

PRETTY LIKE A WHITE BOY

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Complete the following questions. Answer in full sentences and provide as much detail as possible in your responses.

1. In one paragraph, describe what you liked or disliked about Drew Taylor's essay.
2. In the fourth paragraph, the writer states:

"It wasn't until I left the Reserve for the big bad city, that I became more aware of the role people expected me to play, and the fact that physically I didn't fit in."

- a) What "role" did he feel people expected him to play?
- b) Why did he not "fit in"?
3. In what ways did the author experience awkward situations when people did not know that he was native? Give at least two specific examples from the essay.
4. Many Natives are of mixed blood. Why does this author feel that his situation is unique?
5. The author claims that there is a lot to be said for both Native culture and white culture.
 - a) According to Taylor, what are the two contributions of Native culture?
 - b) What does he claim are the two most significant contributions from the white culture?
6. What is the major difference in the identity expressed by the author compared with the poem "Who Am I?" by Cheryl Blood?