My
Cross - Culture
Experiences
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# **Cross culture Experience**

A cross culture experience can be defined as an interaction between two people of different cultures, in which both parties can learn from each others traditions, customs and overall lifestyle.

#### What is culture?

- Where you live
- Food Nationality
- Symbols and languages
- Traditions & Norms
- Taboos and Superstitions



## **Individualism within Culture Groups**

- People within the same culture groups can experience their culture differently
- Location allows for different interpretations of culture
- Different age groups will have different social norms



#### What makes social interactions unique?



- Socialization is a construct made within a society that outlines how we should act and when to do so.
- Social Interactions are made unique depending on people and scenarios.
- Depending on the social interaction, people must depict what role they must play
- This creates unique interactions within people

# **Difficulty Adapting**

- Why is it harder for some versus others to adapt to new cultures?
- They don't agree with other culture traditions, norms and believes
- Or they reject it due to their own believes



# **DIfficulty Adapting**

- Ethnocentric point of view
- They believe their ideologies are the best and only one that should be followed
- Some have grown accustomed to their own culture and cannot see outside it



## **My Experience**

- I grew up in a neighborhood with an abundance of diversity
- I was able to learn how to coexist with people from different cultures
- I learned from my peers' culture and they learned from mine
- I was taught to look outside my culture and lifestyle



### My experience

- I immigrated from El Salvador when i was
- I was raised in an American Society with their norms and values
- My expectations are different than someone who immigrated at an older age
- I was able to adapt fast and smoothly due to the fact that I was young



### **Conclusion**

All the factors that makeup our culture are the same factors that fuel our interactions in society. With different factors come various outcomes, and different types of people that will have their own unique way of thinking. Cross cultural interactions happen everyday in America where the person standing next to you may have a completely opposite lifestyle than yours.

