Chavacano Reader Project

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This paper will outline and discuss the various phases of the development of the Chavacano Reader from the five million word Chavacano Corpus.

1. Selection of Reading Candidates
   - From 2,500 entries, the Readers-Selectors have to follow an algorithm set by the Chief Reader-Selector to choose 100 candidates
   - They have to add descriptive titles or short summary of content
   - From 100 candidates to 60 best selections
     Criteria: selecting topics, levels of difficulty, issues of length, spelling problems
     Need for materials outside of corpus. Why?
     Final selection is done by McNeil LRC (MLRC)

2. Draft Translation
   - Translators will produce draft English translations
   - 60 draft translations will be sent to MLRC in smaller batches
   - 46 translations will be selected by MLRC, with the cultural and grammatical notes

3. Text-Development Work
   From 46 draft translations to final texts
   - Finalizing of the Chavacano text, glosses, notes and English translations
   - Production of the Front Matter (Preface, Grammar Outline, Acknowledgement, Table of Contents, etc.)
   - Production of the Running Glossary

4. Lessons Learned
   What would we do different next time?
   What advice can we pass on to teachers and materials developers?