

Who They Think I Am

To my friends - I am funny,
I make my classmates laugh.
I can be silly,
I can be careless,
I'm allowed to make witty jokes.
But I can't be too quiet,
Or too serious,
Or too stoic,
Because that's not who they think I am.

To my teachers - I am average,
I can get my work done,
And I like to have fun,
But I should answer more questions,
And be more proactive in class,
Though I can't ask too many,
Or act like a know it all,
And raise my hand too much,
Because that's not who they think I am.

To my parents - I am sarcastic,
And rude and worrisome.
I can be smart,
And I can get good grades,
And do well in school.
But I shouldn't fail,
Or not know something,
Or do things they don't like,
Because that's not who they think I am.

To myself I am smart,
And dumb.
I get good grades,
And I get bad ones.
And I am mean,
And nice,
And funny,
And serious.
I am all these things,
But they don't know that,
Because that's not who they think I am.