

Cultural Responsiveness and CultureGrams

Culture can be said to be those customs, values, beliefs, traditions, and institutions that create and mediate individual, community, and national identity. This shared social knowledge, which is transmitted through generations, is defined by both broad forces (such as history, economics, and religion) and by elements of everyday life (such as dress, food, family life, and celebrations). **CultureGrams** offers descriptions of these topics and more, allowing crucial connections to be made between the many facets that make up a country's culture.

CultureGrams



CultureGrams, which is available on the **Virtual Reference Collection (VRC)**, is a primary source for concise, reliable, and up-to-date cultural information on more than 200 countries of the world. This database provides an insider's perspective on daily life and culture, including the history, customs, and lifestyles of the world's people.

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