



Start — RS#2 Schwartz, Flick

SCHWARTZ (an ongoing debate, he argues with arrogance). Hey listen, smartass. I asked my old man about sticking your tongue to a flagpole in the winter, and he says it'll stick to the pole, just like I told you.

FLICK (with healthy confidence). Ah, baloney. What would your old man know about anything?

SCHWARTZ. My old man knows, 'cause he once saw a guy stick his tongue to a railroad track on a bet, and the fire department had to come and get his tongue unstuck.

FLICK. You're full of beans, and so's your old man. End

(ESTHER JANE and MARY BETH enter, chatting animatedly, followed by RALPHIE and RANDY.)

RALPHIE. Hey fellas, wait up!

(RANDY struggles to keep up. He falls, immobile.)

RANDY (tries repeatedly to get up but can't). I can't get up. (Trying.) I can't get up. I can't get up! (Hysterical.) Ralphie, I can't get up! Come on, Ralphie! Wait up! (Whimpers.) Come on, guys!

RALPHIE. Let's go, Randy, we're gonna be late!

RANDY. I can't! I fell down, and I can't get up!

ESTHER JANE. Go help your brother, Ralphie.

RALPHIE (reluctantly). Oh, all right.