

Almost everyone has indulged in gossiping about other people at some time. Gossip is spread in classrooms, in offices, at restaurants, in hallways, on the street, over the phone, and on the Internet. By excluding the person they are gossiping about, the gossipers feel included. No one is immune to gossiping or being gossiped about. The people spreading the gossip feel like they are in on a secret and that they are accepted by the people listening to the gossip. Gossiping seems to be part of human nature.