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<p>“The talk was going along well enough, until I remembered one major difference that made the whole talk sound wrong. My mother was in the room. And it was perhaps the first time she had heard me give a length speech, using the kind of English I have never used with her” Page#1</p>	<p>I chose this quote because in a way I see myself in it. I have had scenarios almost the same as the writer. The only difference between my scenario and the authors is that my happend in Spanish. I had Spanish classes in High School, my way of speaking in class is different Compared to how I speak at home or with my friends.</p>
<p>“Yet some of my friends tell me they understand 50 percent of what my mother says. Some say they understand 80 to 90 percent. Some say they understand none of it, as if she were speaking Chinese. But to me, my mother’s English is perfectly clear, perfectly natural.” Page#1</p>	<p>That quote is funny and it also relates to me. When it comes to speaking Spanish, it is said that Dominicans speak very fast. Therefore, there are many people who also speak Spanish from other countries and they have stressed to me many times that they are not able to understand my language. But when we talk between Dominicans we understand each other perfectly normal</p>
<p>“I was fifteen, she used to have me call people on the phone to pretend I was her. In this guise, I was forced to ask information or even to complain and yell at people who had been rude to her.” Page #2</p>	<p>This quote made me laugh a lot and also brought back good memories. I had to do the same thing a few times. I pretended to be my father when he had to speak English on the phone.</p>
<p>“And this made me think that there are other Asian-American students whose English spoken in the home might also be described as “broken” or ”limited” And perhaps they also have teachers who are steering away from writing and into math and science, which is what happened to me. ” Page #3</p>	<p>I agree with his argument in this quote. Asian people seem to be more dedicated to math and science in high school. I think that the level of English a foreign person has in the United States has a strong influence on taking a university degree.</p>