't throw away

Bhamra	your future, putar.	futuro, figliola.	your future, child.
to Jess			

(153)

Mr	Of course, putar!	Ma certo, figliolo.	But of course, child.
Bhamra		Sono molto contento.	I'm very happy.
to Tony			

whereas in *East Is East* it is omitted when used by George Khan in addressing his son Saj (154).

(154)

George	See, <i>putar</i> ? This is	Guarda qui. Questo	Look here. This
to Saj	very special watch. It	orologio molto	watch very
	tell you time in	speciale. Dice ora in	special. Tells time
	Arabic!	arabo!	in Arabic!

A similar loss of affectionate connotations in dubbing an L3 address form can be recognized when the term *auntyji* is standardized as *zia* ("aunt"), in the Italian dubbed version of *East Is East* (155),

(155)

Relative	Auntyji,	you're	Zia,	ogni	volta	Aunt, you a	are more
to Ella	looking	more	che ti	vedo	sei più	beautiful	every
	beautiful	every	bella.			time I see y	ou.
	time I see y	ou.					

as well as when, in *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, the Greek forms of address *thia* and *thio*, mostly maintained unaltered in the Italian dubbed version of *My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2* (see excerps 47-49) are rendered with their standard Italian equivalent *zia* ("aunt") in (156-158) and *zio* ("uncle") in (156), something that confirms the already observed tendency towards foreignization in films released in more recent years.

(156)

Toula to	[] You could be	[] Staresti di più	[] You would
Voula	with thio more,	con lo zio, ti	stay more with
	and you could	prenderesti una	uncle, you could
	take a vacation. I	vacanza. Te la	take a vacation. I

could book it for	prenoterei io. Ma	could book it for
you. But, thia,	zia, mi assumeresti?	you. But, aunt,
would you hire		would you hire
me?		me?

(157)

Toula	Okay. Thia	Bene. Zia Voula?	Okay. Aunt Voula?
	Voula?		
Voula	Oh	Oh	Oh
Toula	Thia Voula?	Zia Voula?	Aunt Voula?
Voula	Yes? When you	Sì? Quando vieni a	Yes? When do you
	come to my house	casa mia e io	come to my house
	and I cook for	cucino per te?	and I cook for you?
	you?		
Ian	Okay.	Presto.	Soon.
Toula	Thia, that might	Oh, potrebbe	Oh, there might be
	be a problem.	esserci un	a problem.
		problema.	

(158)

Toula	Thia Voula, we're	Zia Voula, adesso	Aunt Voula, now
	going to dance!	si balla!	we're going to
			dance!

Address forms for family members are likewise dubbed in the Italian version of *Real Women Have Curves*, where such affectionate terms of address as *mija*, i.e. "my daughter", used by Mrs García to address Ana (3 occurrences; 159-161), and *amá*, i.e. "mum", used by both Ana and Estela to address their mother (7 occurrences; 162-165) in different conversational contexts are rendered, respectively, as *figlia mia* ("my daughter") and *mamma* ("mum"), losing the emotional connotations the use of the we-code within family interactions originally entails.

(159)

<u> </u>			
Mrs	Mija, I'm really	Figlia mia, sono	My daughter, I'm
García to	sick.	molto malata.	really sick.
Ana			

(160)

Mrs	Mija, I woke up	Figlia mia, mi sono	My daughter, I
García to	in the middle of	svegliata nel cuore	woke up in the
Ana	the night, soaking	della notte	middle of the night,
	wet. It was like I	completamente	soaking wet. It was
	was on fire.	fradicia. Come se	like I had fire.
		avessi il fuoco.	
(161)			
Mrs	Ana, I need you	Ana, adesso ho	Ana, I really need
García to	more than ever,	davvero bisogno di	you more than ever,
Ana	mija.	te più che mai, figlia	my daughter.
		mia.	
(1.60)			
(162)		1	14 • 1
Estela	Ana's here, amá.	Ana è qui, mamma.	Ana is here, mum.
(163)			
Estela	No more stories,	Basta storie,	No more stories,
	amá.	mamma.	mum.
(164)			
Estela	<i>Amá</i> , are you	Mamma, stai	Mum, are you
	doing your work?	facendo il tuo	doing your duty?
		dovere?	
(165)			•
Ana	Amá, come on,	Mamma, avanti,	Mum, come on,
	let's go.	andiamo.	let's go.

Similarly, in *The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* the affectionate term of address *beta*. i.e. "son", used by Mrs Kapoor to address his son Sonny, is replaced with a pragmatic equivalent *tesoro* ("honey") (166),

(166)

Sonny's	Hello, beta.	Buongiorno, tesoro.	Good morning,
mother to			honey.
Sonny			-

and, in *Gran Torino*, the Spanish diminutive *chinito*, i.e. "little Chinese boy", used with derogatory intentions by a Mexican guy addressing Thao, is translated as *femminuccia* ("sissy") (167).

(167)

Man of the Mexican	3 /	Hei, femminuccia, hei se fossi la mia	Hey, sissy, hey if you were my
gang	were my baby	ragazza	girlfriend

Also L3 interjections, exclamations and formulaic expressions used in instances of unmarked, situation-related intrasentential code-switching are sometimes dubbed (14 items), especially when the characters utter them rapidly and with a low tone of voice as well as when they do not add significant elements either to the speaker's characterization or to the conversational context. This can be observed, for instance, in *The Hundred-Foot Journey*, where the Hindi interjection *chalo*, i.e. "let's go, come on" (5 occurrences) is neither borrowed nor translated with an equivalent in the Italian dubbed version (168, 169).

(168)

Mrs	No more	playing,	Basta	giocare,	forza,	Stop	playing,	come
Kadam	okay?	C'mon,	a letto	, dai.		one,	bedtime,	come
	bedtime, c	halo.				on.		

(169)

Madame	This is private	Questa è	proprietà This is	s private
Mallory	property.	privata.	property.	
Hassan	Okay, papa, chalo,	Okay,	<i>papa</i> , Okay, dad	l, let's go.
	let's go.	andiamo.		

In this film, another interjection adopted by the Indian characters in the film's original version but standardized in Italian is *arrey*, i.e. "dude; what's the hell; for Heaven's sake" (8 occurrences), commonly used to express surprise, anger or frustration/exasperation, therefore entailing a pragmatic force completely lost in the Italian version where it is omitted (170, 171).

(170)

Mr	Arrey, try one each	Provatene uno e d	ate Try one	and give a
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Kadam	and	give	a	mark	un	voto	da	uno	amark out of ten.
	out of ten.			dieci.					

(171)

Hassan	You need	to go	Piano,	rallenta, Slow, slow down,
	slower.	Papa,	rallenta.	Papa!slow down. Papa!
	arrey!	Do	Rallenta!	Slow down!
	something!			

Likewise, the Hindi interjection *jaldi karo*, i.e. "hurry up" (1 occurrence), used by Mr Kadam when spurring his children to work as much as possible for the opening of their Indian restaurant, is translated with its Italian equivalent (172).

(172)

Mr	Hassan, jaldi karo,	Hassan, fa presto, c'è	Hassan, hı	ırry up,
Kadam	there's a lot to be	tanto da fare.	there's a lot	to do.
	done.			

An interesting case of cultural substitution and manipulation in translation is instead to be recognized in *My Life in Ruins* (173).

(173)

Irv	I bless you in the	Ti benedico nel	I bless you in the
11 1	ı	nome di Socrate, di	_
		· ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Hippocrates and	Ippocrate e di	Hippocrates and
	feta cheese.	Fallocrate.	Fallocrate.

In (173) the expression *feta cheese*, referring to the well-known Greek cheese, is replaced, in the Italian dubbed version, by the term "Fallocrate", rhyming with "Socrate" and "Ippocrate" and acting, in the filmic context, as the supposed name of a third philosopher (non-existent in Italian philosophy). The Italian lexeme, generally used in a jocular way and referring to a male chauvinist, recreates the same humorous effect of the original lines though deleting the crucial reference to Greek food, which is instead also linguistically celebrated in the original version where its importance is equalled to the importance of two famous Greek philosophers.

Drawing some provisional conclusions from the empiric comparative analysis of the original version and the Italian dubbed version of the films under study with regard to third culture references made by means of intra-sentential code-switching, we can observe that the prevailing tendency is to leave them unaltered in the target version, thus retaining their original local colour and creating a specific trans-ethnic common ground that both the source language audience and the target language audience are made aware of.

CONCLUSIONS

multilingualism The increasingly pervasive characterizing contemporary multicultural societies proves to be an outstanding presence in contemporary European and American multicultural cinema, whose fictional multiethnic worlds mirror real-life European and American multiethnic communities and capture the centrality of their multilingual discourse practices. Indeed, in polyglot films where the linguistic otherness distinctive of cross-cultural encounters and interactions represents a crucial element, multilingualism does not merely function as an ornament, it is not simply a device to mark location or nationality but a central narrative component and a major vehicle for both plot development and character portrayal. In particular, films shot in two or more languages set in multicultural environments and involving a pervasive use of third languages or L3s (Corrius, Zabalbeascoa 2014), i.e. languages spoken by characters whose mother tongue is different from the film's base language, extensively use code-switching as a dynamic conversational strategy to structure and negotiate identity in interaction as well as to (re)construct and (re)negotiate identities and roles in interpersonal relations, considering it as a boundary-levelling or boundary-maintaining linguistic means that also crucially contributes to define in-group and out-group membership, especially when used within immigrant contexts.

diversification distinctive The of linguistic contemporary multicultural audiovisual products, though denoting positive aims as far as the credibility of filmic dialogues is concerned, is often seen as a problematic issue in terms of its rendering when the films at stake are distributed in other countries, as the crucial sociocultural ethnolinguistic connotations it suggests, and that should be rendered as fully as possible in a target version, are often lost in the dubbing process. It is therefore interesting to focus the attention on how the presence of third languages, in instances of turn-specific, intersentential and intrasentential code-switching, is dealt with in contemporary intercultural films faithfully portraying real intercultural contexts where language alternation practices stand out as key conversational procedures, and to examine how the third languages to be found in the films' original version are rendered in the films' Italian dubbed version, verifying the extent to which the L3s are conveyed to the target language audience. To reach these goals, sixteen European and American contemporary multilingual and multicultural films, whose dialogues are permeated with language alternation practices, have been selected and an empirical comparative diachronic analysis of the ways in which the L3s are used in their original version and rendered in their Italian dubbed version has been carried out, revealing many interesting aspects from both a sociolinguistic and a translational perspective.

One important sociolinguistic aspect our study highlights is that code-switching is mainly used, in the films' original version, to reflect various nuances of identity in multilayered situational contexts within multiracial, multilingual communities, showing how sociohistorical context is strictly tied to the use of language in social interaction (Bucholtz, Hall 2005). Be it turn-specific, intersentential or intersentential, code-switching results to be the communicative strategy most capable of conveying the foreign/immigrant characters' essence, as the speakers involved in multilingual interactions "index polyphonous identities through their use of the language" (Barrett 1999: 318) and become crucial channels of sociocultural recollections.

From a translational point of view, a key feature that emerges from the through comparative examination of the films' original version and of their Italian dubbed version pertains to the fact that, whereas in the films' original versions the L3 used in instances of turn-specific, intersentential and intrasentential code-switching always prevails in the spoken exchanges, in the films' Italian dubbed version different transfer modes are adopted for the instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching, on the one hand, and for the instances of intrasentential code-switching, on the other hand.

With regard to the L3 used in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching, 32% of the total 567 occurrences to be recognized in our corpus of films is dubbed into the L2 by means of both domestication (26%) and explicitation in translation (6%), whereas in a very few cases (1%) the L3 is omitted and not replaced with the L2. Such loss proves to be particularly severe when the representation of immigrant communities is at stake as, in dubbing, the immigrant culture is made invisible in the language of translation, which fails both to reflect the moral values and sociocultural attitudes of the migrant characters and to reproduce the, also linguistic, hybridity of their experience in the host society as expressed by their recurrent switching between they-code and we-code. Evidence of this is extensively provided by our study, which shows how it is in particular in three films released between 1999 and 2004

and revolving around the lives of immigrant families (i.e. Real Women Have Curves, Bend It Like Beckham, Ae Fond Kiss) that the prevailing tendency to be observed in the Italian dubbed version with regard to the rendering of the L3s is either to dub the L3/we-code into standard spoken L2 through a process of domestication, explicitation and sociocultural adaptation, or to omit it, with the result being a "linguistic whitewashing of originally bright colors into various shades of grey" (Whitman-Linsen 1996: 118), "a sacrifice of realism for the sake of comprehension" (Bleichenbacher 2008: 55). Indeed, the Italian dialogues, in homogenizing multilingual speech patterns and erasing the visibility of the L3, obscure the role code-switching plays as a tool to give voice to immigrant families' internal structures and cross-cultural relationships, leading the defining sociocultural and ethnolinguistic features of the original films to be diluted to the point of neutralization, flattening out the identity of the characters and depriving the target audience of the emotional impact the use of codeswitching entails.

But the empirical comparative examination of the original version and the Italian dubbed version of the films making up our corpus reveals that other transfer modes are adopted, besides and more extensively than dubbing, for the rendering of L3s in instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching in the films' Italian dubbed version, preserving the L3 at the spoken level and safeguarding the linguistic interplay always brought to the fore in the films' original version.

Among these procedures, open interlingual subtitles cover 16% of the total occurrences of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching and guarantee a satisfactory representation of the films' ethnolinguistic background; indeed, hearing the real voices of the foreign/immigrant characters gives vital clues to the definition of their sociolinguistic identity (Snell-Hornby 1998) and the presence of open interlingual subtitles proves to be an undeniable aid to comprehension, enabling the target viewers to get more deeply involved in the filmic context and satisfying their expectations concerning 'other' societies, cultures and languages.

If open interlingual subtitles allow the target audience to savour the original films' linguistic foreignness, this goal seems to be even more thoroughly achieved when the L3 is left undubbed at the spoken level and untranslated (covering 18% of the total occurrences), a procedure that preserves unaltered the films' original degree of heterolingualism and their overall ethnolinguistic architecture.

Other transfer modes adopted in the Italian dubbed version of the films under investigation for the instances of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching that safeguard the role played by the L3 in the original version, plunging the audience in the films' 'exotic' essence, are: interpreting (covering 19% of the total occurrences), used with specific narrative aims both to enable communication and to convey the characters' emotional involvement in the conversational act, thus also fulfilling code-switching's referential, emotive and phatic functions; misinterpreting (covering 2% of the total occurrences), implying a process of manipulation in translation that is enacted by the characters themselves as a voluntary act of conveying a different meaning in order to achieve different narrative aims; voice-over (covering 3% of the total occurrences), a type of simultaneous interpreting that proves to be an efficient method to convey meaning especially in the instances of turn-specific code-switching.

The above-mentioned procedures, i.e. open subtitles, non-translation, voice-over, interpreting, misinterpreting, cover 58% of the total occurrences of turn-specific and intersentential code-switching to be recognized in our corpus of films, thus resulting to be the prevailing category of transfer modes adopted for these two types of language alternation and particularly to be observed in films released in or after 2004; this highlights, from a diachronic perspective, a recently emerged tendency towards foreignization in audiovisual translation that restrains "the ethnocentric violence" (Venuti 1995: 20) of traditional domestication translation procedures. Indeed, if compared to dubbing methods, these transfer modes save the integrity and vitality of the source language dialogues thus guaranteeing a higher degree of faithfulness to the original multiethnic context's linguistic and cultural nuances.

With regard to intrasentential code-switching within which L3 terms and expressions are used to refer to cultural specifics, our empirical comparative analysis shows that most instances of L3 culture-bound references are borrowed and maintained unaltered in the Italian dubbed version (covering 78% of the total 568 occurrences), with only a very low percentage of third culture references dubbed into Italian (covering 22% of the total occurrences) and either translated with Italian equivalents (in some cases with different Italian terms used to translate one specific L3 term, according to both speaker and conversational context) or omitted. The transference of L3 culture-specific references in the Italian dubbed version fully recreates the films' original ethnolinguistic specificity

provided by the presence of an L3, making "the translated text a site where a cultural other is not erased but manifested" (Venuti 1998: 242).

We could therefore conclude by saying that the translation strategies nowadays most commonly adopted in the Italian dubbed versions of polyglot films highlight a new trend in audiovisual translation that privileges a faithful rendering of the otherness conveyed by the presence of L3s in instances of turn-specific, intersentential and intrasentential codeswitching, thoroughly re-creating the translaguaging and transcultural interactional dynamics to be observed in real-life multiethnic linguistic scenarios and constructing cinematic multicultural and multilingual dimensions within which different linguistic and cultural traditions merge in never-ending processes of cultural and linguistic negotiations.

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