Dialogue Tree

Carolos Xilbaso: In a haughty tone; trying to lift himself above his situation

I do apologise for the behaviour of my cellmate. As you will be able to tell, I am not, in fact, meant to be here. I'm Carolos Xilbaso, you see. There's been a terrible misunderstanding.

If not Carolos_spoken_before

Main Menu

No...it can't be. *The* Carolos Xilbaso? You're *the* Carolos Xilbaso?

Performance DC 10

Success

Carolos Xilbaso: Irritated and sniffing haughtily

Well, yes, I suppose I *do* have somewhat of a reputation. These moronic miscreants they have for guards claim never to have heard of me, if you can believe such an outrageous fib.

Failure

Carolos Xilbaso: Irritated and sniffing haughtily

Now, tell me - what *exactly* have you heard about me?

Sub Menu 1

Inspect the man's clothes for any hints as to his profession.

Perception DC 10

Success

Narrator:

His clothing is neat; relatively finely-made, but not top of the line. On his chest, you notice a pin with the symbol of Waukeen, crossed with the symbol of Deneir - the mark of art dealers.

Jump to Sub Menu 1 out

set carolos_backstory_1

Failure

Narrator: Shrugging

You scan his appearance, but you see nothing unusual. He seems to wear the same clothes as every other citizen of Athkatla.

Jump to Sub Menu 1 out

set carolos_backstory_failure_1

Look closely at the man; who does he want you to think he is?

Wisdom DC 10

Success

Narrator:

You see him puffing his chest up, and preening - a little too much. This is someone who needs to prove to you that he's important.

Jump to Sub Menu 1 out

set carolos_backstory_2

Failure

Narrator: Shrugging

You squint at him, but you see nothing but an small, squat, unprepossessing man.

Jump to Sub Menu 1 out

set carolos_backstory_failure_2

Wrack your brains for the name 'Carolos Xilbaso'.

History DC 18

Success

Narrator:

Somewhere, deep in the back of your mind, a spark floats up: you have seen his name once before, running an art import business.

Jump to Sub Menu 1 out

set carolos_backstory_3

Failure

Narrator:

You stare at him blankly. No matter how many times you repeat it to yourself, the name means nothing to you.

Jump to Sub Menu 1 out

set carolos_backstory_failure_3

Using what you have gleaned, give your best approximation of what Carolos might want to hear.

if carolos_backstory_1 or carolos_backstory_2 or carolos_backstory_3

Performance DC 5

Success

Carolos Xilbaso:

Ah, I can see you are a person of great taste. I am sorry you must see me in these straightened circumstances. I have been the victim of a foul conspiracy, you see.

Carolos Xilbaso:

I was accused by that wretched fool, Orkatz Alibakkar, of deceiving my customers. Can you believe it? A legitimate, *renowned* merchant such as myself?

Carolos Xilbaso:

And now I'm here, in this wretched little commoner's cell, while that Alibakkar cretin walks free.

set Carolos_positive_attitude

Sub Menu 4

If you're an art dealer, can you sell me anything? I've been meaning to decorate my tent.

Carolos Xilbaso: A *calculating* tone; he's assessing Tav.

I'm in unexpectedly dire straits at the moment, but I suppose I could rustle up an object or two. Just a few curiosities I happen to have on me. They are rather precious, of course - but I'm sure we could come to an agreement.

open Carolos' wares

jump to Sub Menu 4 out

Leave

End Conversation

set Carolos_spoken_before

Failure

Carolos Xilbaso: Indignant

I might be in straightened circumstances, but there is quite frankly no need to make fun. Now, please leave me alone. I will not be mocked, even if I am imprisoned.

End Conversation

set Carolos_spoken_before

set Carolos_negative_attitude

Even though you've got no idea who he is, try your best to convince Carolos you know exactly who he is.

if carolos_backstory_failure_1 and if carolos_backstory_failure_2 and if carolos_backstory_failure_3

Performance DC 25

Success

Carolos Xilbaso: Rather startled to find that you're talking to him

Yes?

if Carolos_spoken_before and if Carolos_neutral_attitude

Sub Menu 6

Can we trade?

Carolos Xilbaso: Superior

I suppose, if you really think you can afford my wares, it won't harm you to peruse them.

open Carolos' wares

Jump to Sub Menu 6 out

Leave.

End Conversation

Failure

Carolos Xilbaso: Irritated and sniffing haughtily

There's no need to be so childish. I am well-known, though clearly not among your circles. But then again, I doubt you've ever seen a Polton Karrick in your sorry little life.

Sub Menu 2

Polton's a good friend, actually.

Deception DC 15

Success

Carolos Xilbaso: Clearly re-adjusting his attitude to TAV

Oh? Really? Well, send him my best regards. I am not right now in the full flourish of my position, but I assure you this is all just a temporary misunderstanding.

Carolos Xilbaso:

I had a little disagreement with Orkatz Alibakkar. He's a close, personal friend, but for some reason he became convinced I was selling fakes! Of course, I had to defend myself.

Sub Menu 5

set Carolos_positive_attitude

If you're an art dealer, can you sell me anything? I've been meaning to decorate my tent.

Carolos Xilbaso: Fawning

For a friend of Polton's, anything. And do tell him, if he's looking to sell in Athkatla, to remember my name.

open Carolos' wares

Jump to Sub Menu 5 out

Leave.

End Conversation

set Carolos_spoken_before

Failure

Carolos Xilbaso: Deeply piqued; almost outraged

Quite frankly, I have enough going on, without fools like you bothering me. Please leave me in peace. I have machinations to plot.

End Conversation

set Carolos_spoken_before

set Carolos_negative_attitude

I have absolutely no idea what that is.

End Conversation

Carolos Xilbaso: Snobbishly

Then that tells me everything I need to know about you. Now, would you mind leaving me be? I'm tortured enough as it is, without yet more criminals bothering me.

End Conversation

set Carolos_spoken_before

set Carolos_negative_attitude

Carolos Xilbaso: A bit miffed

You must be new to the city. I am Athkatla's *premier dealer in fine art*, a purveyor of the *highest* quality paintings, sculpture, textiles, non-magical artefacts, and other sundry items.

Carolos Xilbaso: Rather proud

I am no mere merchant; I am a *taste-maker*. That, my friend, is why you should know the name Carolos Xilbaso.

Sub Menu 3

I hate to point it out, but you are not sort of...in prison?

Success

Carolos Xilbaso: Genuine outrage, although he is not quite telling the truth.

Yes, but only by mistake. That idiot Orkatz Alibakkar made foul accusations against my character. He claimed I deceived my customers, if you can believe such a wicked thing!

Carolos Xilbaso: Disgust at his circumstances.

Anyway, after such horrid words, it was my duty as a merchant and a gentleman to confront him. We had a little bit of a scuffle, and now I'm here, in this stinking commoner's cell, while that Alibakkar walks free.

Jump to Sub Menu 3 out

Failure

Carolos Xilbaso: A calculating tone; he's assessing Tav.

I'm in unexpectedly dire straits at the moment, but I suppose I could rustle up an object or two. Just a few curiosities I happen to have on me. They are rather precious, of course - but I'm sure we could come to an agreement.

open Carolos' wares

Jump to Sub Menu 3 out

If you're an art dealer, can you sell me anything? I've been meaning to decorate my tent.

Leave

End Conversation

set Carolos_spoken_before

set Carolos_neutral_attitude

Carolos Xilbaso: Haughty; disgusted at his circumstance

Will you please leave me alone? It's bad enough I have to listen to *his* nonsense, let alone be bothered by every curious passer-by. These conditions are brutality, I tell you, sheer brutality.

if Carolos_spoken_before and if Carolos_negative_attitude

End Conversation

Am I meant to know who you are?

Carolos Xilbaso: Faux-cheerful, then conspiratorial

My dear friend! It is so wonderful to see you again. Truly, your presence is a gift. Now, unless you can do anything about getting me into a better cell - I'm not sure we've got a great deal to discuss.

if Carolos_spoken_before and if Carolos_positive_attitude

Sub Menu 7

Can we trade?

Carolos Xilbaso: Fawning.

For such a distinguished customer as yourself, I've rustled up some of my finest treats.

open Carolos' wares

Jump to Sub Menu 7 out

Leave.

End Conversation