Title: "Cultural Clash in Room 207"

Characters:

Ahmed (Saudi Arabian student)

Hiroshi (East Asian student)

John (Western student)

Carlos (Latin American student)

[Scene: The dorm room, Room 207, where Ahmed, Hiroshi, John, and Carlos are sitting together.]

Ahmed: [Frustrated] Guys, I'm tired of having to ask you to stop borrowing my things without asking. It's really bothering me.

Hiroshi: [Surprised] Oh, I didn't know it was a big deal. Back home, we often share things with our roommates, and it's considered normal.

[Ahmed]: "I found this article by Smith et al. (2021) that discusses cultural differences in sharing personal items, which helped me understand our differences."

[Hiroshi]: "In my research, I came across a study by Chen and Lee (2020) that highlights how East Asian cultures often promote sharing as a way of building strong relationships."

John: [Confused] I'm sorry, Ahmed, but I thought it was okay to use each other's stuff. I mean, we're all roommates, right?

[The roommates engage in a more detailed discussion, addressing additional aspects of their cultural differences.]

Carlos: [Supportive] I understand where Ahmed is coming from. In my culture, borrowing without asking is also considered rude. We should respect each other's boundaries.

Ahmed: [Smiling] Thank you, Carlos. I appreciate your understanding. Can we set some ground rules about this? Like, if you want to use something of mine, just ask first.

Hiroshi: [Nodding] Sure, I can do that. I didn't realize it was a cultural difference.

John: [Apologizing] My bad, Ahmed. I didn't mean to be disrespectful. I'll ask next time.

[The roommates continue the discussion, delving into more cultural nuances, sharing personal anecdotes, and elaborating on how they can bridge their cultural differences.]

Carlos: [Suggesting] How about we also create a shared document where we list items that are okay to share and those that are not? That way, we can avoid misunderstandings.

[The roommates start brainstorming ideas for the shared document, discussing specific items and cultural practices.]

[The roommates also cite the sources of their research when sharing cultural insights and anecdotes.]

[Scene ends with the roommates finalizing their plan for the shared document, expressing a sense of unity, and emphasizing the importance of understanding and appreciating cultural diversity.]

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