

Exploring Cultural Studies: Basics for Middle School

Cultural Studies · Answer Key · 8 Questions

1. What generally defines a group's shared way of life, including their beliefs, customs, and arts?

- A) Geography
- B) Economy
- C) Culture**
- D) Politics

2. What do we call an object, gesture, or sound that stands for something else in a culture?

- A) An invention
- B) A symbol**
- C) A habit
- D) A tool

3. How are traditions and customs typically passed down from one generation to the next within a culture?

- A) Through government laws
- B) Through school textbooks only
- C) Through oral stories and family practices**
- D) Through scientific experiments

4. Which of these factors is a key part of an individual's cultural identity?

- A) Their favorite color
- B) Their shoe size
- C) Their nationality or ethnic background**
- D) Their current weather forecast

5. What term describes the ideas, perspectives, attitudes, images, and other phenomena that are common to a consensus within a given culture, especially those that spread through mass media?

- A) High culture
- B) Folk culture
- C) Popular culture**
- D) Ancient culture

6. A group of people within a larger culture who share common interests, beliefs, or practices that are distinct from the majority is known as a what?

- A) An empire
- B) A subculture**
- C) A nation
- D) A corporation

7. The process by which cultures around the world become more interconnected and similar due to the spread of technology, trade, and communication is called what?

- A) Isolation
- B) Colonization
- C) Globalization**
- D) Preservation

8. Which of the following is an example of non-material culture?

- A) A smartphone
- B) A traditional dance**
- C) A historical building
- D) A type of clothing