

# My Cross Cultural Experiences

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# What is Cross-cultural?

Cross-cultural refers to the coexistence of two or more cultures within the same space, but which have differences such as expression, interaction and communication between them. This coexistence occurs without neglecting respect for the thinking of other people who are part of this coexistence, in which there is also an exchange of knowledge, skills, ideals, beliefs, thoughts and behaviors that make them identify as belonging to their culture.

# My Experience

The main medium that has allowed me to interact with people from different cultures has been the School. It was at school that I first experienced cross-culture. I met Maria from Guatemala, Jasmin from Mexico, Yineidy from the Dominican Republic and Eyman from Yemen. People who were like a bridge to the different cultures that each of them belonged to. Each one of them made me know their gastronomy the typical food of their country, I could eat tacos, chuchitos, mangu, Jachnun among others.

# Mexican culture

-Mexico is located in the northern part of the American continent. The Mexican culture is made up of customs, traditions and, of course, gastronomy.

-One of the symbols that best describes typical Mexican food is its famous chili, which in English is spicy.

-As in most cultures, music is a fundamental component of Mexican identity and culture. One of the most popular and easily recognizable sounds is MARIACHIS.

-The Day of the Dead is considered the most representative tradition of Mexican culture. The origin of the Day of the Dead has the belief that the deceased could return home one day of the year to visit their loved ones. In this way, death did not represent the end of life, but its continuation in a parallel world.





# The culture of Guatemala

- Guatemala is a country that is located in Central America.
- Guatemala is also well known for its use of brightly colored yarn fabrics. This is another reflection of Guatemalan history, as brightly colored fabrics were very popular among the Mayans.
- The gastronomy of Guatemala reflects the fusion and multiculturalism of the country, which offers different dishes although touches of Mayan cuisine always stand out in most traditional dishes based on chili peppers and corn.



# Dominican culture

- The Dominican Republic is located in the eastern part of the island "Hispaniola", in the archipelago of the Antilles, located in the Caribbean Sea.
- The gastronomy of the Dominican Republic is a reflection of the Spanish and African influences that have influenced the society and culture of the country.
- Music is essential in the life of Dominicans and has influenced their way of being, they are characterized by being happy, open and talkative.
- Merengue is the typical musical and dance style of the Dominican Republic.

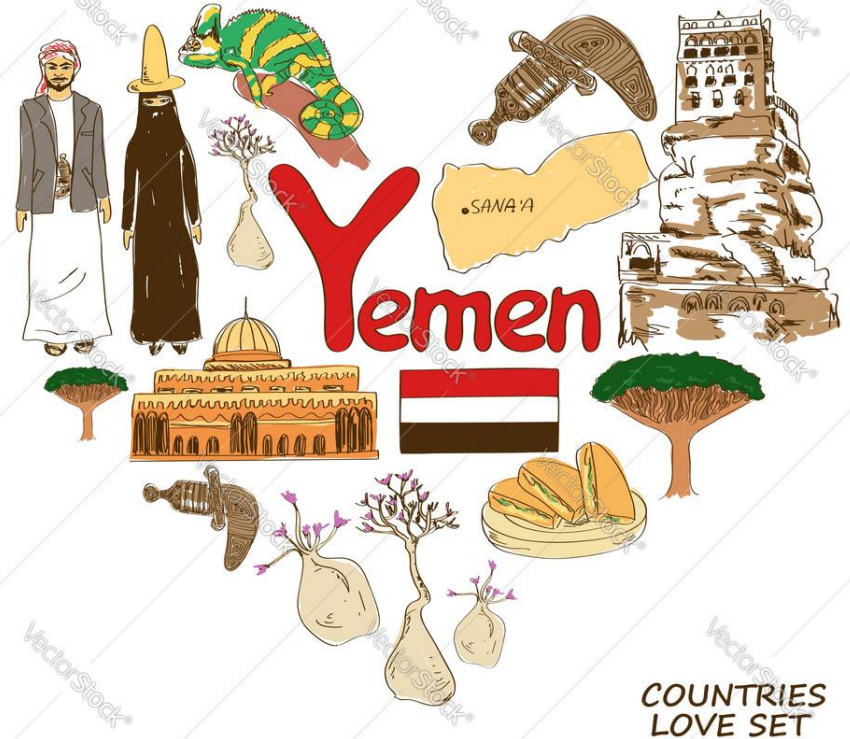


# The Culture of Yemen

-Yemen is located in the Middle East, in the south of the Arabian peninsula.

-Being a predominantly Muslim nation, the culture that is breathed in Yemeni society is the one that is typically found in an Islamic country: women wearing veils that cover their faces, men with mustaches.

- When it comes to gastronomy, sheep and goat meat are the most popular options. Because pork is prohibited.



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# Being Ecuadorian



The culture of my country Ecuador is the one that identifies me and differentiates me from the rest of the countries and their culture is what makes me unique. Being Ecuadorian means diversity, my country is a combination of ethnicities, races and cultures. Being Ecuadorian is more than being part of a nation like any other, being Ecuadorian is taking our country to heart, it is more than supporting a soccer team, or celebrating recognition. In Ecuador we are white, black, mestizo and indigenous, we are all the same people, the same nation and the same heart.



## Conclusion

The cross-cultural experiences that I have had have been incredible, although at first it seemed strange to even be able to adapt to all that, now I feel fortunate to have the privilege of being in a multicultural country. We live in a diverse and multicultural world. Each country has its own characteristics, such as language, gastronomy, music, dances, traditions, habits, laws, beliefs, literature, art, clothing, among others. Living in New York City has allowed me to know and will allow me to continue knowing the different cultures of the world.

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