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Explore Your Cultural Baggage

1. After reading the section “What is Culture?”, define culture in your own words.

After reading the section “Are You Culturally Aware of Yourself?”, Answer the questions presented.

2. How close do you usually stand from a friend while talking?

A stranger?

How close is too close?

3. How much eye contact is too much? Too little? Why?

4. How comfortable are you when a friend touches your shoulder or pats your arm while talking with you?

An acquaintance?

When does it become too much?

5. When do you show up for a party? On time? 10 minutes late? 2 hours late? 5 minutes early?

6. Do you usually get directly to the point or do you beat around the bush? Are you somewhere in between? Why?

7. What is more important, the group or the individual?

Are you more concerned with maintaining harmony with those around you or achieving the best results for yourself?

8. When showing someone where something is, do you point? Gesture with one finger? The whole hand?

How do you get someone's attention to come to you? Fingers inward? Outward?

9. After reading the descriptions of how these may differ culturally, explain how this could make visiting a different country difficult.