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Welcome to this session:

# Open Session: Developing Cultural

The session will start shortly...

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# **Democracy**

Every person's opinions matter.

### Respect

We look after each other.

# **Tolerance**

We accept each other's differences.





# **Rule of Law**

We keep to the rules.

# Liberty

We are free to make choices.







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Learn cultural competence, recognize the importance of cultural awareness and sensitivity, apply effective cross-cultural communication, identify and avoid cultural pitfalls in leadership, and promote cultural competence within teams.



#### What is Cultural Competence?

Cultural competence means having the ability to interact effectively with people from different cultures. It's not just a skill, it's an ongoing learning process.



#### Why does it matter?

In our increasingly globalized world, being culturally competent is essential for both personal and professional success. It helps us connect better, avoid misunderstandings, and create inclusive environments.







#### **Cultural Awareness**

Being aware of cultural differences means understanding that people have different values, behaviors, and ways of thinking depending on their backgrounds.



#### **Cultural Sensitivity**

Sensitivity goes beyond awareness. It's about responding appropriately to those differences without judgment. It's learning to adapt.



#### How can we develop these skills?

We can start by asking open-ended questions, listening more than we speak, and showing curiosity rather than assuming.



#### **Personal Activity**



Take a moment to think about a time you've encountered a cultural difference.

How did you respond?

How could you have handled it differently with more awareness or sensitivity?







#### What is Cross-Cultural Communication?

It's the exchange of ideas, information, and feelings between people from different cultural backgrounds.



#### **Verbal vs. Non-Verbal Communication**

Words matter, but so do gestures, body language, tone, and even the pauses between words. In some cultures, silence is a form of communication.



#### **Tips for Effective Cross-Cultural Communication**

Be mindful of tone, make sure your message is clear, and give space for different communication styles. Always check for understanding.



#### **Personal Activity**



How do you usually ensure you are understood in conversations with people from different backgrounds?

Can you think of a time when cultural differences affected your communication?







#### **Leadership Styles and Culture**

Leadership styles vary significantly across cultures. For example, in some cultures, leaders are expected to be authoritative, while in others, a more collaborative approach is preferred.



#### **Cultural Pitfalls**

A common pitfall is assuming that people will respond to you the same way, no matter their cultural background.



#### **Strategies for Inclusive Leadership**

Leaders should be aware of different expectations, be flexible in their approach, and always try to make people feel heard and valued.



#### **Personal Activity**



What are some leadership challenges you've faced when working with culturally diverse teams?

How did you navigate them?







#### **Building an Inclusive Team Culture**

Cultural competence isn't just about the individual—teams need to create an environment where cultural differences are embraced, not avoided.



#### **Training and Education**

Offer regular training on cultural awareness and create opportunities for team members to share their cultural backgrounds. This builds empathy and understanding.



#### **Encouraging Open Conversations**

It's crucial to create a safe space where team members feel comfortable discussing their cultural experiences and challenges.



#### **Personal Activity**



What would an ideal, culturally competent team look like for you?

What actions can you take today to promote this within your own team?





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#### **CONCLUSION**

## **Key Points**

- We've discussed how cultural awareness and sensitivity, cross-cultural communication, leadership, and team dynamics all play a role in cultural competence.
- What's one action you're excited to take after today's session to improve your cultural competence?



# Thank you for attending







