Hey Becka, do you want to come hang out at the mall?

**Cough**
**Cough**

Um...

**Cough**

Okay...

**Cough**

I hope no one thinks I’m sick because of my coughing tic.

**Cough**
**Cough**
Hey Becka!
Ready to hit some stores?

Hey guys!

**Cough**

Let's see what's happening at the food court.

Do you hear that girl who keeps coughing?

**Cough**
I overheard you talking and I wanted to let you know that my coughing is part of my medical condition called Tourette Syndrome. It causes me to make movements and sounds called tics that I can't control. I'm not sick or contagious.
Wow. Sorry, we didn’t realize. If we had known, we wouldn’t have said that.

Do you and your friends want to sit with us?

Sure, thanks for understanding. The more people know about Tourette, the less stigma there is.
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