

Race

"Where are you from?"

"London."

"Well where were you born?"

"London."

"Well, before then?"

"There was no before then!"

"Well, where are your parents from?"

"Barbados."

"Oh, so you're from Barbados."

"No, I'm from London."

**Gary Younge, a black Briton,
recounting a "typical conversation" in England,
in *Stranger in a Strange Land***