

ISSUE

It's interesting to know different **manners** and no-nos between different cultures. For example, why are chopsticks metal in Korea, often plastic in Chinese restaurants in America and generally wood anywhere else? In Japan, it is normal to lift your plate or bowl to your mouth but in America we generally do not pick up plates or bowls. For Japanese, passing a piece of food from your chopsticks to someone else's chopsticks is a no-no but for Chinese people is okay. In Japan, you do not walk and eat or drink. In my country, eating while walking is very normal. I'm **curious** where that rule **originates**. I think it's pretty **scary** to visit and stay in other countries, huh?



Vocabulary

manners
curious
originates
scary



LET'S TALK

- 1) "Cultural differences cause problems. Agree or disagree?
- 2) Would you prefer to live in a mono culture or a multi-culture society? Why?
- 3) Is it better to marry someone of the same culture?