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The hilarious and bestselling series from Jim Benton continues!

Jamie, Isabella, and Angeline have known each other for a long time. They've even become friends -- whether Jamie likes it or not. But when the trio starts a friendly competition, all bets are off. The loser will be treated to a game of Dare or Worse Dare... with Isabella. (And Jamie's pretty sure that's like having a banana-peeling contest with a starving monkey. The monkey always wins.)

What could go wrong? Probably everything. And it's probably all that blondwad Angeline's fault. Probably.

Jamie still has no idea that anyone is reading her diary, so please, please, please don't tell her. And definitely don't tell her that she's the star of her very own Dear Dumb Diary movie, available on DVD. (Her glamorous ego might not be able to handle it.)

EXCERPT:

Dear Dumb Diary,

Isabella and I had one of those days where you spend four hours trying to come up with something to do, and then by the time you do, there's no time to do it so you just watch TV in positions that make it look like maybe you were born without bones.

We do this about twelve times a month.

"Since we're not doing anything, we should practice debate," I said.

"No, we shouldn't," Isabella said.

"We just did," I said.

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Pietra Ibrisimovic says

Yay for this series getting me out of another reading slump! I was at Barnes and Noble and when I saw this book I squeaked higher than I should've and I guess some kids noticed but oh well I don't care. Angelina being mean, or at least trying, was almost as funny as Jamie being nice.

Emma Hills says

My favorite one!

Heenly Pelayo says

I love this book as well as all the other wonderful dairies of Jamie. I recommend this book for anyone realy! This series of books is hilarious. I love how the author puts himself into a girl and makes everything so realistic. Read this book and you'll want to read the others. This book is mainly about Angeline and Jamie who make a bet that for a month they will not (say bad things, say good things). You should relay read this book, I promise you won't regret it!

Destiny Dogs says

It's super fast to read, super fun to read, and it goes by quickly. So the plot doesn't go by slow! Allowing you to read the whole series in about a week and a half! Jamie is not an average girl, she's fun, and crazy! Like me! It's so fun to read, for kids (9-18), and adults (19-older)! Any age range. You can like teens books (13-18) like (Delirum, matched, the selection) and also like this book which is a young readers book (9-12)! 100% recommend!

Myah says

it was ok

Edward Creter says

Jamie Kelly has returned! Isabella has returned! The Stinker Dog has returned! Celebrations will begin!!!!!! This latest one has Jamie betting that her worst friend Angeline, the Blonde Supreme of Mackerel Middle, can't say nice things in Jamie's presence for thirty days, since Miss Glamour Brain has been known for intense niceness which inspires some to drool at her every step and others to freely use the men's room for

needed purging of offensive food materials from the cafeteria. In response, Jamie herself is forced to say genuine nice things in A's presence for thirty days. It's about to get ugly--PRETTY ugly in a Sally Struthers way? Will Jamie finally bow down to cute cuddly ways of the world? Can the meek truly inherit the earth (without comments from respective peanut galleries!) Will Stinker inherit the living room with THAT INFAMOUS ODOR???? Read this latest outing! The series will stand the test of time! (So will Stinker's cuddly cuteness and wondrous olfactory pleasantness...so suck up to it!!!)

Colette says

A cute read for kids. It send a positive message while also causing lots of laughs. Overall 2/5 stars; was not for me.

Layla F says

Hilarious

Haleigh Chacon says

Dear dumb diary,you can bet on that by Jim Benton is a good book.I really enjoyed this book because it made me laugh but at the same time feel happy for the character.The book tells of Jamie Kelly and her bet that she can be nice and that Angeline can be mean.Throughout the book Jamie struggles to keep the bet.This makes the book fun to read and at the same time interesting.This book is one of the greatest books in the series in my opinion.I feel that if you love Dear dumb diary books you will like this one too.Jim Benton did a great job of writing this book and I think if you read it you will enjoy as much as I did.

Katya Vinogradova says

Jamie Kelly is at it again: fighting with her frenemy Angeline, scheming with her best friend Isabella and walking a fine line between being a good daughter and insulting her mother's sewing skills. In other words, a typical life of a typical middle school girl.

Jim Benton delivers another hilarious book in the popular "Dear Dumb Diary" series. I love that the books in this series have a great balance between humor and silliness, and good life lessons. This time we have plenty of fun with Jamie trying to get out of wearing her mother's home-made clothes - which Jamie calls "monkeyvomit" - and learning that being nice can get you further than being mean.

Those who follow the series will know that Jamie has always had a love-hate relationship with Angeline, the perfectly blonde, sweet-smelling, goody-two-shoes. Next to her Jamie feels average, mean and too brunette. This time, however, the roles are reversed when, after an ill-advised game of Dare or Worse Dare, Jamie can no longer be mean, and Angeline isn't allowed to be nice. The loser of the bet will suffer at the hands of Isabella, whose Dares include eating a bucket of raw fish heads and laying down on a clown's grave.

I know that this series has a lot of fans, but for those who are not familiar with Jim Benton's work, "You can bet on that" is a good place to start. It's a wonderful chapter book, especially for reluctant readers, and can be a good transition to middle-grade literature.

Traci says

I love this series! Still going strong, still good messages coming across, and still no stereotypical characters. Hooray!

Daylene Arteaga says

The book You Can Bet on That by Jim Benton is a good book and I think this is a great series but I wish this book would have more detail. Other than that I think this book is really good and has what I was looking for. I think the book has a good plot and a plot twister I recommend this book for people who like Dork diaries.

Stellaluna says

It made me laugh out loud.

Julia O says

This book was very funny I can't wait to read the rest of this series

Fiona Burgos says

"You Can Bet on That" by Jim Benton was a great book! This book was about how Jamie and Angeline made abet that Jamie has to be nice, and Angeline cant be mean. The loser has to play dare or worts dare with Isabelle. They each try to make eachother lose on their club website, but making each other lose would be way harder.

I like this book and the lesson. I would recomend this book.
