

Let's Go to the Salad Bar

Tom, Peter, Shirley and Anne are all friends from school. They are in a shopping mall and decide to go to Pizza Place to have some salad. The two boys play a joke on the girls at the salad bar because it is April Fool's Day.

Characters:

All the children are in the same class at school and live in the same block. The girls are always telling the boys what to do. Peter and Tom like to play jokes on the girls. The girls are used to the jokes and they all have a good laugh in the end.

Peter - He is tall and thin. He likes to read joke books all the time. Tom is his best friend.

Tom - He is funny and is always getting into trouble. He is always talking to Peter about jokes to play on their friends.

Anne - She is Shirley's best friend. She is always hungry and likes eating salad. She always tells Tom and Peter what to do.

Shirley - She is pretty. She is very afraid of small animals and insects. She likes telling Tom and Peter what to do.



Scene 1
(In a mall)

(It is April Fool's Day. Peter, Tom, Anne and Shirley are deciding where they should go for lunch.)

Shirley: I'd like sushi. Let's go to the Japanese restaurant now.

Anne: Sushi! No, thank you. I want to eat some salad. It is good for our health.

Tom: Peter, you said you wanted to go to Hamburger Place, didn't you? I always get the super-sized cheeseburger meal there. I can't wait to have french fries.

Peter: No, Tom. I don't like cheeseburgers! I'd like to go to Pizza Place because Anne can get food from the salad bar there.

(Peter winks at Tom because they are both excited about the joke they are going to play on the girls.)

Tom: Ah, you're right, Peter. You did say Pizza Place and the salad bar for Anne. I remember it now. Let's go.

Shirley: Tom, didn't you say you had to go shopping for your mum after lunch? Have you got the shopping list?

Tom: Yes, it's in my backpack ... ummmmmm.

(Tom starts looking for it and pulls out a bunch of grapes, a carton of milk, a packet of biscuits, a bar of chocolate, a piece of cheese, a bottle of apple juice and a can of cola from the backpack.)

The Other Three: *(Staring at Tom and saying each item with increasing pitch as it is pulled out)* A bunch of grapes, a carton of milk, a packet of biscuits, a bar of chocolate, a piece of cheese, a bottle of apple juice, a can of cola!



Tom: Ummmmmmm, it's not here! Where is it?

Anne: Come on, Tom, hurry up. I'm really very hungry.

Tom: Hold on, hold on. It's here somewhere.

Peter: Tom, are you sure it's in the backpack?

(Tom pulls out a packet of potato chips, a carton of orange juice, a can of soup and a piece of paper stuck to a sweet. He pulls off the sweet, puts it in his mouth and then straightens out his shopping list.)

The Other Three: *(Saying each item with increasing pitch when it is pulled out by Tom)* A packet of potato chips, a carton of orange juice, a can of soup, a sweet!

The Girls: *(Feeling disgusted when Tom eats the sweet)* Ohhhh, Tom, that's disgusting!

Tom: I knew I had the shopping list somewhere! Here it is. Ummmm, let me see. Mum wants tomatoes, eggs, apples and chicken wings.

Shirley: That's easy. We'll go to the supermarket after lunch. OK, shall we have our lunch now?

The Boys: Sure, let's go to the salad bar at Pizza Place.

Anne: Good. It's over there.

(Anne points to Pizza Place and everyone walks over there.)



Scene 2
(In Pizza Place near the salad bar)

(The boys walk over to the salad bar grinning, as Peter takes something out of his pocket. He is playing around at the salad bar. The girls are behind the boys and cannot see what they are doing.)

Anne: Tom, would you like some tomatoes? They are good for you.

Tom: No, I prefer to have lettuce.

Peter: Me too. It looks nice and fresh. What about you, Shirley?

Shirley: I like lettuce too. I'll have two helpings. *(Using the tongs to get some lettuce)* Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!

(Shirley throws the tongs and the lettuce in the air. Anne catches the tongs. Everyone looks startled.)

Shirley: It moved! I saw something move! There, in the lettuce! It was long and wet. It tried to bite me. It was a worm, I think!

Anne: Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!

(Anne throws Shirley's tongs in the air and Peter catches them in one hand. He uses them to look through the lettuce bowl. He pulls out a piece of cooked spaghetti and wiggles it. The two girls scream!)

Two Girls: Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!

Two Boys: Hahahahahahahahaha!

(Peter throws the spaghetti at the girls; they scream again!)

Two Girls: Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!



Peter: Come on, look at it. What is it really? It's only a piece of spaghetti!

Shirley: Oh gosh. Yes, it is. Spaghetti is NOT usually in the lettuce bowl though!

Anne: Yes, it scared me too. How did the spaghetti get in there?

(The two boys are grinning, laughing and giving each other '5'.)

Two Boys: Hahahahahahahahaha!

Two Girls: What's going on?

Two Boys: That was the best April Fool's joke ever!

(The two girls realize what has happened so they start to laugh too.)

