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## Who do you want to be?

The question "who are you" is one that is hard to answer. I would argue that we don't ever truly know who we are. We are complicated and complex beings in a much bigger and even more complex universe, one that we don't have the conscience to even phantom. Our talents, passions, and values are ideas we share but are they truly even ours? Or are they just ideas from another, shaped and construed to fit us? The question I think needs to be asked is who do you want to be, how do you want others to view you, and talk about how this vision you have in your head matches how people actually see you. The combination of how you view yourself and how others view you is I believe the most accurate version of who/what you are.

If I were to try to break myself down and explain who I am, I would start off by saying I'm a very abstract person. I believe in everything but nothing all at once. I have an idea of who I am and I understand that, but I don't think I fully understand who I am as a person. When I think of myself I don't necessarily think of words but more of an image, a ball of energy that is trying to make it out amongst all the chaos. I can be very happy and funny, this is how I think most people perceive me. I grew up being sort of a class clown, but never for a particular reason, and if so a reason I'm still unaware of. It wasn't because of the attention but for a more innocent reason. Just being able to make others happy was fun to

me and it was something I thought or still think is the most wholesome thing to do for yourself and others. Laugher is the purest form of energy that can be transferred through almost anybody, no matter what language you speak or what side of the world you come from. With this carefree side also comes a side of passion. I'm passionate about a lot of things but a master of none. Most notably I am very politically aware and involved. When people are willingly ignorant about affairs of the world that affects them, or maybe not them but those close to them, I view that as such a cowardly thing to do. I have zero tolerance for comments built on blatant ignorance, and for myself, I am constantly receptive to new ways of thinking, as I think everyone should be. Change is something that I used to see as a challenge and maybe a bad thing. But for myself, over the last two years change has happened so much, I've learned to embrace it. Without change how can we grow? So I try to always challenge myself in ways that will build my character and ready me for the future. For me, college was a huge change, leaving the comfort of a building I spent almost eight years at, to a completely new and awkward environment. It forced me to learn more about myself, how I learn, make relationships, and how can I adapt. I think I'm doing fairly well, I'm able to adapt to new situations pretty easily thankfully.

To close this off, I hope you've learned some things about me. Writing about yourself isn't something that is easy, but I do like the challenge so I tried in the only way I know how. One last way I would describe myself is as a song, for me music is a way to escape this plain and constricting world into something more light and imaginative. If I were to be a song it would have to be "Rushes" by Frank Ocean.