

Most people know about stereotypes. Especially Asian ones. “Chink”, “Banana”, and “Ching Chong Bok Choy Ding Dong”- I bet you’ve heard all those before. Usually at school, teachers tell not to say these “hurtful” words to people. But for me, I actually really like stereotypes.

First of all, they are funny and generally true. The most popular one would probably be about Asian eating a lot of rice. Well, isn’t it true? And which Asian parent isn’t strict about grades?

I guess, a bigger reason that I like Asian stereotypes is that it gives me a sense of national pride when people call me a “chink”. I tell them “uh... no. I’m Taiwanese, so I’m a...Taink? Most Americans do not care about the difference, but for me, I can feel the difference.

Thirdly, I’ve found out that most of my peers think the same way as me. They all think that stereotypes are rather entertaining and give a great chance to show off your nationalism. It doesn’t matter if they’re Asian, Caucasian, Black, Mexican, or Indian, they all think the same way.

So I guess that if schools want to waste time teaching us about stereotypes, go ahead. But personally, I like stereotypes.