

Do I Belong Here?





In Japan, there is only one ethnic group and this prevents their exposure to other nationalities in the world.

Even though hip-hop music and Hollywood movies are popular here, and do include black actors, none of these adequately represents the entirety of the Black's culture. In absence of it, many Japanese may have limited and stereotypical expectations of what black people are like.

Several times, people approached me and told me that my "hip-hop culture is cool" and I was delighted to hear it. Sometimes, I am expected to respond to young people asking me, "Yo, wazzup man?"



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Let's talk

- 1) What do you think is the feeling of the woman?
- 2) What kinds of stereotypes (both negative and positive) do most Japanese people have about the black people?
- 3) What is your basis in answering question number 2?

ACTIVITY: Give your stereotypes to the following group of people

- @ Politicians
- @ Lawyers
- @ Homosexuals
- @ Americans
- @ Southeast Asians
- @ Koreans
- @ White people
- @ Rich young men
- @ The elderly







