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Dare To Be Yourself

These days, people feel like they need to fall into categories. For example, if you join the band, people might start to consider you a band geek. Eventually those people could start acting like band geeks to fit that stereotype. You then start to lose your personality and lose your real friends.

Some people just choose the wrong friends. Their friends will tell them how they need to act and who they need to be friends with. If your friends are like that, then they aren't supporting your dreams and aspirations. The friends that you choose should be boosting you up, not breaking you down.

If you can get past all the stereotypes and wrong suggestions, then you have made yourself unique and different. You can be yourself and achieve what you've always wanted to do.

Every day people work towards becoming their own person, but not everyone gets there. That's because they are trying to do what they think sounds and looks right. By doing this, they aren't getting anywhere. They are just being fake and hiding what they really want with stereotypes. I don't think they'll be satisfied with how their life turns out if it isn't what they actually wanted.

You should never let others affect your life more than you do and you should never be afraid to be yourself.