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**Choose ONE of the following articles to read**

**Which article did you read? Summarize 3-4 "main ideas" from the article**

The article "Art and Cultural Identity" by Mahmoud Saad focuses on the importance of culture and art in developing one's identity. Saad (2017) discusses how one's culture and shared experiences shape their identity and how art allows one to express their culture. He explains that cultural identity is not a single trait but rather a varied combination of experiences and expressions that are intertwined and unique. In his article, Saad (2017) also highlights that art can be used to preserve cultural heritage, as it records one's experiences, beliefs, and traditions.

**Which aspects of the article most challenged or expanded your understanding of art, race, and cultural identity? Explain.**

After reading the article, I found the sections on the individual's sentiments of identity, the power of art to represent identity, and the shifting nature of identity fascinating. It challenged my understanding of art and its relationship to cultural identity and encouraged me to think more deeply about how I perceive my identity. I had never considered that art could impact a person's identity and how the concept of identity is constantly in flux. This new insight made me reflect on my identity and reevaluate where I fit into it.

**What more do you want to know (be curious and ask some academic questions)?**

As I read Mahmoud Saad's article on art and cultural identity, I was curious to learn more about the relationship between art and the impact of culture on identity. How do identities intersect with variables like gender, race, and class? How do people develop their own identity or personal aesthetics? How does art help people express themselves?

**Reference**

Saad, R. L. M. (2017). Art and Cultural Identity. *The Academic Research Community Publication*, *1*(1), 10. <https://doi.org/10.21625/archive.v1i1.104>