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Who am I?

Who am I? That's a loaded question for me. There are so many groups that I identify as and group myself with that it's hard to narrow it down. I decided for my shirt to do the main things that I identify as. In bold blue ink, I wrote the words *Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc* to represent the sorority that I joined. I joined this sorority in Fall of 2020. Under this word, I put *Legacy* because my mom and grandma are both apart of the same sorority as me. Another word I used was *Caribbean* and underneath I put *Trinidadian and Jamaican* since those are my nationalities that I identify as. According to society, I identify as a *pansexual female*, so I made sure to add that to my shirt as well. I made sure to add *BLM* because I am a black woman and stand by my people of color. I added *New Yorker* because I was raised here, and the culture is something that everyone knows about but it different when you are a part of it because only New Yorkers will understand certain things.

I decided to cut up the shirt because I am always showing skin and rarely wear full shirts, so cutting it represented me more. I am a fashion designer, so I decided to cut and tie up the shirt to show uniqueness and creativity for this project. I chose to get a *reshaped* tight fitting white shirt because I like to be able to show off my body, this is another way I do that. I added some new words during this process such as, *Entrepreneur* because I have my own business and currently working on growing it. Lastly, I put the word *sister* because I am the oldest and the youngest amongst 12 siblings and that term describes my job as a person because I make sure it is known that I was always have my siblings back.

I decided to design this shirt the way I did because I wanted to express who I am the only when I know how and that's with fashion. I added a lot of little drawings to go with each word, so that it can be better understood and add flare to my shirt. I identify as many things in today's society but I was able to narrow it to the main ones that make me, me. Each symbol and word that is written on the shirt is just the tip of the iceberg of who I am.

