

RONA LISA PERETTI MONOLOGUE

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RONA:

Ladies and gentlemen, all the children you see onstage are here because of their extraordinary ability and love of language – but only one of them can go on to compete in the National Spelling Bee! This year, to celebrate our silver anniversary, our local sponsors, the Putnam Optometrists, are offering today's winner a two-hundred-dollar savings bond toward his or her future education. (*solicit applause*) But remember, to get here, each child had to win their own district bee, so each of them is already a winner.

RONA:

Hello, I'm Rona Lisa Peretti, and I'm pleased to be back for my ninth consecutive year as your host. Welcome everyone! I'd like to take this moment to ask you to please turn off your cell phones and other distracting devices and put away cameras – sorry no photos at the bee. Unfortunately, our usual word pronouncer, Superintendent Spriggs, has fallen ill, so please join me in welcoming Vice Principal Douglas Panch, returning to us after a five-year hiatus. Thank you, Douglas, for stepping in on such short notice.