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About the Author Zhu Song has three phrases she dislikes: "Where are you from?," "Why, you speak perfect English!," and "You're so lucky to be able to speak Chinese!" Her responses are "How much time do you have?," "Why yes, I speak it better than you," and "That's because I am Chinese. Fancy that." The Chinese expect rusty Mandarin, the English an Asian accent, and the Americans an American one. She routinely confounds them all.