

GRAHAM ROWLANDS

THE CRYBABIES

I reckon babies have got it all sewn up.
The little buggers start howling
when they're born &
you teach 'em
not to.

But I reckon a good cry never did
anyone any harm. Sure
you've got to be
pretty careful
about time
& place

but I find the dunny's a good spot meself
& I s'pose the shoulder, you know,
the whatyoucallit of a friend
if you've got one
is all right
too.

Gets it out of your system, you know,
fixes you up for The System. I
reckon it'd be fantastic to
see the boys up top there
bawling their eyes out
like little crybabies

but I s'pose the big boys are all dry eyes.
Even if they howled for all they're worth
a few heaps of sodden mansize tissues
plonked out with the garbage'd
just mean a few less boxes
a week to rip off
the crybabies.

