1. Mandy said that she is proud to be an American. What about you? What makes you proud of being a citizen of your country?

2. Mandy said her American friends think she is not acting like an “American”. She wonders what being an American means. Aaron responded that being American can mean something different to each person. What about in your culture? What does it mean for you to be Chinese, Saudi, Turkish, Mexican, Japanese, etc.?

3. If Mandy and Aaron both love their country and also enjoy things about other cultures, what are some reasons you think their American friends criticize them for immersing themselves in the local culture?