Ricardo’s Story: Making Fun of Others

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What do you think: Are Ricardo and his friend’s cyberbullies?

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Ricardo jokes about “stalking” people on Facebook. What are some different reasons people “stalk” others on social media?

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Ricardo says that even if you’re not friends with someone, you can see his or her photos. Is this true? Are there any measures you can take to keep your photos more private?

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Ricardo tells a story about his friend who posted a picture of herself wearing a traditional Filipino dress; people who commented making fun of the outfit and saying she looked ugly.

Why do you think people were mocking her culture? What do you think of her decision to take down the picture?

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Ricardo says that things “get around really quick” online. What does he mean?

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Do you agree that it’s easier to criticize people over the Internet?

What can you do to help reduce the “culture of criticism” Ricardo describes?