

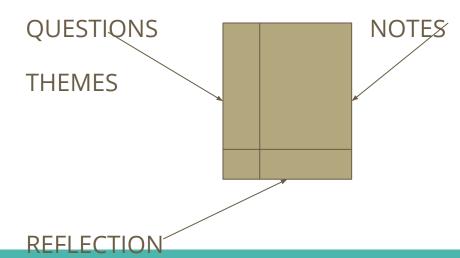
# **CULTURAL UNIVERSALS**

A way to compare cultures across time and around the world

# **Note Taking Skills**

**Cornell Notes-**Divide paper into 3 sections. One line at bottom horizontally across, and another on the left margin vertically

(Look to Chalkboard for example)



### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ErSjc1PEGKE

#### Theme:

Which indicate what is <u>valued</u> in a society, what the peoples' <u>code of ethics</u> is, what <u>symbols</u> represent their ideas (e.g., Statue of Liberty in the U.S.A.)

# **Political Organization:**

Which covers a society's government, laws and law enforcement and its war and peace strategies/tendencies.

#### **Communications:**

Which cover the <u>language</u> and <u>number</u> system of the people.



## Food, Clothing and Shelter:

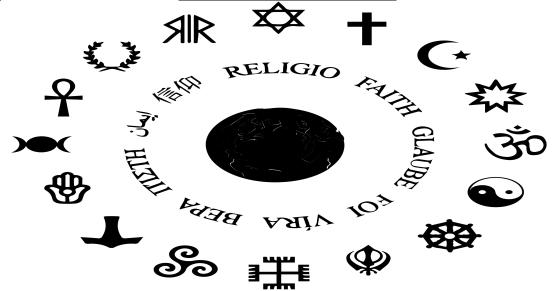
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#### **Attitude toward the Unknown:**

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### **10 Cultural Universals 1-5**

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### **Universals 1-5 Turn and Talk about Examples (Use Notes)**

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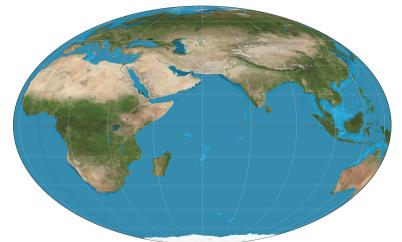
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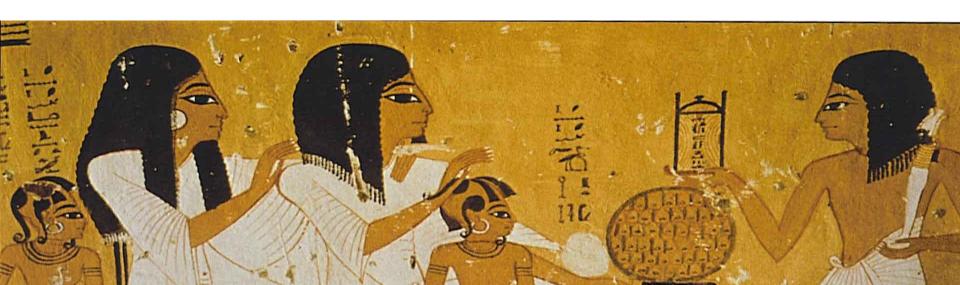
### **Background:**

Which involves, a geographic setting and a group of people for whom one can provide a physical description.



#### **Arts and Esthetic Values:**

Which are seen in its <u>art, music, dance, drama</u> and <u>literature</u>.



#### **Recreation:**

Which is enjoyed by all peoples as seen through their games and sports and their use of leisure

time.



#### **Economics**:

A culture's <u>technology</u>, <u>transportation</u>, <u>mode of trade</u> and/or <u>money</u> and its <u>division of labor</u> are considered items in the category of "economics."



## Family and Kin:

Includes the <u>culture's child training</u>, <u>rites of</u> <u>passage</u>, <u>education</u>, <u>marriage traditions and</u>

family grouping styles.



### 10 Cultural Universals 6-10

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# 6-10 Universals....Turn and Talk (Use Notes)

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**Recreation:** 

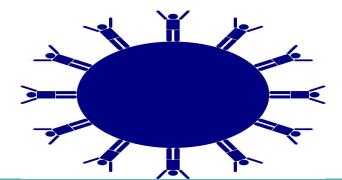
**Economics**:

Family and Kin:

# For this DIG project, we are starting by focusing on 2

<u>THEME</u>-which indicate what is valued in a society, what the peoples' code of ethics is, what symbols represent their ideas (e.g., Statue of Liberty in the U.S.A.).

**BACKGROUND**-where the culture existed, a geographic setting and a group of people for whom one can provide a physical description.



## Let's Practice with da Vinci Middle School

**Theme**- Name some important symbols? What's important to our school? What is right and wrong? How do we know?

Background-What time period do we exist? What kind of geography surrounds da Vinci?



# **CREATE YOUR OWN CULTURE W/THESE 2 UNIVERSALS**

**THEME:** Which indicate what is valued in a society, what the peoples' code of ethics is, what symbols represent their ideas (Statue of Liberty in the USA)

**BACKGROUND:** Which involves a time during which the culture existed, a geographic setting and a group of people for whom one can provide a physical description.

# **Results?**

Theme-

Background-

## What about the USA?

Theme- Name some important symbols? What's important to our country? What is right and wrong? How do we know?

Background-What time period do we exist? What kind of geography exists in the U.S.A.?



# **Results?**

Theme-

Background-

# Now you get to create your own culture

Brainstorm ideas for an original culture, using these categories as a guide. Once you have your ideas for a unique culture, describe the following five aspects of your culture on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences. See the additional guidelines in your DIG Overview packet. Remember, your culture should be completely original.

- 1. **Time Period** / **Geographic Setting** (When and where did these people live? What kind of geographic setting forest, desert, etc. Create something new, don't use specific countries, be descriptive)
- 2. **Physical Description of People** (What do the people look like? Any minor evolutionary adaptations? No superpowers please)
- 3. **Values** (What is important to them?)
- 4. **Ethics** (What is right and wrong?)