Readers:

Boy 1  Boy 2  Boy 3  
Girl 1  Girl 2

Boy 1: (displaying book) Have you read this book?

Boy 2: No--what is it?

Girl 1: What is all that colored round stuff?

Boy 3: I think they are those balls that you can jump in at the play places.

Boy 1: You're right! The main character, Ben Diaz, got a bunch free and played a prank by filling up his homeroom classroom with them.

Boy 2: Cool!

Girl 2: Ewwww! I bet they were nasty and smelly. I know someone who threw up in a ball pit.

Girl 1: Ewwww!

Boy 2: What does it say on the back of the book?

Boy 1: There is a review by Matthew Holm, the co-creator of Baby Mouse and Squish.

Girls 1 & 2: I LOVE Babymouse books!

Boy 2: Hey, he writes that this book made him want to pull pranks like staging a zombie
attack in the cafeteria or filling the entire school with bean dip!

**Girl 1:** Wow! That’s a lot of bean dip.

**Boy 2:** I like queso better.

**Girl 2:** We aren’t talking about eating it, silly. We are talking about pranking with it.

**Boy 2:** Oh yeah…

**Boy 3:** It says here that “this is the story of an unstoppable prank-pulling force. A mischief-making club so secret that it has to make pickles.”

**Girl 1:** They really are making pickles?

**Boy 1:** Hey, look! There are 3 boys and 2 girls in the club—just like us.

**Boy 2:** We could form a prank club!

**Boy 3:** We could read the book and get some ideas for tricks!

**Girl 1:** I want to read the book and find out how it turns out first.

**Girl 2:** Yeah—we don’t want to get in trouble.

**Girl 1:** Or play *mean* tricks that hurt people or damage property.

**Boy 1:** Well, whether we decide to have a prank club OR make pickles, this book sounds like fun. I’m going to read it.

**Boys 2&3, Girls 1&2:** Me too!!!