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18	Asian		i am from a christian family. i am adopted.	10
18	Black	College Student and Receptionist	I enjoy going to church, shopping, reading, playing the clarinet and the piano.	103
19	African	student	Before I can to america I did not know what it meant to be white or black or even what racism was but with in months I was completely aware of what the difference was.I sometimes feel that we should not live in the past eventhough we can learn from it but I think for us as black people to move on we must first learn to believe in ourselves and not listen to others who tell us that we a not caple to do certain things and than train our children that it's good to learn from the past but not to live in it and also that we can accomplish anything.	3
19	Black	Student at Louisana Tech University	Racial discrimination, although a major problem between cultures, is also a problem that we as black Americans must address within our own communities.The unity within our culture is not as strong as it could be because we are still segregating ourselves.Black people as a whole come in several different shades, but there is subconsciously a value put on having lighter skin. Students have identified with everything except being black when together with other African-Americans.Redbone, yellowbone, or "I'm not black, I'm brown."The differences in color are true, but being black is not about sharing a certain hue. It is about sharing a common experience.This point must be greater emphasized if we as a people are to continue to progress.	173
19	Black	Student	There is a certain amount of race prejudice in my country but mostly class prejudice. So far I have not experience any racial discrimination and Studying in New York I feel more at ease that when I was in my courty.	174
19	Black	Student	No.	175
19	Black	student		176
19	Black	working in mall		177
19	Chinese	Student	Currently studying in the States.	301
19	Human	Sophmore at Occidental College	i'd rather be truly color blind...not to your red, yellow, and blue pigments-- but those that run deeper...hues of melanin.	327
19	Korean American	Student	hi there!	333
19	Laotian	Undergraduate Student	I am a member of the Minnesota Army National Guard. My military occupation is an Administrative Specialist(Clerk Typist-71L). I have been in the National Guard since July 1999 and I am proud of my military achievements!	334

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19	Laotian	Undergraduate Student	I am a member of the Minnesota Army National Guard. My military occupation is an Administrative Specialist(Clerk Typist-71L). I have been in the National Guard since July 1999 and I am proud of my military achievements!	335
20	Asian	Student	i dunno what the questionairre is all about, but i think i should give it a try!	12
20	Biracial	Student	Queer	27
20	Black	College student	I really like your goal in creating this site and look forward to reading the data you collect from this survey.	47
20	Black	student	I know you very well. I like your art and your books. And you	106
20	Black	student	yeah this is cool people need to get out of their comfort zones	107
20	Black	Student	I am a studio art and Women's Studies major.	179
20	Black	Student	Lesbian	180
20	Black	full time student	Biology Pre-Medicine Major	181
20	Latina	student	dominican parents	336
21	Biracial	student	wasn't sure which test to take	35
21	Black	Currently, College Student	Blessed Woman of God!	95
21	Black	student	first generation born in the states	111
21	Black	student	i would like to be a filmmaker one day.	182
21	Black	student	do you offer scholarships,or, can I apply for a job	290
21	Mulatto	SCHOOL	WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A QUESTIONAIRE FOR PEOPLE BI-RACIAL PEOPLE?	346
22	Black	between jobs	i am also and artist, visual and performing	187
22	White	student	i don't know if you wil get this, but, i'm an art education student at ball state university, and would like to request any information that is relative to the area of elementary art. could you help me?	356
23	Black	Chef/ fulltime student	I'm going to school for my certificate in early childhood development.We had to pick author of childrens books and do a boigraphy on them. I chose you. My daughter,Damali(3), loves your books.	192
24	Asian American	Pre-service elementary teacher	My students and I thank you for the inspiration.	17
25	Black	Worker, artist, intellectual	Lover	193
25	Black	Student	I really like chicken.	194

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26	Biracial	Policy Analyst	Surprised there is no questionnaire for us bi-racial folks, not only black/white, but other mixes with white, or other very distinct racial/ethnic/cultural mixtures (i.e. White/Asian,White/Arab etc.) ; I feel we ( bi-racial) have a diffeent perspective than a lump sum category like "people of color" can address, especially when we are mixed with what is often perceived as the dominate American culture:white.	31
26	Black	RN	I really think that your are a great person my child was doing a report on you and i got to learn a lot about you.	78
27	Black	emerging thinker & MAMArtist	Recently I learned of a trial project at Howard University where people of color could pay to have their DNA tested against a pool of genetic data sampled from over 200 African communities. As a missi'sippi deltachild, I remember Tuskegee...such a tragedy is difficult to forget, but I still think I would be willing to pay for anything, any hope no matter how fleeting, that would help me piece together the tattered threads of my ancestry.	100
27	Black	Investor Relations Representative,	I enjoy quilting, crafting and cooking	116
27	Mexican Native American	STUDENT	AS A PERSON OF MEXICAN DESCENT. I CONSIDER MYSELF AND MY PEOPLE TO BE NATIVE AMERICANS. I KNOW THAT WE ARE EXCLUDED FROM THIS CATEGORY BY THE US GOVERNMENT BECAUSE THEN THEY WOULD HAVE EVEN MORE EXPLAINING TO DO. :)	345
28	Asian Indian	Mechanical Engineer	I do not work at present. Iam a stay at home mom.	20
28	Black	Student/Bartender/Hostess	Out lesbian currently in an interracial relationship. Lived in SC all of my life.	200
28	Dominican	Student/Artist	I am married to a Dutch man.	307
28	Fillipino Irish	Educator	Filling in the Race or Ethnicity box made me feel uncomfortable as I do not have a particular race or ethnicity being a product of two cultures/ethnicities.The question makes me feel as though I must choose between the two.Changing the format to "Please describe your ethnic or racial background" changes for those who are mixed the implications behind such a questions.	314
29	Black	admin. assistant/student of life	single mother of an adorable 8-yr-old boy	51
29	Black	Preschool Teacher/College Student	I really love your art collections!!!	52
29	Black	Artist and visionary and diva	I trust life.	203

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29	Black	Assistant Professor	I teach African American art history courses and African American Studies. My students love Faith's work.	204
29	Black	Writer, Activist, Love	I am a blk dyke	283
29	Black	receptionist	i am an artschool student and am struggling to make ends meet.i would like it best if i did not have to work as many hours while going to school, it makes it difficult to get more classes.	284
30	Biracial	Art Teacher	I am African -American European through year of identity crisis with my background I have come to this ethnicity fo myself.It has been a challenge me as bi-racial growing up in America.At first, I felt ashamed of who I was but through years of experience and seeing different views, I now realize I have the BEST of both worlds.My father is African American and my mother is from France...it is through them that I have come to appreciate all races, backgrounds, ALL people.If you need more input on this matter I would be more than happy to help more. By the way, I was reasearching for information concerning traditional art and quilting in America for my Art Appreciation class.Thank you!	29
30	Black	Curator/ Ph.D Student	plus-sized, multi-lingual, bisexual, beautiful, smart, charming, a good heart, great smile, white teeth, flawless skin.	206
30	Black	librarian	love your books!	207
31	b/nai	nursing	college degree, tech school, carpentry experience	21
31	Black	Social Worker		123
31	Black	Finance Project Manager	Originally a health care background with a graduate level Ivy League education.Because I am extremely fair, I am generally assumed to biracial or Hispanic. But I am not.	124
32	Black	POLICE DISPATCHER	MY GREAT GRAND MOTHER WAS BLACKFOOT (NATIVE AMERICAN)	56
32	Black	Processing Technician	Bachelor's degree and traveled internationally.Of the Christian faith.	215
32	Hispanic	Secretary A - Medical	Educated, and bread winner of my family, lots of brothers and sisters. My parents are still together after 30 years	323
33	Black	Legal Administrative Assistant	I do not want to be white.	287
33	Chicana	Master Electrician (theatre), writer	I'm very light skinned, so in the eyes of strangers I wake up white every morning.People are surprised to hear my name, surprised when I tell them I'm Latina.Just the other day someone I take a class with asked me if I'm Irish.This despite the fact that he knew my very rice and beans first name.The complexities of race and ethnicity go so much deeper than skin!	299

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35	Black	registrar	wife, mother, parttime research consultant for a major black cultural publication.	126
35	Black	Writer and Photographer	I am a lesbian feminist.	226
36	Biracial	Teacher, writer	"she never wanted/no never wanted to be white/she wanted to be darker"-- mary hope lee	42
36	Biracial	English Teacher (adult education)	Married to a white Austrian. Have two daughters(Aisha:3 1/2 years, Shania6 months)who look white..but not as white as their Austrian friends!	45
39	Black	freelance writer	I was born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1961.My father was a doctor, my mother a housewife.We moved to a predominantly white, but integrated suburb, Shaker Heights, when I was 10 years old.I tell you this, because I think these facts might influence my answers below.	77
40	Black	Writer, international consultant, vocalist	This test is extremely cool, thanks!	278
40	Black	Assistant Professor	Mother of 3	237
40	Black	ticket agent	socially aware	239
42	Black	Police Adm. Aide	Why is it that the white people get to be (A) and people of Color (B).Why couldn't it be the other way around.	61
42	Black	Probation Officer	Artist	133
42	Black	artist attorney	human being	134
42	Black	Assistant Manager in a bank	an artist in an uptight work environment.	242
43	Black	teacher	what a very powerful study, I feel that lifewould be very harsh for me I love my culture mypeople, my past family. Black women we share a very unique gift of beauty and talent and skills.I know that I'm a jewel. I have a rase since of beauty and the gift of wisdom. Wisdom that was passed on from my grandmother who could never read or write yet I have never met any one with her wealth and beauty. Nor have I met anyone who could bake a bread pudding like h	137
43	Black	Department Secretary	I am a single mom of a beautiful, wonderful, fabulously talented, adopted African American son.	138
43	Black	elementary assistant principal	moved to los angeles at the age of four.been here ever since.	244
43	Black	Artist/bookseller	I love myself.	245
44	Black	Student/bookseller	I am a married mother of two daughters, and read voraciously and sew and quilt on;y less so	246
44	Black	non profit administrator	My mother was white/jewish and my father black. I have always identified as black and not mixed/multi-racial or whatever the current buzz word is.	247

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44	Jamaican American	college administrator	mother of two adopted, mixed race sons	330
45	Asian American	Artist	I also do public relations part-time for a small museum in NYC. I have a bi-racial daughter (Asian/Caucasian) who many people have guessed looks like she is Latina.	18
45	Black	Special Educ. Teacher	I am a 45 yr young wife, mother, daughter, artist, teacher, poet, and so much more!	143
45	Black	mother	I am married to a german and have been for 24 years.	248
45	Black	Special Education Teacher	Member of St. John Missionary Baptist Church, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.I love books and I like to read.My future goal is to write a children's book.	291
46	Biracial	Just finished BFA, going on to graduate school.	I lived in France for 11 years.It was so wonderful to wake up each day and live as a person, without being pre-defined by the color of my skin.I have never readjusted to life in America.	37
46	Black	Full time student	I don't think that there is much difference waking up female and white, however, if I woke one morning and found myself to be a white male, I'd immediately commit suicide.	145
46	Black	artist		249
46	Black	Art Teacher	I'm from a large family, my mother's family even larger, women quilters go way back. My past includes many races of people, black, native americans blackfoot and white. Maybe more I can't be sure of.	250
46	Kiowa (North American Indian) Tribe	Art instructor and Job Assistance Counselor	MA in Art struggle with finding my place in this world. Affected by the extermination policy of the US Govt. Loss of culture through assimilation of my mother. Father Irish, mother Kiowa. Embrace both racial identities	332
47	Black	Artist/Singer-Songwriter	any responses to what I say, or inquires can be sent to	90
47	Black	Teacher	Hi, Mom.	253
47	Puerto Rican	Office Manager and art history student	Mother of two young adults.	353
48	Biracial	Writer, Philosopher	I think all the time.	38
48	Filipina-American & Cacasian	Artist/Instructor	Was raised without Filipina-American Culture. Mother is white (french/Spanish/German), grew up seeing the world as "white" and learning to be Filipina - woman of color.	312
49	Asian			13
49	Latina	High School Teacher	I have just completed my graduate degree in Greek Mythology, which I teach to seniors.	339

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50	Black	U S Postal Worker	This is the first year that I can be me. I have spent fifty years being my parents daughter, thirty years being mama, and about that many being the wife of a few husbands. This is the first year for me to be me. I am going to make a living writing or I am going to be an expert at writing signs that say "i'll work for food and shelter."	277
50	Biracial	EDUCATOR/PERFORMING ARTIST	THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO EXPLORE RACE FROM A MORE CREATIVE DIRECTION	23
50	Black	Paralegal	Please send me results of both black and white answers...I am curious - I have worked and lived in an environment where I am only one of a very few and truly believe that no one wants me to achieve more than they do.But I have to strive to be better and have more than my peers...and I do have more money in the bank, my kids have more on the ball, my husband is super successful, my house is envied, I know how to dress for success and leisure, I volunteer way more than others, etc.	68
51	Black	Executive Assistant	Past elected school board member	152
51	Black	higher education administrator	mom	153
51	Black	elementary school teacher	I am a christian and believe that god has a plan for my life no matter what my color	275
52	Black	Life activist	enviromentalist, spirilis, Temples daughter, Bootsy little girl, Boo Boo	71
52	Black	quilter/teacher/chauffeur/homemaker	I'm also an entrepenuer.	264
52	Black	Computer technology	My grandmother was a freed slave. I am involved currently studying slave life to develop a recreation of a kitchen dependency behind historic Riversdale Mansion in Rlverdale Park, Maryland.	265
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53	Black	cloth doll& quilt artist; researcher , writer	Am concerned with lack of documentation by quilters of color.	72
54	Black	Part time office manager and substitute teacher	college graduat of a HBUC.Majored in Math and worked as a software engineer.Stop working to raise 2 children who are now attending another HBUC in Florida.	73
54	Black	Media	Filmmaker/Teacher	156

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54	Black	Writer/Teacher	I am the cousin of Moses and Marjery. Marjery speaks well of you.	268
55	Black	Artist/Educator	Sandra I am working on a catalogue of a 82 year-old African American artistwho appears to be white but says he is "one hundred percent culturally black," and that if he were white he would be recognized, rich, appreciated, etc....That black people don't accept him and white people resent him because he doesn't pass.	157
55	Black	Consultant	Retired college administrator	158
57	Biracial	retired	Most people think that when you are bi-racial, or as I am; that you then have a choice.No, you don't.You are all of what is there.I am thankful to be as I am. I can feel the pain and injustices that all that is within me feels.And I do all that I can to bring a better understanding between all parts of the human race.Did I just say a singular word; race Yet, that is what we are.And the one thing that holds us together is that we are all human.I too, am a doll artist.And, I hope that through my dolls I can bring understanding and respect to all parts of the human race.	39
57	Black	teacher	Associate Arts Degree BA in Music MS in Education	86
58	Asian	writer		14
60	Black	retired teacher	quilt artist	91
61	Black	Retired Educator	Love being Black.I would like for ALL to understand that we love our race.It is my prayer that more African-American would seek education as some freedom, but we need more opportunities to earn top incomes and I believe that we can only do that as more generations become better educated.I've witnessed that many parents do not push education and kids begin to work at an early age which sacrifices their focus on being a better student. On the other hand, I have witnessed that teachers do not give our students as much encouragement as they do other than Black children.Again, it speaks to the fact that parents need to encourage their children to be respectful, intelligent, and interested in being the best student and person that they can be.	92
63	Japanese	sales	I'm married to a Caucasian. I'm third generation Japanese. I have three children .	331

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70	Black	retired political communications consultant	have three talented children-geri agosto, greg tate, brian tate; and four beautiful and bright grandchildren, samori, kilamba and nzinga agosto and chinara tate. my first greatgrand, elias agosto is 7 months old. married 45 years to charles tate, a brilliant economic development theoretician.	274
73	Black	Historian-Retired	Worked for 20 plus years for the Smithsonian Institution. With a focus on Afro-centric & multi-racial issues, most important work done at the Anacostia Neighborhood Museum in D.C.	80
	Black	student	first generation born in the states	84
	Black	student	Guinea is located in west Africa. It's on the Atlantic coast. Guinea is different from New Guinea.	93
	Hispanic	sub-teacher	There are better things to be than white. There are more important things than knotty-kinky hair. But, wouldn't it be nice not to worry about the rain so much...	324