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Assignment one

1. Staples describes himself as a peace-loving and responsible person and exposed to the challenge of being a black person. Others view his as a threat to them especially encounter with people in dark alley and corridors. The people around him find it difficult to accept that he is a different person from the thugs in the street.
2. The comparison of Staples whistling to cowbell hikers wear when in a bear county can be linked with his experience as a form of signal to the people around him. Cowbell hikers wear used to signal that they are not dangerous. Similarly, Staples use whistling to signal that he is not a mugger
3. Ortiz describes herself as having good ethical standards with exposure to different cultures and Latina influence on the dressing. However, society views her as a whore, a housemaid or a waitress because of stereotyping of the Latina women.
4. The two articles present the social problem of stereotyping by linking race to negative attributes such as theft and mugging for African Americans. At the same time, for Latina women, it is either whoredom, housemaid or waitress.
5. I identified with the authors through the challenge of changing the perception of society about a race. The judgement of the two writers, in most cases, was based on appearance rather than personality.
6. Staples and Ortiz describe stereotyping and racism, which involves making a judgment on a person based on skin colour and appearance. Both writers present incidences of discrimination by presenting how some members of the Latina or black community are treated unfairly
7. Young teenagers of colour are viewed as muggers, thieves or rapist, depending on how they are dressed. When it is a group of young men of colour, it can be viewed as a troubling scene, thus avoiding them at all costs.
8. When in school and confrontation began between one student of colour, I concluded that it is their nature to be temperamental only to realise that the student was aggrieved and was trying to vent his frustrations. I was astonished at how fast I stereotyped the student.
9. There are direct connections between my growing up as a Latina with stereotyping, especially on which jobs Latina women can do. It is a common trend, with some even stating it on your face. I have also been confused by a customer for a waitress in the restaurant.
10. There is increasing acceptance within the different races. However, a verbal and emotional presentation of stereotyping is still prevalent, especially in areas where ideas sharing or confrontation exist. Some people may not be allowed to talk or present their view because of their colour.
11. As a future manager, one important lesson is never to judge people by their appearance and always be ready to support the minority efforts for equity in society to help end stereotyping and discrimination. In job evaluations, I must be fair and allow everyone to showcase their capability without brushing them off.