

What is Culture?

Art: What forms of art are typical of this culture? (Crafts, painting, drama, music, dance)

Buildings: Which buildings, monuments, structures, and types of homes symbolize this culture?

Communication: How do people communicate with each other? How is information spread?

Dress: What clothing is typical of this culture?

Economy: Who owns the farms and factories? Are they high tech, low tech or no tech?

Family: What does the typical family look like? What is the role of women and children?

Government: Who has power? How is the average citizen connected to the government?

History: What experiences have shaped this culture?

Icon: what images cause an immediate response in every person?

Jobs: How does the average person or family make a living?

Knowledge: How is knowledge passed from one generation to the next?

Language: What words and expressions have a special meaning?

Movement & Migration: How does the average person get around? To where are people moving?

National Pride: what people, places and things spark feelings of loyalty and patriotism?

Organization: What are the most important organizations (formal and informal) in this society?

Population: What are the largest groups (age, race, religion, language)?

Quality of Life: Rate the average person's health and happiness.

Religion: What beliefs and values do people hold? What are the traditional holidays and festivals?

Status: What classes, castes, professions and groups have high and low status?

Taboos: What behaviors are considered to be totally unacceptable?

Urban or Rural: Do most people live in the city or countryside? What do most communities look like?

Vacation and Recreation: How do people in this culture have fun?

Ways of Everyday Life: How do people take care of... cooking, washing clothes, shopping?

X Marks the Spot: How does geography shape their culture?

Yum: What foods were invented here? What do people eat for breakfast, lunch and dinner?

Ztuff: Stuff that is typical of this culture.