

“It was hilarious!” said Kelly. “And my aunt Debbie was freaking out because she does not like animals in the house!”

“Whoa, whoa, slow down,” said Mr. Lopez. “We’re not going to get a class pet.”

“Aaaaawwww!” we all said.

“I have an idea,” I said. “If we can’t have a class pet, then let’s have a Pet Day.”

“Yeah,” said Jake.

“Great idea, sis!” Kelly said.

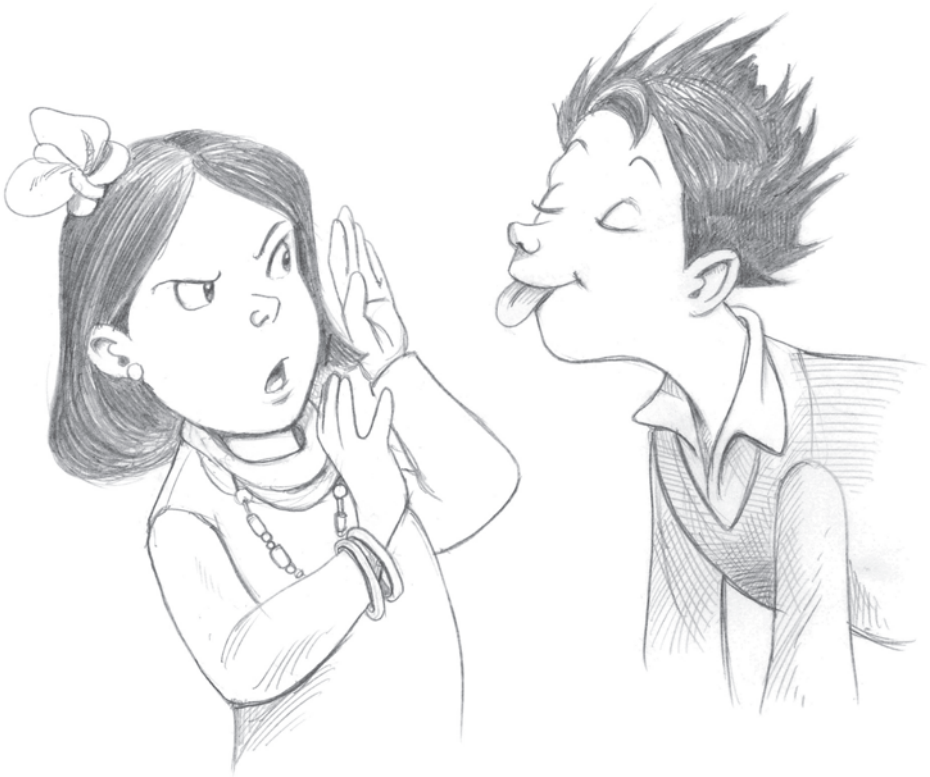
“We can all bring our pets to school,” I said.

“I could bring my dog, Rocky, and my cat, Patches,” said Jake. “Rocky always wants to come to school. Every morning he tries to get on the bus with me.”

Kelly giggled. “It’s so cute when you say good-bye, and he gives you wet slobbery kisses all over your face.”

“Eeeewww! That is disgusting,” said Madison.

Jake leaned over to Madison. “If I bring



him to school, then he can give *you* a special kiss. . . . Thup, thup, thup,” he said, pretending to lick her face.

“You are so gross. Get away from me, Jake Brown!” said Madison, backing up.

“Or what?” asked Jake, laughing.

“Or you’ll be in big trouble!”