

SCENARIO ONE

With a group of friends or classmates, act out the following scene. Student B must be played by a person of color. After acting out the scene, discuss the following points as a group:

- > What is this scenario an example of?
- > What was wrong with Student A's question, "Where are you really from?"
- > If someone is curious about someone's ethnicity, what would be a more appropriate question?

Setting: A high school cafeteria.

A group of students are sitting at a table chatting away. Student B, one of the students, is the only person of color in the group.

Student A: I wish today was Friday.

Student B: Why?

Student A: Because then we'd have pizza instead of the gross salad bar.

Student C: It's not so bad! Salad is delicious.

Student B: I don't know. I think I'd rather have pizza, too.

Student D: Cafeteria pizza versus cafeteria salad? I'll say no to both.

Student C: I've never been a fan of pizza, now that I think of it.

Student B: Seriously? Well, where I'm from we have the best pizza that will change your mind with one bite!

Student C: Where's that?

Student B: Chicago. The home of deep dish deliciousness.

Student D: I'll definitely say yes to that!

Student A: Wait, you're really from Chicago?

Student B: Yep!

Student: A: Oh. But where are you really from?

Student B: What do you mean?

Student A: I mean that you look like you wouldn't be from Chicago. I'm just surprised.

END SCENE

