

Unit 3: Culture and Social Structure

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Journal #1

Describe the first time you went to a specific friends house for the first time.

- What was similar and what was different from your home/family?
- Did you have to take your shoes off? What was the food like? Etc.
- Did you feel comfortable? Why or why not

Journal #2

How would you define your own culture to someone?

Explain how and why. Use examples

Journal #3

How is hardcore a subculture and not just a genre of music?

Explain and use examples

Hint: Examine the components of culture

Journal #4

What is one subculture that you are a part of?

How does that subculture differ from the general American culture?

What does that subculture share with the general American culture?

Explain and use examples

Journal #5

Choose a subculture that you are not a part of.

(don't use the one from your project)

How would your life be similar and different if you were a part of it?

Explain and use the 5 components of culture.

Journal #6

What aspect of culture most separates the United States from other countries? Explain

Journal #7

What roles do you take on currently in your life?

(ex: brother, daughter, student, employee, girlfriend, etc..)

How do you act differently in each role?

Which role do you perform the best? Explain why

Journal #8

List the 5 main social institutions the status you hold under each institution and describe the role you take on to fulfill the status.

Which is your master status and explain why?

Journal #9

Which group of people do you most regularly spend time with? Why are you a part of this group?

Which group of people do you prefer to spend time with? Why? And why are you a part of this group?

Journal #10

What is your reference group?

How has your reference group affected your life?

Explain and use examples (positive and negative if applicable)

Journal #11

What about your culture do you want to pass down to future generations?

Explain why?