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Mrs. Kormel Is Not Normal!



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Never Kiss Your Mom in Public

My name is A.J. and I hate school.

Do you know which is the worst day of the week? If you ask me, it's Monday. Because Monday is the start of five days of school in a row. That's horrible!

Tuesday and Wednesday aren't so great either.

Thursday is a pretty good day, because then we only have one day of school left before the weekend.

Friday is *really* good, because that's when the school week is over.

But the best day of the week is Saturday. I play peewee football on Saturday, and we don't have school again for two whole days.

Too bad it was Monday morning. I was waiting in front of my house for the school bus with my mom.

"You be a good boy, A.J.," my mom told me.

"I will."

"Don't get into any trouble, A.J.," my mom told me.

"I won't."

"Remember to raise your hand when you want to talk, A.J.," my mom told me.

"I will."

"Don't shoot straw wrappers at the girls, A.J.," my mom told me.

"I won't."

My mom told me about a million hundred other things I wasn't allowed to do until I saw the yellow school bus coming around the corner.

"Mom, I promise not to have any fun at all," I said. "Bye!"

The bus pulled up. Mrs. Kormel, the



Something weird is going on!

First the school bus gets a flat tire, and then Mrs. Kormel is totally lost in the middle of nowhere! Mrs. Kormel is the weirdest bus driver in the history of the world, and she's driving everyone crazy!

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