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All was pleasant at the Hill family reunion until Sue won the big Scrabble game. Jed felt humiliated when his sister beat him by more than 200 points and then said, “L is for Losers” whenever she saw him at the barbeque pit or the dock or the lawn chairs. “Really,” their mom said, “two adults! You should set a better example for the kids.”

But Sue couldn’t help smirking at her sibling rival and the bad feelings spread to their children. Jed’s teenage son Zac kept shoving a frog up to the face of Sue’s preteen daughter, Lin, never quite touching her but coming close. Lin hated slimy things and really freaked out when Zac dropped the frog down the back of her shirt just as the family photo was snapped.

Sue’s husband, Hal, then “accidentally” charred Jed’s sirloin steak when he knew Jed liked it rare. Jed wouldn’t eat the burnt steak and was so upset, he forced Hal to get in the car with him to go to the grocery store to buy a new steak for him. Jed backed the car out of the driveway too fast, knocking Lin off her bike, which was ruined. Sue was standing a few feet away as she saw her daughter hit her head on a rock and fall unconscious. After an emergency room visit, Lin woke up with just a bad headache. However, Sue was so traumatized, she developed a nervous twitch and had to see a psychologist.

Discuss all torts.