

Identity Artifacts!

Background

- Your school/work should be a place where your identity is recognized, valued, and supported.
- Historically, science has not always been welcoming to people with certain identities and backgrounds; **we need to change this for the future!**
- This is an OPTIONAL activity but past participants have found it very helpful.

Instructions

1. Add a new slide to create your own ID artifacts (click “+” in upper left corner).
2. Include your full name in a visible place.
3. Decorate the slide with words and pictures that represent aspects of your identity.

You can:

- a. Include your own photos
- b. Use images from the web
- c. Draw on the slide (click the line segment icon above and choose “scribble” in the dropdown menu)
- d. Create part or all of ID artifacts slide on a piece of paper and then scan it and put it on your slide.

Tips: Only include things that you feel comfortable sharing with others. Don’t worry about trying to make it perfect! Just have fun with it.

Things to consider about your identity

Think about things that really make you who you are. It's not about all the places you've traveled but if a particular trip is important to who you are, include it!

Factors that make up one's identity

- **Personal** (Ex: Are you a worrier? Are you very curious? What kinds of sports/foods/hobbies interest you?)
- **Social** (Ex: Do you belong to a club or group? Do you have a certain type of job?)
- **Cultural** (Ex: Do you identify with a particular race/culture/ethnicity? Religion?)

Aspects of identity may **shift over time and in different contexts**.

Identities are also Intersectional: Identities should be considered holistically; there are many factors within identities that apply to an individual in combination.



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