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“Heads up, everyone!” Ann yells. “Who wants to be in my book club?”



“I do!” Carl says, tapping the top of his head. “I want to read about storms and thunder.”



Ann shakes her head.
“But I have read about
storms and thunder.”





“I will be in your club,” Dexter says. “Can we read about insects? They are bugs with a head and two back parts. They have wings. I want to find out about them.”



“But I have read about insects!”
Ann says. She is getting upset.





“I want to read about sports,”
Dee says.



“Read about sports?” Ann says, shaking her head.
“Forget it. I don’t want to. This isn’t going to work.
I am going home.”



“What is the problem?” Carl asks. “We want to be in your book club, but we want to help pick the books too.” Dexter and Dee nod their heads.

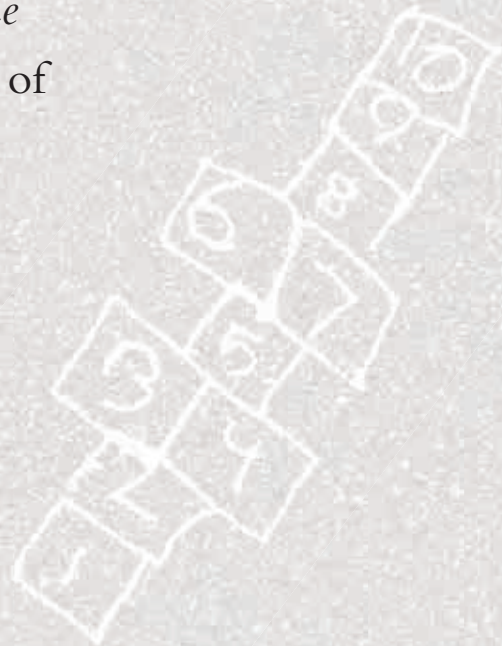


“Forget it. It is *my* club!” Ann says.
“I have read about thunder and insects!
I don’t like sports!”



“Let’s think,” Dexter says. “Can we take turns picking the books?”

“What can we read that *everyone* will like?” asks Dee. “Can we think of what to read about?”







“OK,” Ann says. “I just got upset. I bet we can pick books that no one has read yet that all of us will like.”



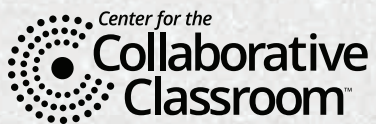
“We just have to put our heads to it,” Carl says.
“When do we want our book club to meet?”





★ “After school is a good time,” Ann says. “We can pick other books when we meet. Everyone bring one book to share.”

Everyone yells, “Yes!”



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