



Citizenship – Respecting Diversity

## Part 1: How we learn about culture

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Children all across the world are born into families.

Those families belong to or are part of different cultures.



Slide 01. Children

Families provide food, shelter and love for their children.

Young children learn about their culture by being part of a family.



## Slide 02. Families



Children learn about their culture by learning about:

- language
- what to do
- what not to do

## Slide 03. Children learn by



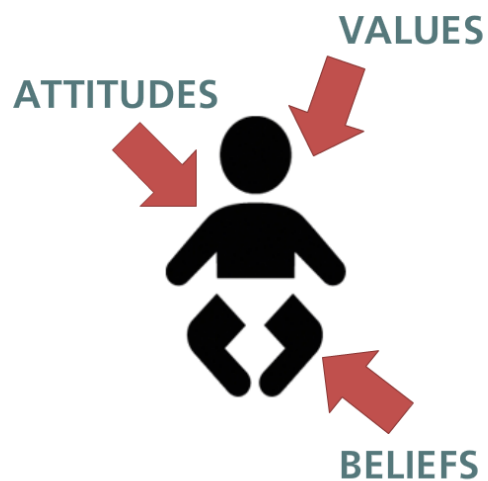
Children also learn a lot about their culture(s) when they see members of their family interact with other people.

They see the way their family acts and learn how to behave.

#### Slide 04. Interacting

In being raised within a culture, a child learns

- what that culture **values** (what's important)
  - the **attitudes** of that culture (how people think or feel)
- and
- that culture's **beliefs** (ideas people think are true).



#### Slide05. Values, attitudes, beliefs

Some of the attitudes and beliefs we learn are about

### Gender roles:

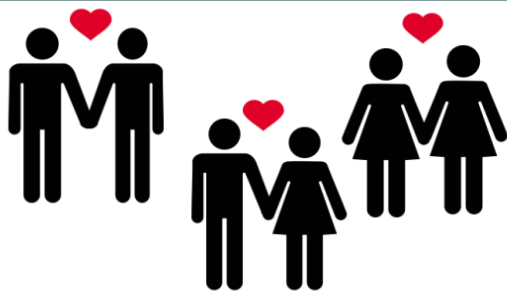
How should a man act? How should a woman act?

What jobs should a man or woman do?

What is feminine? What is masculine?



Slide 06. Gender roles



### Sexuality:

Who do you have romantic relationships with?

Who do you have a family with?

Slide 07. Sexuality

## Disability:

How are people with physical or intellectual disabilities thought of and treated in my culture?



Slide 08. Disability

## Racial interactions:

How do I interact with people from other cultures?

How do I think about the way other cultures behave and live?

Slide 09. So what happens...

In Australia there are lots of people living together that belong to many different cultures.

This means lots of people, living close together, with very different languages, ways of doing things (customs) and ways of living.

This is because Australia is a multicultural country.



Slide 10. Multicultural country



It can be difficult for two people who belong to two different cultures to communicate.

Each person has different ideas about how to act and communicate. Sometimes it can be difficult to understand why the other person acts that way.

Slide 11. Communication problems

For people to live peacefully in a multicultural country, they need to be tolerant.

This means accepting that other people may live their lives in very different ways than the way you have been taught to live by your family, and that this is OK, that there is not one right way to live.



Slide 12. Tolerance