

7 feb 2019 Update:

Hello, its us, the admins back again. We know some of you will be reading this post this CNY, and we thought that we should write a short note about the things we learned and noticed since this doc was created.

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/Basilleejh/posts/10156507783532779>

## **CNY POWER PLAY 2016** **(LOCKDOWN MODE)**

*Hello. I'm compiling a list of power plays and microaggressions thinly disguised as harmless CNY banter about 'your boy/ girl'. Please feel free to add to the list. One day, when civil society looks back upon the atrocities committed in the past, they will find this document useful.*

# **CNY MICROAGGRESSION SUBMISSION FORM HERE: (Form's closed, CNY's OVER! :D**

## **Thank you folks for having shared your CNY sorrows, till next time! )**

**<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11imkeyXNkntqLsDj7HAQeIKjziTU3X7INpG2wEUw57Y/viewform>**

**Live feed of responses here:**

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1oOOU96IPCaUjJchdUGPTqVWJZ1cKyuvFVBbvUQFzE-0/edit?usp=sharing>

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**Reddit Post:**

[https://www.reddit.com/r/singapore/comments/44sz6u/compilation\\_of\\_all\\_the\\_crap\\_people\\_say\\_on\\_cny/](https://www.reddit.com/r/singapore/comments/44sz6u/compilation_of_all_the_crap_people_say_on_cny/)

**Mothership.sg Post:**

<http://mothership.sg/2016/02/crowdsourced-database-of-snide-cny-remarks-created-by-for-bored-young-singaporeans/>

**Asian Correspondent Post:**

<https://asiancorrespondent.com/2016/02/singaporeans-report-300-instances-microaggressions-chinese-new-year/>

**Yahoo Singapore Post:**

<https://sg.news.yahoo.com/compilation-of-snarky-chinese-new-year-banter-goes-023946436.html>

**[USER COMMENTS]**

- Glad to know that i'm not alone lol thx guys
- Welcome:D
- Should we sort these into categories? For easy reference + facilitates mental prep when we need it again nxt yr.(Comment: only after the whole list is completed)
  - ◆ (Admin: Yeah, but with all that is coming in, We think the list should be just updated first and we will do the dirty work of sorting like tonight)
- Thought I'd add an informal "like" thing for the entries (like that [+1]) -
  - ◆ (Admin: Yeah that sounds good!)
  - ◆ Admin: Alright, COMMENTS ARE BACK ON.
- [I'm not an Admin!] Maintaining backups at <http://bit.ly/1nYrJlp> (in the event this document gets destroyed)
- Best thing I've seen this CNY. Keep it up, guys!
- Yo, made a short game inspired by the responses here if anyone wants to play it:  
<http://philome.la/blade-cleaner/chinese-new-year/play>
  - ◆ (Admin: I LOVE THIS!)

[PDF Archives]

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6Lpn21C\\_zHCVTZBZGVVW1HajA/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B6Lpn21C_zHCVTZBZGVVW1HajA/view)

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## CNY DAY 1

- "What's your son doing nao?"
- "How much WAS HIS O'LEVEL"
- **"MY SON CAN GIVE YOUR SON TUITION"**
- "GOT GIRL FRIEND"
- "WHEN MARRY?"
- "MY SON MARRY ALREADY"
  - *"poor thing one step closer to grave"*
- "MY SON LAST TIME OCS"
- ORD LOH
- "your daughter finish o level already right? next year going where?"
- Have your son/daughter met God?
- When you go NS. Must be like my son, OCS cadet wing comm?"
- **MY SON DROVE US HERE IN HIS NEW CAR, VERY HARD TO FIND PARKING YOU KNOW**
- **SEE THIS PRIVILEGE BANKING ANGBAO FROM MY SON'S BANK ONE, HE BANKER YA [+3]**
  - yo, i'm working in the back office in private banking and even i get those angbaos [+1]
- MYY SON SAY ORGANIC VEGGIES HEALTHIER, HAVE YOU TRIED IT
- **MY SON STILL HAS TO GO BACK SERVE NS IN 2020, HE'S STUDYING MEDICINE YOU SEE**
- **GAHMEN VERY UNFAIR DON'T LET MY SON BUY HDB, SAY HE EARNING TOO MUCH, AIYOH**
- THIS BAG MY SON BUY FOR ME FROM USA ONE, HE WORKS THERE SAY VERY CHEAP THERE
- NOWADAYS THESE TECHNOLOGY, MY SON BUY IPAD FOR ME I ALSO DUNNO HOW TO USE
- **\*DRAMATIC APPLE WATCH WRIST FLICK\***
  - ***^WIN [+100000]***
- Wa fat liao hor
  - My mum cooking skill too good already.
- Got job already?
- Huh work at hospital? You not scared ah
- **"MY FREN'S SON REAL DOCTOR" (suffered by my brother who is studying to be a vet)**
  - *ouch*
  - *real power play*
  - *Also, 'Is vet even considered a real doctor ah?'*
  - *Vet not good meh? Next time you sick come see me ah.*
  - *DAYUM, SON. Your relatives are cold motherfuckers.*
  - *THAT IS NOT NICE AT ALL*
  - *Good lah auntie next time when you suffering HBP/arthritis/gout/insert disease got free consultation already*
- 'Eh you don't have girlfriend/ boyfriend yet ah? Make sure you don't bring same sex back can already'
- "My daughter is dating an OCT."
  - you know OCT are lowest lifeforms right?
  - you know some of them don't make it right?
  - i will just fucking shoot back "officers are overrated"
- 'This is the same girlfriend from last year right? Never change girlfriend hor.'
  - 'This is the same question from last year right? Never change question hor'. (wow this is good) [+1]
  - 'I'm sorry auntie, I never got the chance to have multiple husbands either.' (+1)
- "Im asking because even though i see you once a year, i care for you"
- 'You in art school ah. OHHH my son different type one. He study science and business. Which Uni you in ah? Oh not in Uni ah? Then you study where?'
- "Monaash uh, why not Unimelb?"
  - Because Monash has a much better programme and will better prepare me for life after graduation. Branding isn't everything
- 'You study anthropology no future one. Dont waste money, go into business school'
- "Why u want to do design?" [+2]
- "u do what in art school ah? design what, design ang bao ah?" [+3]

- “i hear your cousin boyfriend study design, in the end become ang bao designer leh!” [+1]
- “so.. what u going to do after graduating from art school?” “what is the starting pay like? i heard like not high right?” [+1]
- **“Eh I thought you are the one who got the scholarship? Oh, not you ah?”**
- ‘Social workers are not as important as lawyers’
  - “Auntie when you need help from the government I’ll be sure to tell them you said that”
- “You NS in Police? ....Oh” \*end of conversation\*
- “you stay hall ah? i heard a lot of story from hall leh. make sure you don’t bring boy back ah!”
- Work for garmen very good one. A lot of benefits!
- “engaged already must think of having kids, your parents will want grandchildren”
  - Where is my grandson/daughter?
  - ‘So-and-so is already having a second baby, you must jia you also.’ ==
- “Why you never join DXO”
- “My son DSA, not easy you know, poor boy must study and go for extra lesson”
- “my son got offer letter into NTU alr” <- How is this bragging?
- “What if your son is gay?” ← LOL SAVAGE
- “what you do in army?”
- “Air force lepak, only 8-5 one” [+1]
  - RSAF, Rarely Seen After Five
- “when I was an nsf” (oh good lord)
- “As your aunt, I deserve to know everything.” [+11111111]
- I am her daughter and I don’t tell her everything.
- “Huh you go poly ah?”
- **“Lasalle? You mean Nafa is it?” (+74128942140)**
- “You are his parent, I am his aunt”
- “Wa! You so slim now ah! So pretty ya.”
- “You’re so clever what...You’re in NUS right! \*but person is actually not in NUS\*”
- “So what is your criteria for guys? You know nowadays people don’t ask these kind of questions anymore. \*Still proceeds to ask\*”
- **“My cholesterol is definitely lower than yours now”**
  - **I think so too. My blood test report shows my HDL SMUPER HIGH ah!**
- “I thought driver do nothing...”
- “Going to uni is very important... to find your lifelong partner”
- “Cannot find boyfriend ah? Go NUS’s medicine or law faculty walk one round”
- “Go join all those orientation camp confirm can find gf. Must stay in hall even if you stay in clementi must die die stay in hall if not cannot find gf”
- “so which uni are you going to?... why not local uni?” \*a few years later\* “actually hor just get any degree can already”
- “Ah eat, eat summore!”
- “why you drink cold drink? drink too much not good”
  - my TCM sensei ask me to drink more leh
- “What’s MDIS?”
- “You Guardsman or Clerk?” \*replies you’re in SCDF\*
  - “what do you guys do in SCDF? is it always saving cats?”
- my son got gf alrly but still has not bring her home
- **“You go into local U? Really?”**
- **“your parents no money send you to international U?”**
  - *Wow this is rude.*
- “my son got gf alrly but still has not bring her home. I dont know if real one”
  - 2d waifu for laifu
- “my daughter stay cinnamon hall, you stay where?”
  - Cinnamon’s not even a hall HAHABA
- “what course is that? my son’s studying international business. Single digit cut off point you know”
- **“Your Malay girlfriend where?”**

- “So what are you doing now? Graduated already ah? Aiyo you everyday stay home do what? Got go find work?”
- “After this what? Sign on is it?”
- “What you studying ah? Huh, arts ah? Then next time do what, teacher ah?”
  - the woes of wanting to be creative in sg hais
- “My boy very hard working go do part time work. Ah boy ah you earned how much? One hour how much ah? Last month you earned two thousand plus right! Hahahahah he do OT got extra pay!”
- “This one flower real or not real?”
- “Quickly get married, your girlfriend can’t wait any longer you know?” \*my gf was right beside me...\*
- “Go,go, step up the weighing machine. You look fatter already.”
  - [alternate version] “ah yo why you so skinny! you diet is it! go put on some weight so skinny also not nice” [+1]
    - (said person actually has eating issues she’s struggling to get over - the aunts don’t need to know that of course)
- **“Haiyo, drink more green tea. You got so much pimples on your face eh!”**
  - *[Future responses] you drink more la you look like jabba the hut.*
  - *Mine was “wah still look the same! so many pimples!”*
- When your turn to give red packet?
- “wa you so chubby now ah, means you v prosperous!”
- **“You dye your hair until liddat, nice meh?”**
- ah boy yah ah mah gei ni hong bao
- “ ah girl, ah ma want to see you get married “ / “ ah girl, ah ma wants to be there when you get married” (she said it 4 times over lunch god help me)
- ORDLOH!
- My son is starting his own business venture (actually it’s fucking **MLM** and you need to buy his products first)
- (my sister is dating a German) Europeans are good lovers but long term cannot work out. You must be careful of his parents, don’t trust them - **Spinster Aunt**
- Huh, your son/daughter still study overseas ah? Why so long one? Later bring back angmoh bf/gf how?
- Have you found a job?
  - Jobs? Oh they came looking for me and I am undecided.
- When are you graduating? Haven’t graduated yet?
- You’re STILL not attached yet?
- How much are you earning?
  - Enough to pay for everything I want.
- What are you studying in uni ah? (Asked every single year #okcan do you even care) [+1]
- How come you haven buy house???? Can rent one room so you dun have to pay for it already!
- You want to receive hong bao till when? Not getting married?
- Eh my customer’s cousin’s brother still single also leh, you want to see his picture or not
- No need to work after uni is it? haven’t found a job?
- **“What you working as now ah?” “journalist” “that one real job ah?”**
  - *[to stay at home aunts]Yes, as real a job as a housewife*
  - *Yah real job. It pays. And I get to write stuff for a living. Stuff you read and share with your friends.*
- (every year) So how old are you again?
- Wah, xxxx is so thin and pretty now hor don’t u think (i shall remain fat forever)
- Eh, you working already right? very rich now right! (wtf)
- Eh your job very free one right? Bring me go gai gai sometimes leh
- Wah just buy new car ah? Your daddy/mummy buy one right? They so good to you, better give them alot of money when you work ah
- Eh, i saw that you went xxxxx on facebook, so rich ah!
  - variation: wah, your father earn a lot of money hor!
- **You studying IT ah? IT not good, next time the Indians take over your job.**

- **[RUSTLING INTENSIFIES]**
- eh your husband job so good, no need work lah, work hard for baby
- your instagram very inactive leh, busy studying is it?
- heng ah, your baby dont look like both of you [+2]
- [to arts student] "wah I see you putting the food on the table, like very... *ARTISTIC* hor" [repeats this for every single thing I do. Sitting is artistic. eating is artistic. do you mean artistic or autistic. pls stop. am literally just EATING.] [+111]
- (regarding your brother who has gone overseas to study for the 5th year) WHERE IS YOUR BROTHER STUDYING AH? (wtf, i have told every single time every year??!!)
- oh you are studying arts? can be arts teacher next time!
- Why you wear until like that? (girl with short hair wearing NOT a dress)
- "What are you studying? [for my sister] linguistics??! But you're so smart, what a waste!"
  - *LOLOL I'm not Chinese but get this kinda crap when I go back to visit my relatives in India. All the best guys! And Happy lunar new year! :) sux to be us lol :<. Agreed!*
- [Studying law] "Wah, Law ah!!! Eh next time when uncle have legal matters to settle, cannot charge me okay!!"
  - COMMENT: This one isn't that stupid... it's just a failed joke
  - "don't worry uncle next time your divorce i help you do"[+1]
- "You so quiet, you sure you can become lawyer anot??"
- "So you studying law ah? I got this agreement my boss ask me to write. Can you help me do ah? You study contract law already right?"
- Final year already? What are you going to do after NS? (Only guys would understand)
- **Oh youre studying marketing? The pay very low one leh! (wtf are you living my life)**
  - u mean u get that even for *marketing*
  - wth we literally just can't escape this 'you're studying **xxx**, pay very low one leh!'
  - yup, judged for pursuing my passion... -.-
  - i'm in art and they say the same thing [+1] [+1] [+1][+1][+1]
  - my brother is in economics and they say the same thing
  - like guys pls listen to yourselves omg
  - as long as it's not finance/doctor/medicine/law you dont earn enough for them wtf [+111111]
  - 0 LIES: even if you are in fin/med/law. they will still find a way to judge you!
  - anything we do is essentially *not enough* for them tbh
  - Singapore
  - #yudodis
  - like we are providing for them or something lol crazy
- **Why you date foreigner? You mean Singapore got no more guys/girls around huhhhh?**
  - [Future Response] *Because their one big big, I like big big. Datswai.*
  - [Future Response] I scared they become like you
- (in front of your gf/bf) EH THIS ONE NEW ONE AH? Last time one look better leh, aiyo why like that?
- EH WHY YOU DONT WANT STUDY MEDICINE OR LAW AH? ALOT OF MONEH LEH!
- Are you sure you not pregnant? Eat until siao leh..
- **You eat so many love letters won't get real one la [+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1+2+3+28,092]**
  - *Wow, harsh.*
  - *keeping this one in my wallet for future use*
- I notice you have been eating alot of pineapple tart/bakwa... (WHAT ARE U HINTING THERE LADY)
- "whats sota. orh i know its laselle right. is it you draw and sing 24/7. isn't your hand tired."
  - *we literally do H2/3 level mathematics and science and economics the same as any other JC can u not [+1 hi junior] [don't worry the same question will follow you into uni]*
- **(Just started to use my phone) Eh texting bf/gf is it? Why never bring leh?**
  - LOL this is true, wtf. ikr super annoying [+3]
  - And when you are not using your phone: Eh why aren't you texting your bf/gf. later he/she lonely. [+1]
  - yah then after bring gf/bf, launch into the whole bullshit of "Wah you all serious already ah?". Like wtf is serious and non-serious?

- Why your hair make until like that? You mean its kooool ah?
- "You haven't found a job arh? How long already, just find a job to do for fun/pass time la!"
- **Eh go poly cannot go uni right? (And then after I've made it into NUS) Eh go poly actually quite good hor?**
  - wtf why are they so rude! tsk
- Journalist do what one? Fun meh? [+1] [+1][+1]
  - >Mum proudly tells everyone she meets, 'My daughter is working at a newspaper!' Everyone ignores her and continues grilling brother about why he doesn't have a proper job yet [+1]
- "You work as journalist ah? Can write article about my xxxxxxxx?" ("Scuse me, I'm not your personal publicity machine)
- Enjoying your job? Well as long as you're happy....
- So you work in retail ah? What kind? (Store manager...) Can get me a discount next time I go not?
- So you got first class honors not? (wahlah eh also not you study, you know how hard not??) [+1]
- WHAT IS YOUR GPA? (are u kidding me)
  - i'll probably retort back with like 6.141
- Eh why you always go play sports under the sun, later black black nobody want how? [+1]
  - My mom always says when i start working i'll go back to my natural light skinned colour even though i've never been fair my whole life?!?!?!?!?!?
- Actually good that you're not with (ex-bf) anymore, I didn't think you were compatible
  - THIS IS TERRIBLE OF THEM. SERIOUSLY, THX FOR JUDGING [+1]
- I think you don't eat so much la, later not pretty already
  - "Ya, later I become like you"
- You sure your guy/girl best friend just friend only not? Dont lie to aunty, I eat more salt than you eat more rice! (SHUTTUP!)
  - Salt? like cum? cum is salty ;)
- (Playing black jack) Eh, you started working already right? can lose money la...
  - (if person is married and planning to have kids) "Wah, trying to win more money for milk powder arh?"
- Eh so you study science one right? Got way can make me get rid of wrinkles or not? Tell me about cancer! [+1]
  - (once start explaining) they just walk away. THEN WHY ASK ME EXPLAIN????
  - [Response] Sorry, there are some things even God cant' fix.
  - [Response] Go korea/thailand lor
- **"So how much is your salary? -gives a range- How much exactly?"**
- **"So how is your GPA?" -mentioned Second Lower- "So what is it exactly?"**
- Eh, you havent graduate ah, how come so long? Like never graduating one..
  - *because working life, like you, suck*
- Why you wear that? I thought this style outdated already?
  - And then you proceed to look at what they wear and wonder to yourself "insert thought here"
    - "Eh Aunty your birthday I buy you mirror, you use more ok?" Is what I will reply from now on [+1]
- EH QUICK GO TELL YOUR AUNTY'S COUSIN'S SON HAPPY NEW YEAR (I have never met you in my entire life)
- **EH YOU GOT CALL THEM OR NOT? NEW YEAR CANNOT SO RUDE AH!**
  - (wah i swear this one needs a [+1][+10][+10+100+10000000000000])
  - Omg YASSSS +∞
  - Super paiseh when your parents literally shouts at you sia!
  - Doesn't help that certain traditional families insist on the "chinese greeting", can't just simply call them Uncle and Auntie. Bonus points if your family consists of at least more than 20 people.
  - Wah my chinese cmi, can call uncle/aunty anot?
  - idk about you guys, but my aunt/uncle PULLS their child around to greet each person individually (fuck sia the fam + relative already 30+ people they actually go around doing that!!)
- **COME HERE LET YOUR AUNTY HUG THEN CAN GET ANGPAO (i rather dont want the angpao)**

- **sure bo**
- don't want angpao can give me
- similar version: "all of u come here and line up in front of aunty and give me a hug each"
- alternative version: "**you all line up in front of aunty and say a CNY greeting then I give u angbao - must be different CNY greeting!**"
  - *Dong dong **fucking** chiang*
- [INTERNAL LOUD SCREAMING: KILL ME NOW KILL ME KILL ME KILL ME KILL ME]
- its like you being paid to do something you dont want to do but have no choice.
- **This is the last year I'm giving you ang pow.**
- Wah look at your childhood photos, last time SO CUTE!!
  - "You mean I'm not cute anymore?!"
- Haven't find bf yet?! Don't be so picky, as long as is guy can already
  - to married or attached people my usual go to is, "your partner is anyhow pick one ah?" in front of said partner. (they think they have the rights to say that when they're attached, but have dug a shithole for themselves)
- **EH you can play (instrument) right? QUICK QUICK HERE GOT! PLAY FOR EVERYONE!**
  - yours not bad alr, today i saw my cousins lug their violin to my grandparents place to perform for 'whoever is there'
  - so poor thing
  - Oh dear :<
  - Worse if they ask you to sing
- (Having relatives compete by seeing who stays longer at the place where we are visiting)
- **Wah no honours not scared cannot find job ah? Later become road sweeper how? (Thanks, I found a job before graduation)**
- \*not sure if this counts b
- ut\* *relatives bitching about their nieces' outfits behind their backs*
- **From reunion dinner: "Wah, you're becoming/looking more and more like your mother! Jialat liao."** (*fuck you lah you insult me still can, how dare you insult my mother also jfc*)
  - *don't treat it as an insult. counter her back. "why jialat? I look like my mum means she give birth to me lah." then bring out all your mum positive point.*



## CNY DAY 2

- Wah ah boy ah! How tall are you? Got play basketball anot? Got 6 feet anot? (Lord help me I'm actually 1.9m why)
  - *Wow thats tall,....but do you?* (NO I'M A DESIGNER)
    - *so you ....design...lamp posts?* XD (angbaos actually no i kid)
- Wah boy so tall ah! Careful don't hit your head on the ceiling fan hor!
- When you enter MRT need to bend down your head anot ah?
- Not married already? No money? Don't worry about money la! 船到桥头自然直. It will come one.
- Good to get married early. Earlier the better.
- Oh yeah, I'm from NUS leh, you're NTU one ah? (cousin egged on by aunt)
  - need to understand, the auntie also from NTU ... **NTUC. [+1]**
  - **oh my god.**
- (when asked to gamble) No lah, I don't play so small one
- Girl ah! So tall how to find boyfriend? (Sobs bye high heels)
- Are you done with the bathroom? I need to use it.
  - *How is this even a power play?*
  - **my shit is more important than ur shit lolololol**
- EH U STUDY POLITICS AH? WANT TO BECOME MP IZZIT? LIKE TIN PEI LING AH?
  - literally get this ALL THE DAMN TIME
  - [Future response] ask them if people studying geology, is it want become rocks??
- U STUDY POLITICS GRADUATE DO WHAT? GOT HONOURS NOT? HOW IS THE SALARY LIKE? WORK FOR GARMEN ONE AH?
- THIS TWO (MY BROTHER AND I) ANGMOPAI ONE, MUST SPEAK ENGLISH TO THEM ONLY (we're both chinese wtf - like sg education no chinese lessons)
  - THIS
  - THIS x2
- Eh you study music ah, Singapore got music industry meh? [+1]
- Pointing to various pictures of/with girls on screen/desk - THIS ONE YOUR GIRLFRIEND AH?
  - No. No. No. I wish. No.
  - Yes. Yes. Yes. Yes. [+1]
- SO YOUR GIRLFRIEND STUDY WHICH UNI?
  - YOUR GF RESULTS HOW? GOOD ANOT? (FUCK I GET THIS EVERY YEAR X2 JUDGY)
- **"your gf's butt big can give birth to more children" (this is really.. wtf)**
  - *[Future response] So is yours.....but you shouldn't*
- I ask my son, how come your "O" level so low one? 6 points. Haiz.
- **Chindian person here - Aunties/Uncles be like, "WHY GOT INDIAN PERSON HERE? WHO SON DE?" [+1] [+100 this made me LOL]**
  - Same with Peranakans here - "WHY GOT MELAYU HERE? HE CAN EAT THE BAK WAH ORNNOT"
    - or anyone mixed really~
- Automatically assume good A level results >>> MEDICINE!!!!111!!!!11!
- or - LAW!!!!111!!!!11![+1]
  - i good A level results but i engineer how?
  - Straight As student who went to FASS can totally relate here
- What game design? sg got industry meh? (uhh ..)
- You got no boyfriend?? Is not you don't want, is nobody want right? Ha ha ha lel jokes jokes
- Hah you see because you xxx/ always xxx/ never xxx, ah, thats why got no boyfriend la! [+2]
  - Wah this one really sounds like my Mom sia
- **My daughter study the program is very competitive one you know! But you see, this girl, always never study, then in the end still go and get A. Haiyah, what a naughty girl, hor, hor.**
- Liberal arts??? Is what??? Got painting????? Drawing??????
  - "can get what job ah"

- Orrhhhh *LIBERAL* ah... eh you better be careful hah wait your daughter learn all the bad american values go and party la protest gahmen all that. Yah! I hear all my friend say, they say is like that one you know better watch out don't know what they do in the mixed hostel all
  - "that day i got read the straits times say ah... "
- EH AH GIRL COME HERE TELL YOUR SAM YI PO WHAT YOU STUDY. THAT TIME YOU GO WHERE DO WHAT ONE FASTER COME SHOW US YOUR PICTURES.
- Aiyah eat so full already need my **COMMANDO SON** to come and carry me
  - WOW this is so subtle. Fuck.
  - lucky commando can carry the weight of two ppl
- Why you go India go Indonesia all that huh later all the prospective mother-in-law scared
- At home is always your maid sweep the floor wash the dishes for you one right??? (er *nope*)
- Waaaah still haven't pass driving ah! Nehmind la you girl, next time go and find boyfriend drive you around lor/ Ya, I know a girl she pass driving first time - must be wear short skirt go driving test one ha ha ha
- **eh you secondary school what stream ah? [at age 19 like it even matters!!!!11!1]**
  - every year from uncles/aunties i get: eh their children gifted programme one leh, v good, v smart, you don't have right? (THAT IS LIKE WHAT? PRIMARY SCHOOL??!?!?!?! AND I'M IN **UNI**. UNIIIIIIII)
  - literally just got a degree and i still get shit for my PSLE results hahahahahahaha
- \*watching a show about a guy pursuing a girl despite the fact he does not have her active consent and she said "NO" several times\* "wah...so romantic leh, don't you want a boyfriend like that?"
- Eh, you boy or girl? girl right? why never wear dress? cut short hair somemore!
- Your school very liberal right? Newspaper say got alot of gays there hor? Pls don't join them ah, we don't want to lose you to them [+1]
- eh you break up ah? single life good make more money can get more action but must wear raincoat
  - *[Comment] That's horrifying. Lol*
  - *Agreed.*
- Aunt with a few grandchildren to my mother (said in front of my married bro who has no children) "HOPE NEXT YEAR YOU GOT BABY TO PLAY!"
- WHEN WILL I STOP GIVING ANG BAO TO YOU?
- What happened to the angmor you dated? What color next? Don't bring home black one ok!
- "eh you work in mediacorp ah?! got see zoe tay li nanxing not??! so nice got so many artistes to see" [+1]
- "eh you intern in news right? next time I got problem i call you, you report ok?" [+1]
- 한국여자친구 있네? 언제 소개 할거니?
  - *[Translation] You have a korean girlfriend? When are you introducing her to me?*
- Are Your sure this diploma can get a job or not
- "You're 30 already, so when are you getting married? Need uncle help you find matchmaking services?"
- Studying [any arts subject] is it? Next time you can do what one? **Teacher is it?**
  - **every fucking year**
- No GEP no talk. No PSLE top student no talk. No 6 points no talk. No RJC no talk. No HYPISM/Oxbridge no talk. No Google/Facebook/Goldman Sach no talk.
  - TIL HYPISM is a thing
  - I'm in M btw. Snowing here like shit. I thought it was spring a week ago.
    - Are you sure this is a sub-bullet point and not a CNY power play [+1]
  - Sweet. Been raining here.
- [16-25] is a good age to find boyfriend/ girlfriend leh.
- My son doctor. Always good to have doctor in the house. Can take care of me when I'm old.
- Study music for what? Singapore musicians no future. All become teachers.
- lol your daughter only a MOE scholar. My son PSC scholar leh. No la. You guys not good enough. My son President Scholar. lol. Who cares? My son is one of the only few people in Singapore who can say "this is my grandfather's road."
- So old still studying? Only get permanent head damage.
  - *PhD lol*

- Girl need to study so hard meh? Got bf or not? No? See la. Sg no future.
- Why your son so long overseas no come back? Only know how to abandon parents.
- Study overseas don't bring back ang moh gf. Or intro me your ang moh gf leh.
- **"I thought you become Muslim?" (So? Still Chinese what, how is this relevant?)**
- eh you clerk is chao keng one. I don't see any body part missing. last time uncle is commando/guards.
- wah your son PES E still so look so buff. confirm is chao keng.
- Ah boy go army why you still so weak. next time i call my maid help you to bring your field pack to camp. Mobilise the maid platoon for you can or not?
  - R U D E
- your son that time small small so white, now grow up already become so black?
- My grandson 162.5cm already leh. The mother 161cm only. Very tall already hor primary 5 only.
- \*comes late, just finished work\* **"Haiyo, CNY still need to work? My son can take leave how come you cannot? Go find other job better welfare"**
- Eh you what zodiac sign one ah? This year (rat/horse/pig/bigfoot) cannot not compatible with me. Will lose money.
- maybe you should stop eating the bakkwa now
- "Wah sailing, very fit hor? But now skin so black, you want my cream?"
- family friend to my mom the first thing she sees my mom - "eh you know where my son studying not? RAFFLES leh." mom: "yea my son too" friend: "oh then your daughter leh?" mom: "poly" friend: "aiyo my son raffles leh, he so busy in school you know" (repeats exact same conversation with my dad)
- uncle: "so which of your two female friends you went to taiwan with is your girlfriend?" me: "both." (i'm gay so that makes it even funnier yay)
- "Ah boy ah come and eat" "I ate just now" "I never see leh come and sit here and eat now"
- "How? This year got get govt. scholarship nort?"
- Did your boy just say I gave too little ang pao money this year?
- Eh this CNY your girl wear until like that like want to hook up with her cousins.
  - RUDE
  - wtf who says this kind of shit
  - just a tad messed up
- Girl your bra strap showing.
  - how is this power play?
- Stop swiping your phone here and there. Go talk to your cousins. ← Tinder reference
- Oh you do concerts? If you have free tickets must give me hor! But must be Chinese and Kpop one and most expensive one. [sorry i only do Japanese ones lol]
- Just graduated ah? \$3k - 4k pay? Enough la, don't be so spendthrift can liao. - coming from an uncle who spends money like water while earning only 1k per month. --
- So old still watch cartoon (anime)/play computer games. [+1]
- "Ohhhh you study sociology? So next time you're going to be a social worker? Very low pay leh."
  - I get to help you leh
- You older or younger one? Cannot remember.
- YOU GO OVERSEAS STUDY SOCIOLOGY, WASTE MONEY YOU KNOW!!!!
- Study science? You sure you the next Einstein?
- Relative: "GIRL!! Next year bring your boyfriend ok!" Me: "Err.. don't have". Relative: "Nevermind, I say NEXT YEAR!!"
- Wah girl you are back in Singapore already ah! (context: went overseas for a short trip last cny and hence missed all the visiting). Not bad ah, always travelling. Father very rich hor
- \*opens fridge\* eh what drink you want? i think dont drink soft drink la you want green tea? or juice?
- Your yu sheng not enough fish. This year confirm plus chop no 余(surplus).
  - sorry i scared of mercury/salmonella/food poisoning hor
- "Eh you study geography in NUS ah. about what one ah. look at 风水 isit? can help me look at the 风水 in my new house next time?"
  - Proceeds to my brother whos studying Psychology: "Eh you study psych one ah. can help me look at my two rascals over there and tell me their personality"

- Moves on to my sister studying japanese studies: “Eh isit you applying Japanese companies?”  
“uhh no uncle..i can apply other companies too pls....”
  - study literature ah going to be teacher is it!
- Wah, ORD 1 year already so fat liao ah?
  - Mother chimes in: “YA LOR YA LOR ARMY THEN EXERCISE A LOT COME OUT NUA ALREADY”
- The ‘ugly’ series
  - your son is ugly
  - your son’s gf ugly.
  - you are ugly
  - Yo mama so ugly (what if they have the same mom) eh your siblings talk to you like that for what <<<
  - your daughter is ugly
  - your daughter’s mom is ugly
  - don’t worry. she can go korea do plastic surgery. only thing i worry for the ugly children.
  - why the children the eyes so small and ugly one? your beautiful korean wife did plastic surgery?
  - ah ma is getting older. so ugly
  - your ah gong obituary photo so ugly
- eh you two same surname. you sure not incest when you marry?
  - wincest
- your daughter so flat/no butt/look like a kid. no man wants her.
- My husband is a plastic surgeon. He can make your daughter more presentable.
- Ah boy ah you so handsome. Aiyo. Like model leh. Why no girlfriend? Remember ah, cannot play with girls hearts ah!
- “You want to study law? Confirm can become lawyer not? go overseas la”
- your daughter want to study engineering? what a whore
  - (๖\_๖)
  - 90% male 10% female courses. NAISE. **It’s raining men.**
  - Act helpless/needy and ask for homework help from the guys. (pls it’s the guys who drop out first kay)
- “Wah long time no see you grew taller isit later no BF leh cos....eh I mean...” -awhz silence-
- you look like a pineapple tart
  - This made me laugh so hard. is it because its true
- “Wah, go overseas study ah! See lah, Jiak so much kentang look like one alr” i.e., you look like a potato
- “You study animals? Next time do what? Be zookeeper, ah?”
  - I feel you bro
- “Your dunno what life science one, why don’t do medicine?”
- “Life science ah... Mmm... Good good. ... Life science is what ah?”
- “Wa grow taller issit??? So tall now!” “Uhh... No. I’m EXACTLY the same height as last year” “Ah... Maybe I grow shorter...”
- why your ang pao give 2 dollar only
- Brings GF/BF from another race.... “Who is this, why got malay/indian here”
- **THE “GO \_\_\_\_ STUDY?” SERIES**
  - Go Australia study? Why not UK/US? Come back only as good as private unis.
  - Go France study? WTF you thinking, with all the terrorism there.
  - Go US study? Safe or not? You sure not mistaken for Mexican immigrant bo?
  - Go UK study? They kick you out after that.
  - Go Japan/China study? sorry not recognized in singapore.
  - Go SIM study? paktor with chio bu only ah?
  - Go SUTD study? Huh? What’s that? Sex disease?
    - or, “What S what TD? SIT ah?”
  - Go SPU study? I heard it’s a good choice.
  - Go NTU study? Why never get into NUS?

- Go NUS study? Why never try for scholarship go overseas study?
- "You study Physics???? Next time help old people do physio ah???"
- "Study Science? Next time do what? No job lah"
- **"Teach?? Pay damn low sia" [+1+1+1]**
  - lol want mould future of nation cannot is it???
- "I your age that time can drink 5 beer at one go leh!"
  - no wonder ur so fat and pudgy
- "Huh? Still Poly? I thought you finish ITE so long already?"
- Why study in Australia? Local uni more recognised ma!
- (Both in uni) "Eh how come you one year slower than me? Oh you go poly ah?"
- Wow, you look so well-fed.
- You look slimmer now. Probably due to the dark coloured clothes - [name removed by admin]
  - Bro probably not a good idea to put your name. [+1]
  - People like, nvm ah
- "University of Buffalo? Simi sai? Learn farming ah?"
- "What you school name? S..D...STUD is it? There learn what?!"
  - "Huh? STD??? Is it the study sex disease one"
- "RP ah... Don't go join wrong company okay?"
- Why you yesterday morning missing? super bowl so exciting meh? american football i don't understand. gaga/martian/beyonceee/foreplay i don't understand.
- Eh sia la bah kwa, fragrance one, spam spam.
- "I know you scored well, but listen to me. Poly is just a fad. Now fashionable to apply. I just don't want you to regret when you cannot go local U." [+1]
- You want go overseas study? Who want to pay?
- "Ask my son come here help you. He very smart one last year PSLE 263."
- "I don't believe in recycling. It's bullshit. Must be vegetarian. Like vegetarian horh, is better than recycling." (WTF??)
- "Go angmoh there study for what. You want to become angmoh also is it?"
- I say I don't like studying Chinese. "Aiyo, 你有病吗? Your race you know, must like one."
- "Wah you so fat lah, you know {insert name}, she got personal trainer"
- "Wah you so skinny, you must eat more or never find partner"
- "Wah you so dark, you look like maid" [+10 LOLOL]
- Why you never say hi to your uncle?
- "You like MMA? You not scared your friends beat you up ah?"
- OH you in poly uh... Why don't want JC leh?
  - HEARD THIS FOR 3 YEARS STRAIGHT motherfuckers just don't listen
- HAVE YOU TRIED THESE TART/LOVE LETTERS? MY DAUGHTER/SON MADE/BOUGHT THESE!
- "You work where? Keppel? OH U MEAN KAPLAN SHIPYARD AH?"
- No new clothes???
- boy, don't use this ang pao money go buy dirty stuff ah.
- why you in toilet so long? playing with your kkj ah?
  - really got say until like that meh
- Go play with your cousins...(i have no idea who they are and they are so young and i'm bad with kids)
- You NA? Why never go Express???? Waste one year leh!
- Oh you study psychology ah? So next time you want to be a social worker?
  - **Oh you study psychology ah? Can read my mind? :) [+10000] [+10]{**
  - "Oh you study philosophy ah? The child philosophy or adult philosophy?"
- Quick help auntie/uncle take photo, then later add me on FB/IG ok <3? (Cringe ><) [+1]
- "My arm now very sore. What to do my son just get promotion buy me heavy gold bangle all"
- **WAH!** hair colour dye until like that ah. *you still young uh?*
- *"Your girl neh very big hor, can give birth already." (I was 13)*
- how much you do your \_\_\_ like that? "200+" **YOU SIAO AH? worth it meh.**

- "Sorry late, need to wait our helper clean both floors finish first then can leave the house."
- "Don't want to work government job? I don't want you to regret your decision."
- My friend's daughter study arts and can get high paying job. But then her daughter is clever....Hope you can also.
- boy ah, why no girlfriend one? your kukujiao cannot stand ah?
  - *For real?*
- " eh boy never say hello to me arh?" ( when you said hello to them 5 minutes ago )
- Ey boy ah, why never like upzkorkor liddat got multiple girls chasing him
- Ey last time u can share clothes with my son one why now cannot liao
- (Not even passive aggression) "I thought you study cooking one why are you such a lousy chef"
- "aiya my son's classmate is driven to school everyday in a Bentley leh, I drive merc only" - uncle stays in landed property
- "Ya lor, recently my son was in the newspapers. See his hamsum face there I so malu, you know"
- "Eh pretty girl/handsome boy like you how come no boyfriend/girlfriend? Eh, my [hairdresser's son/beautician's brother/insert random person's brother, son or friend] is single - you want me to introduce or not?"
- "I posted your comments on this google docs"
  - Admin: That sounds like a good reply for subsequent visits.
- "wah last time you so cute one. NOW... grown up already" ...:(
- wah you put braces now ah so ugly why you never put red for cny? (r u fking serious)
- (i brought my notes to study because im having my finals tomorrow) Ah girl why you study so hard poly can go medicine meh? THANKS FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT :(
- aunty: wah medicine ah next time give free treatment okay!!! replies: okay i go cardiology then you heart attack can find me ah! aiya no need paiseh look at you confirm will tio some day
- What course are you in ah? Biomedical science ah study what one ah? Pls i just told you 30mins ago...
- RI stressful anot ah? (no la q ok if you listen in class) ORH U SMART ALEK HOR?
- Wah you studying now issit? My daughter now doing honours liao.
- "wah when go army?" - i'm 30 this year
- "I dreamt of your (late) mother. She was having dinner with me (proceeds to describe dream vegetarian dinner with my mother) and then she was asking about the three of you (me and my two sisters). She said she was worried about you because you guys weren't married yet."
- Wah lawyer ah? Eh you got go Lee & Lee? Ehh next time I got case must be free one hor
- I was quite stupid, my PSLE score was like 235...
- "Hurry up find a boyfriend. Just don't bring back Malay cos they very horny, or Indians cos they will get drunk and beat you up I'm not kidding"
  - *What's wrong with horny bf?*
  - *Why are we cursed with such racist relatives?*
- Eh my son OCS leh! You in SCS, how?
- "This is your zodiac year, you need to wear red underwear"
- u how old sia? 21 look like 18... eat more!!
- "Eh you go poly study physio after JC? Not wasted meh?" (FYI the Physio diploma course requires A levels it's not "wasted" at all ffs)
- my uncle: SEE. (Proceed to show photos) My son got cook for the PM, the President. Also take photo with them. He is also World Judge for those cooking competitions. WORLD LEI. means can be judge everywhere.
- why are you so fat now
- YOU SEE (NAME) HER HIP SO BIG WEAR CHEONGSAM SO PRETTY SHE GO FRANCE GOT PEOPLE GIVE HER FLOWER LEH GOT PEOPLE GIVE YOU FLOWER HERE??????
- "Your butt so flat guys won't like one."
- "Why your butt so flat ah. Just like your father."
- "I cannot take it leh your butt very flat"
- "Your sister's butt better! Not so flat."

- HUH WHY YOU WANT TO STUDY FOR 5 YEARS? ENGINEERING DOUBLE DEGREE YOUR PARENTS VERY RICH AH!!!!???? DONT LA YOU GIRL DONT ENGINEERING JUST FIND GOOD BOYFRIEND >> im on scholarship...
- How are you ah?
- "My granddaughter intends to study law. So now she's doing her undergrad at UPenn. You know? It's an ivy league school you know? You same age right? Where and what are you studying? Law ah.... did your mother force you???"
- Can't find Boyfriend yet? Better set your standards lower, you are almost 30.
- "You study english literature? Very easy right? All you need to do is read books"
- You born in the monkey year right? You look like one leh (proceeds to laugh at own joke)
- So you still working as a nurse? Nurse where got good? Must clean people's ass. You see ah girl she work in bank now very good leh. Ask ah girl pull you in la....
- it's okay i'm sure you will find a girlfriend. people these days don't care about looks anymore.
- don't worry, you will have a boyfriend one day
- "Your neh neh so flat, wear this dress not nice lah girl"
- You same age as X right? How come she graduate liao you havent yet? YOU REPEAT AH
- 吓死人 leh \*points at my face\* (am gng thru hormonal acne :())
- wah you so many pimple ah? so stress?
- wah, you from RI? next time going to become doctor hor? (said to a humanities kid. thx for reaffirming my value in society)
- can you be more girly  
can you wear more girly tops  
can you wear more dresses  
next year wear dress already ah  
~~literally who the fuck asked for ur opinion~~
- Distant relative 1: "Come come sit closer to (name, her close grandkid) I want to take a photo of you (me specifically the kid is an excuse) to introduce guys to you..." "Oh, you have a boyfriend already?"
- Distant relative 2: "Or a few boyfriends? (; take your time and choose properly... And who says you can't still be choosing?"
- Huh you going europe holiday ah? LATER GET LAPE (rape) AH
- aiyo why you never wear red this year. your parents too rich so you don't want them to hua  
ah!!!
- - Boy ah you poly right, graduate alr anot  
- Yes  
- Cannot go local uni ah, I see newspaper no have spots for poly students  
- Actually, I'm going to Cambridge  
- Wah, study what?  
- Law  
- Wah you can ah? Your parents so rich pay for you ah  
- I'm going on a PSC Scholarship  
- Never get president scholsheep ah? No future leh got bond  
- [Future response] you dropped out after O levels
- What you studying now ah? (Asks same question every fucking year)
- RGS has a lot of colours (skin colour), everyday must speak in english right, chinese deproving hor, must speak more chinese here ah!
- (To females; implying plumpness) Wa you're growing very well hor
- "我的CPF比你多" - among a group of aunties
- my son in NUS no need to bid for modules cuz he's scored so many As and A+ eh!
- When giving ang pow: "给你, 因为你还没有结婚" ("for you, since you're not married yet")



- 20 already still no boyfriend????? how can??? you must talk to more boys okay... girl must find good husband
- Actually hor... During my time hor... (Proceed to tell us everything we've been doing is wrong... )
- ah girl you so skinny, how come your kerkor so fat? (he's my younger brother btw. and he was RIGHT THERE)
  - You must be shitting me mate
- "you so fast getting married next year? Wah! for the first time in your life, you managed to beat your brother at something." knnccb
- Wah you look slimmer now? You PURPOSELY (with great emphasise) go and diet ah?
- Girl I tell u, u must start losing weight now. If not next time is not you get to choose guy, is guy choose whether they want u or not. (This is freaking mean that I cried)
- Mum: she bought so much clothes for cny!
- Aunt: nvm la, next time her sister pregnant can share share use
- Girl, aunty advise u to lose weight at a young age, if not people think u r your mum's sister
- "Girl ah, you study Arts (refers to faculty of arts and social sciences) in NUS? What kind of things do you do? Drawing? Painting?"
  - uhhh i do history? Hahahahaha
- Oh.. you still studying ah? I thought you have kids already \*eyes scanning from head to toe\*
- Aunty tell u.. soft drink a lot of sugar.. you take too much sugar will become fat! Don't drink don't drink \*replaces my GREEN TEA can with plain water\*
- Girl ah, you got boyfriend already? Want me intro my neighbour's son? Quiet boy working in a bank drawing fat pay.
- You got boyfriend?
  - No...
  - Remember last year I told you u need to lose weight?
- "Ah boy you want to sign on ah? Don't sign on!" ... All other relatives in the house start chanting "Don't sign on"
- My cousin: Eh! You No GF yet uh?
  - Me: Nope.
  - Cousin: Why?
  - Me: Uhm, Not int at the moment? I wanna focus on studies. (Just a brush off comment, too lazy to explain, Girlfriends don't just fall from the sky)
  - My Cousin: Well, Have u wondered u might be Gay?
  - Me: WTF?????
  - Suddenly all of my cousins opened up a live discussion. It's like I'm in a courtroom, being judged. [+1000 lolololo]
- "Ah boy you pes C ah? Wa Lao you chao keng one luh"
  - Erm yeah cuz I should totally be running around with a rifle after tearing my meniscus?
- "Eh your daughter still not working after so long? Don't give her money la, then she confirm will go find a job liao." Walao eh you think jobs are so easy to find meh?!
  - yah agreed man
- Wah dye hair and so many piercing ah? Don't tell me you got tattoo also? Like ah beng'
- Hah so old not married...later bian tai
- Relative: Boy Ah! You Haven't graduate from Poly?
  - Me: Nope, Re-moduling for A Year
  - Relative: Huh? 23 Liao still don't want to graduate? You don't want to go NS uh?
  - Me: \_I\_ thinking (If i have a choice to graduate, why the fuck do i want to stay in Poly for another year? Gurl, You didn't even finish Secondary School, So stop judging)
- He's in the commandos!
- Aunt: “你有女朋友吗？”



Me: “没有”

Aunt: “你有啦！你有女性的朋友啦！”

Me: WTF??!?!?!?

- Aiyoh, you put on weight, is it? (Later during lunch/dinner) Aiyoh, don't waste food eat some more lah! You're still young!
- Ah girl why your hair cut until so short later your boyfriend don't want you liao
  - (srsly if anyone is being dumped for hair length, they should count themselves lucky they got away early)
- "How is your study?"
- My son barely got through 1st year of JC... He's smart but just lazy. I should recommend him to go poly hor? Poly good for lazy people right? He so smart anyhow study also can go uni from there hor.
- "u work at \*insert company name\*?? work shift and must face those rude passengers and carry their heavy luggage one everyday right? (turns to her son) ah boy u hear that? thats why u must study hard next time have good job good life. (turn to me) girl, aunty advise u go back study so next no need to do this kind of job." hello aunty im on internship can? not everybody wants to work in a cubicle facing a computer 24/7.
- Where you working at now?
- Why you so fat? You must eat smaller meals...(all the while she was smoking)...Why I cannot say you huh? I am your cousin, if I am not your cousin I won't say you liao. Why you never get boyfriend huh? (brings my mum into the kitchen and start guessing that I must be gay.)
- "This year no need give angpow, you guys are all working". - Only five out of seven cousins are working, and a blatant flout of the rule that only those aged 30 and above cannot receive angpow.
- So later going to visit your boyfriend ah? Waa no boyfriend? I thought you have? What happen to <inserts ex name here>? Oh no bf also good la, never mind la work and get money first. --
- "Ever thought of settling down?" My response: "After your funeral."
- Aiyah females dunid to study so hard luh. Study so hard later no man want. Just find a golden turtle can le.
- Ah Boy ah, why you go N Level ah? Why never go O Level? 5 Years leh, useless one you know! Can take the time go find girlfriend leh!
- MY SON STUDY MEDICINE LEI, next time you got any problem can go find him!
- Whoa this year how ole ah? (40) Whoa, still need to give you ang pow ah! Next year better not give anymore ah.
- Eh ah girl I ask you ah, why your cousin's wife also born in 1991 and stay in Pasir Ris, so skinny but you still fat ah?
- /for the 1805736th time  
"your brother now where ah?"  
oh he studying in london  
-study what?  
-economics in UCL  
-ohhh ECONOMY ah...why he go overseas ah.  
-yeah but he went to a good school there, and the experience there is good as well  
-actually singapore uni also very good oredi leh now so difficult to get in!! but if he cannot get in ok lah go overseas come back as long as got degree from a known uni then can find job can liao hor (story of her son)  
-(she thinks my brother didn't do well enough for A levels to get into a local u but) no no NO actually uh he didn't even need his A level results to get in he was accepted into NUS with his prelims results  
-orh liddat ah wah good (quietly walks away)

- "It's okay if you don't know these things, you don't have the wisdom of time yet."
- "You may not care about your culture now, but once you have children, you will want to pass down your traditions to them."
- "SEE! \*points\* That's your younger cousin(s) who's(re) married, with kids, etc. What about you?"
- "I TELL U AH MY SON AH last time JC only got A B C D then this daughter leh????? Her first report book come back only got E S and U WAH FIRST TIME REPORT BOOK GOT U AH EVEN MY TIME NO SUCH THING AS U, then I ask her what is this U don't even understand what it means.....(continues to ramble about how I "waste time" in school with council work)"
- Ah girl you study in the UK right? You know my friend's friend's friend daughter a not? Aiyo i dunno where la, UK not all the same meh?
- Have been used as a walking showcase by my parents for my knee injury even though I'm wearing jeans and it can't be seen. Not that I'm uncomfortable with telling the story but the looks of pity from people who don't know me well are almost as bad as the topic is during CNY.
- boy ah, what you reading on your phone? what is power play har? why so many words one, auntie see liao blur already.
- An aunt said to me during reunion dinner that my degree in Life Sciences is useless. Im already in my forth year and about to graduate.
- my son is a scholar
- oh nice shirt, where did you get it from?
- so, boy ah, where you working now?
- young people are like that nowadays
- oh you all taking uber? aiyo, i don't know one la all this technology things. let the young people do it
- oh your boyfriend is indian? \*muted look\* oh nothing, i'm so happy for you at least you got boyfriend
- "you in ns ah? last time ns \*insert description of how much tougher ns was last time\*\*"
- Wa how come you NS still so fat
- Where do your children go to school?
- oh have you finished NS? what, you're already working? oh you look so young!
- Mom tells brother: "stop scratching your pimples else you will have a scar and won't be handsome anymore"
- Relative says: "it's ok he was never handsome anyway" [+1]
- Waaa eh you gain a lot of weight leh!
- When you get bf? You see your sister also attached so long liao leh. When your turn?!
- Here's your angpow. Hope you'll get a proper job soon. (I'm a freelancer)
- eh why your girlfriend never come, she dont like us is it?  
[1) she has her own family 2) stay away from all of you ba puo]
- - Why you don't have girlfriend yet?  
- [In future] Because I'm a hologram and I'm incapable of love. \*starts flickering\*
- "Harh? You studying Literature arh? Theatre arh? Next time do what, Mediacorp?"
- What you study ah?  
Nursing  
I thot nursing for girl? Everyday wipe backside one. Need to study meh?  
Ya need.  
Why don't want be doctor?(at this point aunt start giggling)  
No lah not interested.  
After signing on]  
You sign as medic ah? Officer or not?  
No lah not officer, ya i sign medic.

Wah why cannot go OCS? Must be because you poly right? (The fuck who say poly cannot become officer)

- Why both these people keep coming ?! No money don't have to show up every time.
- "why you never bring your girlfriend over?"
- "You studying film ah? So next time you gonna work at mediacorp / be the next Jack Neo is it???"
- "What you both studying now?"  
"Graduating from Polytechnic soon, my sister is in NUS"  
"Ohhhhh" \*Everyone proceeds to turn and talk to sister"
- "Why you wanna do film? Don't wanna be a doctor like your Dad? Film can earn money anot?? You LUCKY your dad let you do what you want. In my time..." /cue a long story on how life was hard in 1960s blahblah/
- Aunt: where's your gf?  
Me: still don't have.  
Aunt: you want Filippino one? Nowadays they are popular!  
Me: huh? Why Filippino?  
Aunt: You don't look Chinese, look like Filippino. Right, Maria?  
Maid: Yes, his eyes look like one.  
Aunt: so can go find Filippino gf
- - u wantu meet my dotter?  
no.  
-she in medicine.  
no.  
- she pretty.  
no.  
- she.  
no.

\*internally: 11/10 would date the son\*

- Why you go NTU/SMU/SIT/SUTD but not NUS? NUS first in Singapore you know? Or you cannot get in?
- "女孩子读那么多书有什么用? 在家做家务照顾老公就好..." (thanks, you'll be even more mad if you asked if i have a bf)
- DON'T EAT TOO MANY PINEAPPLE TARTS, MY (DOCTOR) DAUGHTER SAY CAN CAUSE PROBLEM
- "eat this already? why? very nice one!" \*proceeds to shove multiple food items in my face\* eh please why are you trying to tell me what to eat??
- "eh boy, i tell you, this [insert food item/dubious cream/weird method etc] will help your skin. try la! don't try you don't know." (I have eczema and my relatives like to fancy themselves as miracle healers)
- eh son come talk to \*dad's cousin's son\* about your uni course, he's gonna join it next year (I have never talked to him in my life before!!!!), so you can be a helpful senior
- you know where to find good gf materials? church lor!
- aunties: \*talking about daughters getting rich boyfriend\*

suddenly this auntie turn over and ask me...

auntie: "boy, you single this year ah?"

Me: "ya."

auntie: "you rich ma?"

Me: "no."

auntie: "then you cannot pao my daughter.. she need to find rich guy."  
Me: \*WTF?!\*

Btw her daughter looks like this kind: [deleted by admin]

- "Boy ah, you so fat now, must eat less and slim down!"  
\*1 year later\*  
"Boy ah, why so skinny! Must eat more and gain weight!"
  - lol..arent you boasting as well..
- "Yah, you better find chinese boyfriend la, i think (you should) only date chinese. chinese best." - to my cousin in front of me. I am chindian and my boyfriend is indian.
- My mum give this random stranger / relative's kid an ang pao. The kid open it on the spot and run to the mum saying, "Mummy mummy, that auntie only give me \$4" and started crying.
- "oh you study literature ah....working how"  
"oh, I actually major in history"  
"oh...same la....literature how to find job?????"
- Stupidly answered the question of what's my poly GPA and an aunt in the background immediately exclaimed to her daughter "HUH, THIS GPA ALSO CAN GO PUBLIC UNI MEH." (I'm in public uni now.) Get in or don't get in also got thing to say. You win liao lor.
- "Whose girlfriend are you?" (i am your relative ahma)
- "boy ah you study where ah? Orh graduate from poly ah! Now go army already or not? Wah army already ah! Got go OCS or SCS or not! Wah don't have ah! Then got go in University or not? Have ah! Then GF....." the question goes on and on and on man. soon I've got to tell her my life story...
- Boi ah, why still so skinny ah. see , aunty son also bigger size than you already you know
- WHY STILL NO BOYFRIEND? HOW OLD ALREADY THIS YEAR
- The secret behind annoying CNY questions  
Me: Wahh, everyone keeps asking XXXXXX when she gonna get married  
Mum: Yeah, because we don't want to give her angpow anymore  
Me: wahh really ah?  
Mum: no lah. Its actually because we have nothing better to do. Okay I shall now go do my auntie duties too.  
\*Mum flies off to join in the when are you getting married frenzy\*
- YOU LOOK LIKE YOU PUT ON WEIGHT
- You study TCM ah? Like that considered doctor meh? Aiya never mind take my pulse tell me what's wrong with me. Next time must give me free treatment hor.
- "Wah u BTO already ah, when getting married? What, married already? No la ROM is not the same as married! U all better hurry up get married or else later u all break up before the house comes." (brainless aunty)
- "Girl cannot be so tanned lah, next time nobody want."
- Aunt: Oh where you going to study?  
Me: NIE  
Aunt: AIYO WHY NIE IS IT U NEVER DO WELL FOR A LEVELS  
Me:.... Cos i wanna be a teacher???
- Auntie talking to me

Eh ah boy, u just graduated right ? so how much are u earning now ? must be not bad right, don't be like my useless son, cannot study one only have 0 level, now working in sales, everyday run here run there, but not bad lah he have his own car can drive us around when he is free, where did u park ah ?

- "Relative: You're going to poly?"

Me: Yes

R: What was your 'O' Levels score?

M: L1R5 9.

R: Wah. So good why you don't want to go to JC?"

- (aunt after winning at gambling): I am a money magnet
- Relative A : eh XXXXX got underage gambling here please catch them 'directed towards regular or NS police'
- Wah uni must study 4 years ah? Tuition 10k a year ah? Might as well don't study and use the 4 years to work, confirm earn more than 10k one
- "I finally got a boyfriend this year!"  
"You finally got down to renting one, right?"
- Almost every year when I visit my relatives and they ask me the same question : "Do you have a boyfriend?" or "Are you working now?"

I tell them I'm still single and stuff and I'm still a student (I'm 23 this year by the way) and they all tell me that girls during the olden times were already married and having kids not single and studying. Hello, relatives, its the 21st century and if I don't get my medical degree, my future husband don't have to work so hard loh. Get it mou?

- To a 10-12 year old me: "不要苦瓜臉 leh! 笑啦, 笑比較美!"  
To my mother: "Eh, your girl don't know how to smile one. 臉臭臭的."
- Eh you working at vet clinic ah? Can bring my dog for free check up anot ah?
- Every single year my mum tries to 'raise my value' by replying my relatives that there are guys 'chasing' me but I'm not interested.  
No boyfriend equals to NO GUY WANT ME. Seriously?
- Every year kena hantam the same question: " eh, girl, you got boyfriend or not?" or "when are you getting married?"
- Visit people's megabig mansion every CNY. Then my mum will pressure me into "girl, you must marry rich rich guy to get a house like this and hiong sao."

Where do i even start looking =.=

- Your cousin 36 already never get married, we must set her up with someone. Dun tell her hor, or later she get angry (bitch snigger)
- "How come you didn't get into ACJC/Hwa Chong/RI?"
- "[To an unmarried person] When you get pregnant you cannot have a belly piercing you know!"
- (some context: this aunt likes to win at everything - son go jc jc is the best, daughter go poly poly is the best, etc)

Aunt: you study SMU/NTU/NUS? my son is now in an Australian university, the environment is so much better, more creative expression and more freedom etc etc. none of that rote memorization local unis make you do.

Response: did you see the recent straits times article about aussie unis coming under fire for lowering their admissions criteria? they really need the money la

- "Oh, your boy not officer? You know ah, my boy just come back from Thailand, so tiring you know... and he going Brunei again soon... ya...OH YOU STAY OUT? wah GOOD LIFE LEH YOU... my son ah..."
- "I know white boy very hansum one. You can play play date them but cannot marry them okay. They confirm will cheat on you one!"  
(Before I went to US to study)
- Eh why you never skirt or dress.. you will look prettier (wtf you saying i ugly ah and who say girl must wear skirt or dress cannot wear pants you sexist ah -.-)

- "Huh still don't have boyfriend yet? Girl ah you cannot be so picky."
- Ang Mo Series - "Are you still with the same Ang Mo bf? Better be careful hor, Ang Mo like to flirt around one"
- CAN GIVE ME FREE MC NOT [+10000000]
- Says to an unsuspecting kid abruptly and unreservedly "my food or auntie's food better"
- Last time so pretty and cute, now grow older... kanasai.
- "What will you do when you ORD?"  
"Oh, I will be resting for a few months, and thereafter start my university term in August."  
"What you doing in uni?"  
"English."  
"Oh, you studying English? You want to be teacher ah?"
- you want to find boyfriend ah? go gym la. there are a lot of guys there. muscle big big one but kkj small, useless one.
- eh so this year she 21 oredi hor, uni oredi right? NUS ah? \*background story, she decided to do poly and head straight to work\*
- Where is your son / daughter studying?
- Aunt: ah girl, where you going for uni?  
Me: Cambridge  
Aunt: wah, my friends daughter also there, sure too difficult for you one! Better go to nus
- Aunt: \*emits a derisive, inane high-pitched giggle as she sees me reading in a bid to ignore the irate boasts that she incessantly wails\*
- the super healthy one: 2 pineapple tarts equals 1 bowl of rice you know? 1 slice of bak kwa equals 2 bowls of rice! You know how much sugar is inside a can of Coke or not?
- "You want angpow? Sure, come come. KNEEL." -- I would rather not get the angpow but ugh
- Auntie be honest with you, I don't tell lies one hor. You like getting fatter and fatter. (A few moments later) Wah, like shrink already leh. \*Compares height\* Haiyo, growing horizontally already. (5 mins later) Why so white? See my son so tanned. Izzit everyday stay at home enjoy aircon only (10 mins later) Hands so smooth, confirm never wash dishes at home right?

OH LERD SAVE ME

- Father: I like how you very humble, achieve things but keep quiet and do your thing.  
\*proceeds to broadcast my pittance of achievements to all within hearing range\*
  - There's a reason why I am quiet in front of these screeching crows, pops.
- "Wah xiao mei, graduated from poly why never go uni? Gap year go work got use meh? "  
"Waste time only!! Isit because ur results very 烂? "

Wah i feel like killing myself, and bitch pls, my gpa is 3.7 and how bad is taking a gap year???? Not that 3.7 is all perfect but taking a gap year is my decision, not yours.

- Girl isit your nose fake one aunty pinch can?
- "oh you work very long hours is it? cannot sleep ah? no leh when you don't sleep then will lose weight ma."
- "what you studying ah"  
"Design (TOO LAZY TO EXPLAIN WHAT KIND OF DESIGN I DO)"  
"Wah, so brave ah. Next time no job leh how, do art one all very hard to find job"  
Smiles and moves along.

\*WE ARE AT THIS POINT SETTING UP THE YEE SANG\*

"Eh you do Design hor, make nice nice leh, I want to see some sort of style on the plate"  
WHAT THE ACTUAL FUCK.

- Aunt: (in rapid-fire Chinese) You are ORD-ing in March, right? You start university in August, right?

Me: \*nods\*

Aunt: (still in Chinese) Must find job or you will be useless at home!

...None of your business what I do with my free time, ma'am. And I DO intend on looking for a means to earn my keep, with or without your unsolicited blessings.

- "eh you like fat already hor"  
"ya thanks, my parents feed me well."  
"later you cannot find bf how, you need to lose some weight, later people dont want to hire you also."  
thanks ah thanks.
- My version of the "the scholarship one .. not you ah?" goes like this -  
Relative: You teacher ah .. oh - must be scholarship one right?  
Me: <thinking - no that's PGDE teaching award, mine is Dip Ed - different leh NIE got different tracks one> ... errr nope mine isn't a scholarship actually.  
Relative: HUH but then you also got bond, right?!  
Me: <thinking - yesss but that's cos MOE gives you teaching allowance ~~~ ...>
- Didn't happen this yr because we didn't meet this relative but for the years we did -  
Relative, to me: Orhhh, this one the twins one ah. Eh! Last time when small that time, your head was sharp like jiam tao loti!!  
& then hor, <my cousin> the hair 好像地中海 when baby that time!  
<so yes, I affectionately refer to that as the "jiam tao loti that uncle" - this one isn't too annoying but just like get over it I'm past 20 & you keep harping on something that happened when we were like, maybe 2 !?>
- So skinny! Must not have been eating well!
- I thought you were your mother
- U planning to go into FASS? Social Science leh. Come out ONLY can become teacher.
- You and your brother are so slim, you don't take after your father. Or your mother. Ok thanks I guess my parents are not even slightly pudgy wtf
- "i'm so tired of giving you angbao already you know. can go get married already or not"
- Oh you studying Communications ah? Why so quiet? Can you COMMUNICATE with me please??? Talk to me leh!
- to my sister's (who is v pretty) bf: eh you scared anot, your gf run away, she so pretty, better feed her more ah make her fat so no BETTER LOOKING BOYS want her ha ha
- \*Distant super rich taitai (House got swimming pool etc.)Auntie came in to give Angbaos\*  
Auntie: "Nah, for you, you and you."  
Cousins everyone:"謝謝！ 新年快樂"  
Auntie: "Every year the same. Do yall know me? Do you know me? Dunno right? See confirm all dunno."  
\*flicks hand and struts out\*  
Cousins:\*awkward silence\*  
-Back home after visiting-  
....\$4 angpao...improvement of \$2 from last year not bad...
- eh why your house so small wifi still so weak? my house 4 floors but wifi damn tokong
- Visitor: \*pointing at younger/youngest child, looking at mom\* is that the elder one [tq aunty you think I'm young but lolol] "no lah that's the younger/est one" "eh really ah look older one"
- Wah, I didn't know your daughter so clever can make it into poly one
- aiyo go australia so white come back become angmoh. better not get angmoh bf later your father very sad spend so much money on you, only get angmoh son in law. he definitely won't like one. angmoh no good no money, chinese better.

- It is people like you (who can go to JC but went to poly instead) who took up the space and cost me my chance at poly. (Dafug? Cannot make it means cannot make it lah!)
- It's ok lah, sometimes life is better like that hor. More freedom (on being single)
- Haiyo, bakkwa eat so much, later fat no girl wan you become their boyfriend ah
- My response to lack of boyfriend/ bring unmarried: OMG you mean I've forgotten to find a boyfriend and get myself spawned? \*go into a fit\*
- Auntie gives angbao, "hope you get married next year!"  
Me, "Huh, why?" \*patronizing laugh\*  
Auntie, "So that next year I can get back some angbaos. HAHAAHAHA" - roughly translated as : I can recoup my loss when you give my kids angbao
- -初二-  
Mom (to sisters): "yesterday your auntie told me xxx cousin go home early to do homework leh. Yall must work harder and be like her ah!"  
\*Sisters roll eyes\*  
One of the sisters: "eh mummy, everytime like tt lei. Compare compare. Go home early do homework very 厲害 meh? We finish homework liao then go 拜年 lei. You no praise us!"  
-cousin actually went home because her mum was restless to stay.-
- aiya you don't go jc better... my daughter go jc also cannot get into local uni.... if she cannot you also cannot one la
- Mom: "Oh, where is your daughter?"  
Relative: "Oh, she's spinning money for us that's why she's not here."  
Mom: "....."  
(Really?? You call your daughter a money spinning machine?!)



## CNY DAY >3

- RI stressful anot ah? (no la quite ok if you liste-) WAH WAH U ONE OF DOSE SMAT ALEKS
- "You study English Literature? What can you do next time? Be teacher ah?"  
Pls, I can do many things with my degree.
- distant relative: "I wouldn't advice you to study \_\_\_\_\_ in the first place"  
-hello dude! I'm already in my final year, what are you even sayin. =\_=
- Your son humanities student ah? How to find job liddat?
- "You so fat, no Asian man will want you you know."
- "Eh you know the who has a son same age as you, but he got gf already"  
-uh, thanks? (single female here by choice)
- "Eh I sit your car hor, so bumpy until I nearly want to vomit" and this after I gave this auntie a lift to the next house ...
- Aunt: Aiya must be because you study so hard, you become so skinny already (I'm not)  
Me: \*continues to eat normally at the table\*  
Aunt: but actually you got eat one or not? Do you eat meat???
- Me: \*dies\* (last year I was deemed meaty 'ba-ba')
- "wah, she been with this boyfriend for 1 year already, not bad hor"-relative speaking about a cousin though not directly in her presence.
- Grandma told mom this & mom told me (omg, older generation so damn gossipy!)

GM: yknow ah, <my grandaunt> said that her grandson told her, for their test the teacher said the highest score in class is xx% leh! Then she said her grandson told her, but he got x% higher than that guy & the teacher never announce!

My response when mom related this: 😞 YA RIGHT.

<Essentially my grandaunt wants to 'humblebrag' to my grandma abt her grandson's supposed accomplishment, of being top in class & the teacher announced it to be someone else (with a lower score) instead. As a teacher .. well, pls lah when people announce scores is like, count infinite times already so students won't squeeze marks/parents won't complain one, ok. I doubt the teacher really 'announce wrongly' ... R U sure your (grandson's) score of 86% or isn't like 76% <or whatever arbitrary number>, you got see the paper yourself/see the score properly anot .. 😞>

- (When my step-relatives from my step-father's side pay us a visit) "Wah you house very big, stepping in feels like I am stepping into 2 homes. (Its just a normal 4 room flat).
- Eh how come you dont know how to speak(name of dialect) ah?
- And of course the distant relative that goes:  
'Wahhhh the last time I saw you, you were just a baby you know!! So small! Now so big already!'

No aunt, I saw you last year actually. That's exactly what you said last year too.

- And of course the distant relative that goes:  
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- "Study history, be teacher ah?"  
"History all about memorising only what"
- I had two taxi driver uncles who literally used everybody in the room to farm Grabtaxi commissions

- Relative to my mum: WA U CAN BE AH MA LIAO AH! (Please..... I'm the eldest child, studying in uni year 1.....)

EVERY FUCKING SINGLE YEAR I HEAR THIS

- My Angbao got SG50 ten dollar note ah so that you all can keep it and won't spend it
- Eh so I heard you got angmoh boyfriend! Oh you broke up ah. Ok never mind tell me about your brief time as an SPG

Literally wtf is wrong with you rude af

- "chubby liao lor you"

"what haven't have boyfriend one? I want to 抱孙子 before I die"

"go to UK come back so fat liao -\_-."

"eat somemore lah"

- mommy happy new year, 祝你身体健康, 青春美丽, 万事顺利(i mean all this from the bottom from my heart too)

"okay 给你。。。学业进步, please比较懂事一点this year"

i know there's a lack of context but trust me she was implying "you are a terribly ill behaved daughter always up to no good"

i study graphic design, everytime i walk past my dad while my dad is with a group of relatives

"this one this one ah, my second daughter. study ART one. wah next time graduate don't know do what HA HA HAHA HA HA" (+1)

dad to mom: eh make angpao for jianhui (舅舅's son, youngest among all paternal cousins) put \$20 hor!!!

\*my dad gave me a \$12 angpao.

my painting teacher visited us just before CNY, my dad talks to her

"this one, study finish poly...got diploma...then what next? now this (this=painting teacher's private class) got what paper one harh? so expensive some more...."

also i know its not CNY related, but hear this anyway.

when i was in primary school i was top 10 in my class every year except p3, psle 248, o level 11r5 13

i never asked, never expected, and never received anything from my parents for whatever results i got in school

in sec 2 during the meet the parents session the teacher made it sound so fucking grave that i wasnt scoring A's

my dad told me off for being a dishonourable daughter who let him, my mom, my family, the school and the nation down

i cried in my bedroom

two years ago my cousin scored a PASS in his psle, entered a neighbourhood school's

normal technical stream...my dad awarded him \$500 for his effort. "he needed the push! the motivation! you don't need one la...girl ah, you see other people need help must help them.

aiya you study art! for what you need to study?"

just kill me

- "girl ah, why no boyfriend yet?"  
  
"haven't found anyone my age that earns more than me."
- Girl, you study Psychology ah? Is it you study about siao people everyday? Next time aunty stress can come give me free consultation ah.  
→ As a Psych major as well, THIS
- Why you getting fatter? Every year only growing sideways. You know you NEED to lose weight right???? Fat so ugly.
- Wave hands in front of my face "blind already or not? Can see? Can see??" (I'm visually impaired)
- wah good liao lor your son in Raffles leh must be good right confirm be doctor or lawyer one hor
- By now you should be bringing the little one out already!
- Oooh study music ah? Can work what?
- eh, i heard you graphic desinger, can help uncle design logo anot, very simple one. i dont've budget so do a simple one, 5 minutes of your time can already. "FINISH PSLE ALREADY AH?" "Er... ya" (Uni 2nd yr LOL)
- "Eh what school is your sister in?"  
"ITE"  
Either awkward 'oh' or worse:  
"Wa you know that means Its The End, you go NUS how come your sister like that one, never teach her issit" – my sister and I have been getting variations on this since PRIMARY SCHOOL
- You and your boyfriend so smart, must go have many smart kids boost the economy make LKY happy
  - RIP LKY.
- You seow Ah..chinese new year wear black color
  - AS BLACK AS MY HEART. AND FASE.
- Wah study become lawyer ah, dun steal my money and run away ok?
- /meets some great grand aunt you have never knew existed for your past 23 years of life/ Oh you studying medicine ah? Our family also full of doctors and lawyers!
- Wahlao why you join big law firm, look down on small firm issit?
- "Got girlfriend yet anot? Faster go find otherwise you will turn gay"
- \*engaged to a foreigner\*  
Aunt: Wah, marrying ah? Moving where? America? Next year coming back for new year? Don't want to give angpao right?
- "You study opera one right! come sing for me! Sing!"  
(Sorry bro you're not PHANTOM right?)
- Wah, why your face got mole? Is ugly you know
- You change job already? How much is your salary or they pay you celery?  
When you migrating from Sg?can visit u free accommodation!!
- Wah, you so tall but big size ah, unlike my son, he got exercise you know (compares to her Sec 1 kid when I am a working adult)
- Aunt: girl, your Boyfriend Korean eh?  
Me: no?  
Aunt: oh I see your Facebook you take photo with Korean guy. Nvm, aunt like, my Daughter also likes.Intro to my Daughter lah, must be taller than her Hor (point at the 1.73m sec sch Daughter).
- eh army boy! how is ns, tough anot?
- Stranger asks "Is she your son's girlfriend?"  
Boyfriend's mum replies "Aiyah 做朋友就好啦"

(wtf, then why am I here.)

- I don't get the "friends" thing parents insist on...its obvious he/she is your bf/gf right?!  
what friends? sheesh.

- Are you back for good?

Yes...

How long have you been back for?

More than 1 year already...

Oh is it! I didn't know you were back!

I saw you last Chinese New Year...

- "Eh I didn't know uni graduates this day look like that...."
- Eh. You dress liddat ah, you go visiting or work as bargirl?
- 5 things not to say during cnv to somebody with mental illness:

1. 'Omg you gained so much weight uh!??!'

- sorry but FYI some antidepressants will cause your metabolism to slow down hence gaining more weight. So plz don't run all over our already very damaged image of self.

2. 'I heard you have depression ah, Aiyo why you think so much? Take it easy...' Aunt whispers to me.

- firstly thank you for your sort of concern. But if taking it easy and don't think so much is so simple, more psychiatry clinic will probably close down right ? IMH will probably have less of a bed crunch issue right?! And also, who the heck are you to give me tips on how to deal with my disorder?!

3. When your parents refuse to let you skip that gathering at the grandparents' brother's children's new lavish apartment.

- firstly, I probably won't even know these people if I saw them on the streets

- next, their wealth and whatever is definitely not in my priority list right not.

- it's not okay to allow somebody who has a fever to sit out but not somebody who is too anxious to leave home. Because similarly, the latter is feeling a hell lot of discomfort too.

4. Thinking it's okay to make fun of the illness you have.

- I have a self-deprecating humor and I do sometimes share funny stories about my health.

But that does not equate to allowing you to make fun of my illness. As seen in the movie 'dirty grandpa' you can only say 'nigga' when the African Americans say so, so yes, you can call me 'spoilt brain' IF I allow it. But trust me, that's probably never going to happen. Because fuck you I have a brain that works well; helped me score distinctions in university and helps me cope with all the bad thoughts and stuff. So if we were to seriously calculate, my brain is definitely not spoilt and possibly much much stronger than yours.

5. Speaking to you like you have 4th stage brain cancer

- I know you are trying to be empathetic, but by treating us differently, it makes us feel even more 'less normal' than we already believe.

- in fact it's probably not even nice to speak to a person with 4th stage of cancer pitifully.

- all we really want is for you to treat us like a regular person; with respect and sensitivity.

Try to understand that going cnv visiting for a young adult with anxieties definitely took the person A HELL LOT courage.

- READER COMMENT:

But to the person who posted "5 things not to say to someone with depression on CNY" - OMG YES THANK YOU. Was trying to find the words as to why it's so terrible but couldn't move beyond hating to face these microaggressions in general, which is like .. it's never fun & I've always hated it so what's the difference now? - but you nailed it ohmygosh YASSS.

- To add (this may surprise others & I didn't think I would be affected & view it in a bad light till it happened) - "WAH! You lost so much weight leh! Very

stressed this year issitttt" <- not actual 拜年 per se but from acquaintance colleague to me.

- Errr, then what the hell how fat was I before this that the weight loss is so noticeable even to someone of such acquaintancy distance as you !?! (also none of your business anyway) But on that note - yes, was meds-related as well :(
  - Also YES to the part when you tried made the anxiety/fever/discomfort comparison like ... I wish the older generation realised this too :( Ditto abt the self-deprecating humour I should be the only person who can call myself crazy (or if you're my very very close friends & know that it's my way of referring to all my spontaneous ideas) - that's why I've not told my relatives abt my anxiety disorder cos wah confirm spread like wildfire when it's so personal to me. AND they call IMH like for 'siao people' or something like 😞😞😞 kthx ah.
  - <ok so in attempting to communicate this to the person who wrote that '5 things' message, I apologise if I've inadvertently turned this into a confessions page like thing. Cos you know they always say "to the OP of post #1736, ..." etc haha oops sorry unintentional - just wanted to say that YES I FEEL YOU & ahhh finally someone gets my sentiments on CNY gah>
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- [sees my mum carrying my cousin's baby] Eh your mum is ready to be a grandmother. When are you giving her a grandchild? (wtf I don't even have a boyfriend)
  - But I still think it's quite jialat for me to give Ang pows to an old auntie's 4 unmarried kids who are all four to ten years older than I. They line up to collect Ang pow from me some more. Buay pai say ah? (Btw gave my kids \$4 Ang pow while I gave \$6 to each of them. Pui.)
    - wah i thought same generation don't need to give?? like that i have to give ang baos to my unmarried friends meh?
  - Ps study harder and bag the A's.
  - To my 90 year old grandma, "so, are any of your friends still alive?"
  - [Visiting bf's relatives] Random uncle: Wah, your this one so fat. Next time get skinny one like this \*points to bf's cousin's girlfriend\* better.  
[Aunt mistakes my bf as my brother] WAH ONE YEAR TURN SO SKINNY LEH. GOT DIET AH?  
Mum: No, (brother) is here! \*points\*  
Aunt: WAH WHY YOU STILL SO FAT.
  - Eh how old?  
"20"  
Huh? 20 already still no boyfriend?! Faster go uni find boyfriend!  
"Huh.."  
After that go and be minister! Singapore no minister. All the minister all foreigners. Be the first person to be minister! (Continues talking about being a minister)  
"Okay okay. (Wtf....siao)"
  - Mum (to my long-time bf): Did you hear, (cousin) has applied for BTO!!!  
Bf: Ahaha, that's great for him. Anyways... \*tries to change the topic\*  
Mum: I can't believe that he already BTO with his girlfriend!!!  
Bf: ...right  
Mum: Both of them still studying and already BTO!!!  
Bf: ... oh  
Mum: IT'S SO GREAT THAT THEY'VE BTO!!!!!!!!!!  
Bf and me: ...  
(later in car)

- Mum: Look, a new block of flats! There's still so much land here that's up for BTO!!!
- wah eh you do graphic design is it, my company need a logo, can help uncle do one, very very simple one, like very easy one, 5 minutes do can already.
  - So what is she doing now after poly, cannot get into Uni right.(Currently studying year 2 in local university, graduated from JC)
  - wah, you look so slim in this shirt. must be the cutting. buy from where ah
  - Auntie: "We old already don't know how to wear clothes... my outfit my daughter buy for me one, add up all \$1000 leh!"
  - Distant relative: "Your son studying where now?"  
 Mom: "SMU"  
 Distant relative: "SMU is private uni right? Woah liddat not very espensif meh?"  
 Mom: "No la SMU is not private uni, it's the uni specialising in business/law/accountancy"  
 Distant relative: "Oh I thought is the other one.. Scare me. My son tell me that one is for people who cannot get into local uni cause their results too cui (lousy)"  
 Mom: "My son is a scholar and is doing double degree in law and business at SMU"  
 Distant relative: "WAA SO SMART!" \*Turns to me\* "LAI LAI, BOY COME AUNTY HAVEN'T GIVE U ANGPAO YET RIGHT?"  
 .... these people are practical aren't they.
  - When you getting married ah? Must let me know so I can prepare your hong bao in advance, k? If not, no money to give you hong bao ah!  
 (When I get married is my business, I don't need your hong bao to get married, just FYI) =.=
  - why go SMU? SMU bo ho la, party sch leh
  - Huh? Your son go uni for engineering 4 years still 2nd Lower arh?  
 My son go NUS 3 years already FIRST CLASS graduating and going to OXFORD for his Ph.D leh! - LOL oxford only gives out D.Phil's... not Ph dot Dees
  - Mum: Wah your (cousin) very pretty leh  
 Sis: Oh... Good for her  
 Mum: Unlike you lor, your thighs so fat  
 Sis: WTF but she is 12? and I'm 22?  
 Mum: Is the same!!!! Is girl!!
  - Why you wear red? You so fat should wear black, look slimmer
  - Aunt: Ah boy what's your salary now?  
 Me: Salary private la...  
 Aunt: Is it 3k?  
 Me: Is private la, cannot say one  
 Aunt: Is it 4k?  
 Me: Maybe  
 Aunt: WAH, you very rude you know!!!! (proceeds to announce to everybody that I am very rude)
  - "I mean why not you study to be a real doctor" (i'm going to uni for vet sci)
  - Ha? You working as Engineer? My wire spoil at home, can fix?
  - Mum's colleague: "Eh you also study \*\*\*\* poly arh? What course?"  
 Me: \*replies with diploma name\*  
 Colleague: "Ooo... my son in engineering..... \*long pause\* How much is your gpa arh?"  
 Me: "\*pokerface\* 3.5."  
 Colleague: "ORHHH... \*long pause again\* MY SON 3.6!"  
 Me inside: 'No one fckin asked for your son's gpa.'
  - Go study Australia, not smart enough for local uni ah?  
 Go study Australia, I didn't know your parents so rich leh (cb)
  - Uncle: (To me, a girl) "Wah, you passed your driving test on your first try? How short was your skirt?"

- Me: I was wearing home clothes. I.e. A sleeping shirt and long pants.
- you study law ah? next time help me fight case. Talk to you need to book appointment? Need to pay per hour? Can help me see this contract? Oh you know ah recently i tio parking saman, can appeal?
  - (brother brings girlfriend to relatives' places)  
relatives: wah your father going to become ah gong liao!  
they only dated for less than 1 month.....
  - (relatives sees my tattoos)  
"wah real one or fake one?" no la i draw one -\_-
  - "wah you going to study in australia ah"  
"yes"  
"where?"  
"adelaide"  
"never hear before leh" (.....) [+3000] .\_.  
"it's south australia"  
"why never go melbourne or sydney? more people hear before more"  
[me: fakes laughter]  
"when you going?"  
"next week"  
"next week?! why never tell us?!?!"  
*i tell you got more angpao money is it wtf i know you very well meh?!?!*
    - Admin response: Im going melbourne and that same reason allowed me to have an almost 500% increase in ang bao income. But it also means I end up having to entertain and listen to a lot more nonsense.
  - Parent: So many people of your age getting married, when your turn?  
Reply: So many people dying of old age, dont make me ask the same.
  - Wa! Go Raffles ah... What sports you play?
  - I will pass your kids' Ang Pows to you tomorrow ( after I checked how much you give in your Ang Pows to my kids when I get home)
  - Stupid
  - Auntie: "EH what you study ah?"  
Me: "Political science"  
Auntie: "SCIENCE AH????? WAAAA"  
I have no words for this ignorance.
  - Why study so much, go SIA be air stewardess??? Followup: how long you want to fly? Don't fly too long ok. All your previous years of work experience wasted leh. [I grad from smu. But dafug.. my life.my choice. Try getting through the interview first before making it sound like a rubbish job. Grrrr... i shall chalk it up to a case of sour grapes. Being a crew is much more than what most people think. Safety is e main priority and the life of passengers is in our hands ]
    - I had almost the same experience as you! Judgemental relatives who think Ive not made it in life for pursuing a career in passenger services when they dont even realise it is actually part of my poly attachment internship! I have a passion to serve and I dislike to be deskbound. Dont understand why during CNY those aunties think getting an office job is the best thing ever in the world
  - 怎么还不找男朋友啊?  
我: #有个老公了不起啊#
  - Cousin taking Course A: "Tsk, this course got no future one."  
Me: Not that yours is brighter than my phone screen okay?!
  - Mother, to everyone she meets: You know ah, my daughter/son used to always [insert embarrassing thing her kids did when they were young], you know!

#ProudlyAiringDirtyLaundry

- Relative: "Aiyoh, last time you short one. \*gestures exaggerated short height\* Waaaah, never see you for one year, you even grew taller!"  
What do you expect me to do, grow backwards!? =\_ =
- **ah boy, why your girlfriend skirt so short? later my boy boy see already nose bleed how?**
- Why still no kids?? Got go medical check up not?
- Oh you look like your mother now!
- Background info - I'm the only child  
Aunt: Wa new phone, confirm your father buy for you right?  
(Announces to everyone) This girl is princess, at home do nothing one!  
Aunt: Her father is like her slave you know
- (Aunt who works in some MNC firm: "My company only accept students from public universities like NUS and NTU. -- I also never say I want to go there and work, who wants to be your colleague sia

What I felt like saying: Fuck you, I worked part time after my exams and bought it with my own salary. You don't know anything so pls just stop assuming.

- your mother and sister all so mao tiao, why you are not like them?
- how come your family all wear red, you wear black? \*hello... it's navy blue\*
- heelo u blind is it never see me
- "How was UK?:
- Got gf? Don't have ah? go Ind
- Great aunt commenting on a skinny male cousin: Wa boy you need to gain some weight ah!  
Too skinny already! (turns to me) Why don't you give him some of yours (fats)?
- 'Oh. So u r a doctor.. U just see patients and give them medicines right?'
- CNY DAY 1  
Annoying relative: wow! Finally seeing you in a dress! You look good!  
\*in my mind\*: um thanks? It's not the first time I'm in a dress by the way.. But thanks.....  
Me: haha thanks.  
Annoying relative: so next year can bring boyfriend already la?

What I wanted to say: Why is it that people so often discuss a woman's outfit/how she looks and correlates it to whether she has a boyfriend or not?

1) thanks again but I don't dress for anyone. I wear whatever I like to wear.

2) why is it that more often than not, people in general like to question about relationship statuses? Is it the most important thing in this world?

Moving on to 3) It's sad that society still places a woman's worth in her relationship status

4) so much heteronormativity in this whole "do you have a boyfriend?" shit. Hello, 21st century already please. --

#macroagresion maybe?

- fake boobs cousin: my only criteria for guys is must tall everything else nvm  
my short boyfriend: ohhh my only criteria for girls is boobs cannot fake
- Hey... You lost a lot of weight...
- Mom: Wah you wearing the 20k ring ah  
Loud flashy taitai: What 20k?! THIS RING FORTY THOUZEND OK  
Mom: your bag nice ah  
Loud flashy taitai: YA U SEE \*demonstrates the complicated closure\* I GO IN THE LV SALESGIRL SHOW ME THEN I IMPRESS SO I BUY STRAIGHTAWAY NO NEED THINK ONE ANYWAY LV ONLY



- At home -

Me: \*open super nice design angpao\* \$6 only, my bf \$4 only.

Mom: wtf \$4 is for maid i give her kids \$10

- My boy is so smart he was in both the Airforce and Navy..
- Relative: Oh so what you studying now?  
Me: Interior Design  
Relative: Oh design ah? Designer pay very low one leh. Why never go study business? Next time can design my house, must give discount ah

lol you're as cheap as the angbaos you give ffs

- relative to sister: "wah you wear this dress look so skinny leh!" (meant as a criticism i.e. too skinny not good)  
\*sis pretends not to hear\*  
\*relative continues to repeat the same thing until response is received\*  
[FYI my sis isn't even model-thin]
- Me see chio bu cousin during CNY...  
"Meimei, add me wechat (Show qr code: <http://imgur.com/jYnOXop>)"
- Just married hor. Congrats ah? So, when gonna have baby?
- Your stomach so big people dunno tot you are pregnant!  
(I know I got fat over the last year but I don't need you to remind me!)
- aunty (about to give ang bao): you how old already?  
me: 27 this year  
aunty: and you still single?! (promptly keeps angbao and walks away)
- Obnoxious cousin: "oh you taking up this Diploma at (private institution), my certificate at (also private institution) better than your Diploma lei." Later, just before she leaves, "Can I borrow your notes?" - if your cert is better, why do you still need my notes?

Hi-class auntie: "Hey, you better dun eat this goodie, no good, the oil they fried never change. Eat this goodie I bought, natural organic, no preservative." ya auntie, you eat all organic stuff, manner also organic like caveman.

same auntie: "you stay HDB so good, got parking. My house only can park two cars inside, no place for my son and daughter-in-law cars. Must park outside our gate."

- Cousin: "Jie jie, you last time in what poly ah? (He just got into VJC) "  
Me: I was from JC...
- WAH! This year your son get married in sept, next year must work very hard!!! 2 years later, can make back all the angbao he has to give next year hor! Start looking forward to alot of cucus (peranakan/malay term for grandkids) ! -looks pointedly at own grandchild-

ummm, am I a baby making machine?!

- Eh you lost so much weight! What slimming pills did you take?
- Why your Boyfriend study this?
- You study linguistics ah? Can speak how many languages?  
- knn doctors study about diseases you got ask them how many diseases they have anot
- [Speaks in dialect] "That one is Ah Boy's girlfren arh?! I wondering why the maid mingling with your guests..."
- My daughter is currently on a scholarship to Oxford while my son is an also on a scholarship in the US studying to be an architect. You in NUS right but not on scholarship hor.
- Sis to distant nephew: hi what's your name? This year how old? Sec one ah? What school? What's your psle score?

- You want latte? Normal or skinny milk? I think for you skinny milk better la hor, better. --
  - Uncle: Are you happy?  
Me: Yeah, not too bad.  
Uncle: No, you're not happy.  
Me: Erm...huh?  
Uncle: You're not happy because you're not Christian.
  - 30 Liao should get married!
  - Your daughter so dark when she was born, luckily not so dark now, luckily the skin like papa.  
Why she was dark earlier on, is that because of your milk?
  - Why still no girlfriend/boyfriend? No one wants you ah?
  - Before you know your relatives are going to ask 'WHEN ARE YOU GETTING MARRIED', tell your parents to help to answer. =P At least it works for me tho.  
Relatives: When you getting married??  
Me: \*Point to my parents\* --->>>>  
Parents: Aiyo, can wait one la... \*Taichi to another topic\*.  
See? As simple as that!
  - Aunt with his young son: Wahh you so tall, play basketball one ah?  
Me: No la, i seldom play basketball, but i play badminton more.  
Aunt with impressive look: Wahh really ah? \*turns to his son\* You see this kor kor play badminton until so tall, later i ask Daddy play more badminton with you horrr.
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  - why are you single
  - Make sure you get married next year ah, I don't want to give you angbao next time already.
  - Relative: When are you getting married?
  - When are you gonna get married?
  - Your Son from student council counsel students Everyday ah?
  - "why you dye hair until like that, want to be angmoh ah" well fuck you & ur internalised eurocentric stupidity i guess
  - "wear sandles with socks, want to jap RIGHT"
  - Relative: When are you getting married?  
Her: Not so soon.  
Relative: Huh? Must be not love bf enough right?
  - "eh your face like rounder. not bad thing la, just rounder"  
HAHAHAHAHA
  - Every single year there will be this aunt with a son that keeps eating 10 rounds at the buffet line and fat af.. but will come and say me "Aiyo why you eat until so round?!"
- Knn look at your own son before you come talk about other people
- Stare
  - eat eat eat. still eat, later fatter than your sister/brother alr la
  - Happened a decade ago to my uncle who just started working  
Relative: Must give more money to your mother okay? You just started working!  
After extended family left...  
Uncle: What did you complain to your relatives about?!  
/cue MAJOR argument
  - if u think all this is bad try playing poker for a living
  - "Boy you got GF anot? No ah? Go India find! Very good, you marry them they give you cow!" I can't even...

- At every CNY reunion:  
cousin who is underweight with high cholesterol: why you still so skinny?????????  
(i have a digestive disorder)  
Blood is not thicker than water.
- "No offence ah, if it's me when I was in NUS, and I saw a girl like you alot of tattoos one ah, I confirm run the other way" - cousin-in-law

Me (in my head): Run, run as far as your legs can.

- I love my relatives and all, but it's still funny to recount this:

my aunt has 2 daughters and a son, my mom has 3 daughters.

when we were kids my aunt loved comparing our heights and would exclaim in glee that her daughters were gonna be taller than us.

years later us 3 sisters had growth spurts (my sis went from being nicknamed 矮冬瓜 to being 1.7m) while my cousins stopped growing taller... the height difference is now about 10cm.

So she starts to tell us: "too tall not good, difficult to find boyfriend"

Then more recently she decided to compare her son's height with us instead. he's taller, but come on... we're all in our twenties or close?? even someone with perfect eyesight wouldn't see the point in that (ok sorry bad joke.)

The ironic thing in all this is that my aunt's shorter than her daughters (so it's no surprise that her daughters aren't very tall), yet she's trying to compare heights with us who have the genetic advantage of 2 tall parents... I mean you must know when you're playing a losing game right HAHA

- I warn you first ah, this is the last year i giv yu angpao ya, don't say i never warn you ah
- "Oh you studying physiotherapy? Can help me massage please?"  
That's not even the point of my career path.
- they called my waifu a shit
- ~~to be continued...~~~