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Our winner here last year: Chip Tolentino. Let's give him a hand! (SCHWARZY enters, eager, excited, wound-up, already nearly breathless.)

SCHWARZY

Ms. Peretti! —(10)

RONA

And, our youngest competitor, Logainne SchwarzandGrubeniere, — (15)

(SCHWARZY and CHIP check each other out competitively. CONEYBEAR runs in.) — (20)

CONEYBEAR

AT THE 25TH ANNUAL
PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING GAME (BEE!)
I'LL STAND WHEN THEY ANNOUNCE MY NAME:

RONA

Leaf Coneybear.

CONEYBEAR

AND TRY TO KEEP FROM SHAKING.

SCHWARZY

ALAS

HIS SHAKING WILL NOT PASS

CONEYBEAR, CHIP, RONA AND SCHWARZY

'CAUSE IT'S A VERY BIG -

VERY FRAUGHT -

SIMPLE BUT IT'S NOT-

It's a very big undertaking. — (78)

(BARFEE enters, stumblingly.)

RONA

(with some surprise and admiration)

Returning after last season's tragic setback: William Barfee. ——(3



BARFEE

It's pronounced Barfée; there's an accent ague. ———— (35

(MARCY enters. She's calm, you might even mistakenly think blasé.)











