

## American Born Chinese Scavenger Hunt



Cartoon by Pat Oliphant  
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### Understanding the Cartoon

- 1) Who are the characters/people in this cartoon?
- 2) How is each character/person depicted? Provide a specific example of something they say or do to support your claim about their representation.
- 3) What stereotypes are present in this cartoon? Provide at least 3 examples and explain why these stereotypes are offensive.
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.

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- 4) Where have you seen this cartoonist's name?
  - a. What does this reference to the artist imply about this part of the book?
  - b. What theme is reinforced by this naming?
- 5) Where have you seen the date?
- 6) What spelling is the same in the bottom panels?
  - a. What does the spelling indicate about this character?
- 7) What other detail from this comic strip is referenced in the book?
  - a. What does it mean that he included this reference?