



Building  
Bridges for Young Learners

# Culture



Although we all are similar in many ways, we each have our own culture.



Romania

Your culture is made up of all the things that are unique to your family, community, or country.

It can include traditions from long ago that have been passed down from one generation to the next.



Romania



Cameroon



*We experience other people and their cultures every day.*

*You may see someone who seems very different from you. They may speak or dress in a way that is new to you.*

*What else is a part of someone's culture?*



Malawi



Kazakhstan

How people prepare food and what they enjoy eating can be part of their culture.

In some countries, people may eat foods you've never tried before.

These boys in Zambia have caught grasshoppers to eat.



Zambia





Fiji

The ways people celebrate festivals and holidays are also part of their culture.

In Fiji, many people wear colorful costumes during festivals.

People from different cultures may travel from one place to another in different ways.

If you lived in Thailand, you might even ride an elephant.



Niger



Thailand





Mauritania

The way people greet one another is a part of culture, too. In Mauritania, people sometimes put their right hand to their chest as a sign of respect when greeting someone.

What are some ways you greet other people?



Micronesia



United States



People might do different kinds of things for fun, depending on the culture they come from.

If you were a child in Kazakhstan, you might learn to play the dombra.



Dominican Republic



Kazakhstan

You can learn a lot about the culture of a country or people by studying their history. You can learn about the people or events that are important to them.

Do you know something about the history of the place where you live?



South Africa



Togo

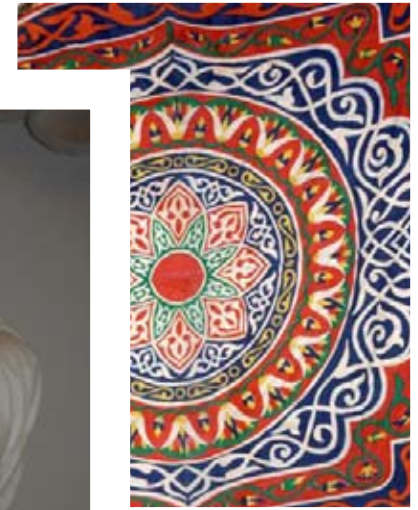




Malawi



Ukraine



Jordan



Senegal

Art is also an excellent way to learn about a culture.

By studying art from different parts of the world, we can learn more about the people who made it.





Mali

Everyone has a culture, no matter what country they call home. Some cultures may be very different than yours; and that's what makes the world such an interesting place!

There are many ways we can learn to understand the cultures all around us.

How would you describe your culture?