

1 can't think of what to do.
 2 SHEILA: There's a football game tonight at school.
 3 MARY: I hope Richie Thompson breaks his leg.
 4 BETSY: That's not nice.
 5 MARY: He's a jerk. He never does his homework and then
 6 wants to copy mine.
 7 JONI: What's that got to do with the football game?
 8 MARY: He's the star of the team!
 9 BETSY: *(To SHEILA)* Do you want to go to the game?
 10 SHEILA: No.
 11 BETSY: Then why did you suggest it?
 12 SHEILA: I didn't. I just mentioned there was a game. *(ALL*
 13 *pause.)*
 14 MARY: Sorenson's has a new ice cream flavor.
 15 JONI: What is it?
 16 MARY: Banana chocolate brownie chip.
 17 SHEILA: *(Makes a face.)* Gross.
 18 BETSY: Yum!
 19 JONI: I think that sounds good!
 20 SHEILA: I'm gonna puke.
 21 MARY: It's good! I had some last week.
 22 JONI: Let's go there.
 23 BETSY: Yeah, that's something to do at least. Maybe some
 24 of the kids are hanging out there.
 25 SHEILA: If anyone orders that banana chocolate ice cream,
 26 I'm gonna puke on them.
 27 MARY: Is there anything that *doesn't* make you puke?
 28 SHEILA: *(Looking at MARY)* Nothing I can think of at the
 29 moment.

51. Give Me a Break

Topic: Friends develop a case of cast-envy when a friend breaks his arm.

Cast:

JONAH: has arm in a cast, looks at the bright side

DAMIAN: a lady-killer

CLYVE: a jokester

1 *(Scene opens with DAMIAN and CLYVE watching JONAH*
 2 *enter and join them.)*
 3 DAMIAN: Dang, Jonah, what happened?
 4 JONAH: Man, I broke my arm skateboarding.
 5 CLYVE: I knew you were gonna do that. How many times
 6 have I told you that you're never gonna land an ollie?
 7 JONAH: *(Sarcastically)* Thanks, Clyve, that makes me feel
 8 much better.
 9 DAMIAN: Does it hurt?
 10 JONAH: *(Runs his opposite hand up and down the cast.)* Not
 11 too much right now. It did when I did it.
 12 CLYVE: How long you got to wear the cast?
 13 JONAH: *(Disgustedly)* Four to six weeks.
 14 DAMIAN: *(Appalled)* No way!
 15 CLYVE: There goes swim team.
 16 JONAH: Yeah, no kidding.
 17 DAMIAN: I hate swim team.
 18 CLYVE: Me too.
 19 JONAH: Me too. *(Pauses.)* Hey, why do we all go if we hate
 20 it?
 21 CLYVE: *(Wondering)* I have no idea. I thought you liked it.
 22 JONAH: No way.
 23 DAMIAN: So you get out of swim team now for the summer?
 24 JONAH: Yeah. And the way I figure it, I'll just phase out and
 25 won't have to do it next summer either.

1 CLYVE: *(Inspired)* Dude, that's awesome.
 2 DAMIAN: *(Wistfully)* I wish I had a broken arm.
 3 CLYVE: Hold out your arm, Damian!
 4 DAMIAN: Oh, ha ha.
 5 JONAH: Look at this, guys. *(They look closely at his cast.)*
 6 CLYVE: Does that say Pamela Houston?
 7 JONAH: *(Proudly)* Indeed it does.
 8 DAMIAN: *(Very impressed)* No way. Pamela Houston signed
 9 your cast?
 10 JONAH: She did.
 11 CLYVE: *(Also impressed)* Dude, how did you manage that?
 12 JONAH: *(With animation)* She saw me in the hallway and got
 13 all sympathetic and asked if she could sign it. I acted all
 14 cool and said, "Sure, if you want." She pulled out a
 15 Sharpie and then wrote her name. And, look, she even
 16 put a little heart. *(They ALL lean in to get a closer look.)*
 17 CLYVE: You are soooo lucky!
 18 DAMIAN: How did she smell? I've never gotten that close to
 19 her.
 20 CLYVE: Man, you are just weird.
 21 JONAH: She smelled great.
 22 DAMIAN: *(Emphatically)* I knew it.
 23 CLYVE: So you're saying the hottest girl in school just
 24 walked up to you, started a conversation with you, and
 25 offered to sign your cast? Man, I didn't even know she
 26 knew your name.
 27 JONAH: I know! Me neither! It's like a chick magnet, I'm
 28 telling you. I walk down the hall or go to the store and
 29 they all look at my arm and smile and shake their heads
 30 a little like, "poor baby, he's got a boo-boo."
 31 DAMIAN: *(Very jealous)* You stink, you know that?
 32 JONAH: *(Confused)* Why, because I broke my arm?
 33 DAMIAN: No, because you found the only way I haven't tried
 34 to attract female attention.
 35 JONAH: Well, I didn't plan it, let me tell you.

1 CLYVE: And you get out of swim team.
 2 JONAH: Bonus.
 3 CLYVE: Shoot. Sign me up.
 4 DAMIAN: Yeah, I think I'll crank up my skateboarding
 5 practices.
 6 CLYVE: With your luck, you'll break your nose or something
 7 and then you'll be even uglier than you are.
 8 DAMIAN: You're just the funniest guy around, aren't you?
 9 CLYVE: Hey, Jonah, let me buy you a soda. Do you think
 10 you could toss some of those extra babes my way?
 11 JONAH: Don't see why not. Spread the wealth, that's my
 12 motto.
 13 DAMIAN: Now he's a regular matchmaker.
 14 CLYVE: Hey, I'll take whatever I can get.