

SCHWARZY

Hm. Are there any alternate definitions?

PANCH

Yes—it's a body of water pent up behind a floodgate.

SCHWARZY

Are there any alternate definitions?

PANCH

Why don't you quit stalling and spell the damn word!!

RONA

Principal Panch!

PANCH

Vice Principal Panch! Vice Principal! They won't let me be principal.

BARFEE

Gee, I wonder why.

SCHWARZY

*(very upset, over the rest)*

SLUICE. S-L-U-I-C-E. SLUICE!

RONA

That is correct.

*(to Panch)*

What is wrong with you?

*(Ad-libs as MITCH pulls PANCH offstage with RONA assisting him.)*

*[different productions have handled this differently – in one Panch collapses and is pulled offstage, in another Panch continues fit and has to be subdued, or Panch approaches Mitch to get him to do something and Mitch pulls Panch off in headlock]*

*CARL DAD comes on stage from in the audience as OLIVE goes to comfort SCHWARZY. CARL DAD shoos OLIVE away.)*

CARL DAD

Thanks Sweetie, I'll take it from here. Can we have a little privacy please?  
Breathe, Logainne. You're okay, buck up.

*(as he pours a can of coke on the floor)*

Oh that's no good.

*(aside to Schwarzy)*

No, no, let that dry.

(CARL DAD)

*(pulls her aside)*

The foot, we have to disable the foot.

SCHWARZY

What foot?

CARL DAD

The magic foot.

SCHWARZY

Wouldn't that be wrong?

CARL DAD

Do you want to win?

SCHWARZY

Yes, but I believe in ethical conduct.

CARL DAD

And isn't having a magic foot an unfair *advantage*?

SCHWARZY

I don't have a magical foot.

CARL DAD

Or a mother?

RONA

Can we have all parents in their seats please. This is not a soccer game.

SCHWARZY

*(to Olive)*

You're lucky your parents are in India.

OLIVE

No, only my mom is. My dad's coming from work.

PANCH

*(As he returns, he ad libs thanks to MITCH, only if needed for staging – e.g. "Thanks Mitch, I appreciate the tough love and the juice box." The "defense" PANCH offers is also an occasional ad lib spot. Again, if staging allows, keep things moving rather than adding anything to the moment. The briefer the better.)*

I apologize for that incident. In my defense I'd like to point out that I am lactose intolerant. Miss Ostrovsky.

OLIVE

*(to Rona)*

What did my dad say?