

DAILY CONVERSATION

COUNTRIES & PLACES



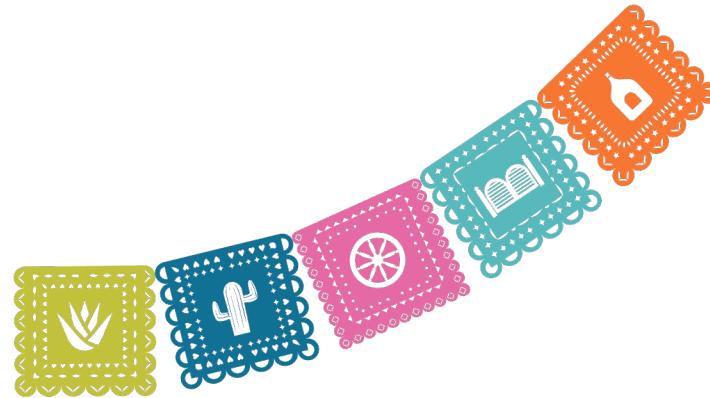
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Cultures & Customs



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(adj) customary

(adv) customarily

CULTURE

(noun)

the way of life, especially the
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(adj) cultural

(adv) culturally

- Dictionary for checking accurate word formation:

Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English

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CULTURE

(noun)

the way of life, especially the general customs and beliefs, of a particular group of people at a particular time

Culture or Cultural?

1. (Culture/ Cultural) difference
2. (Culture/ Cultural) shock
3. (Culture/ Cultural) diversity

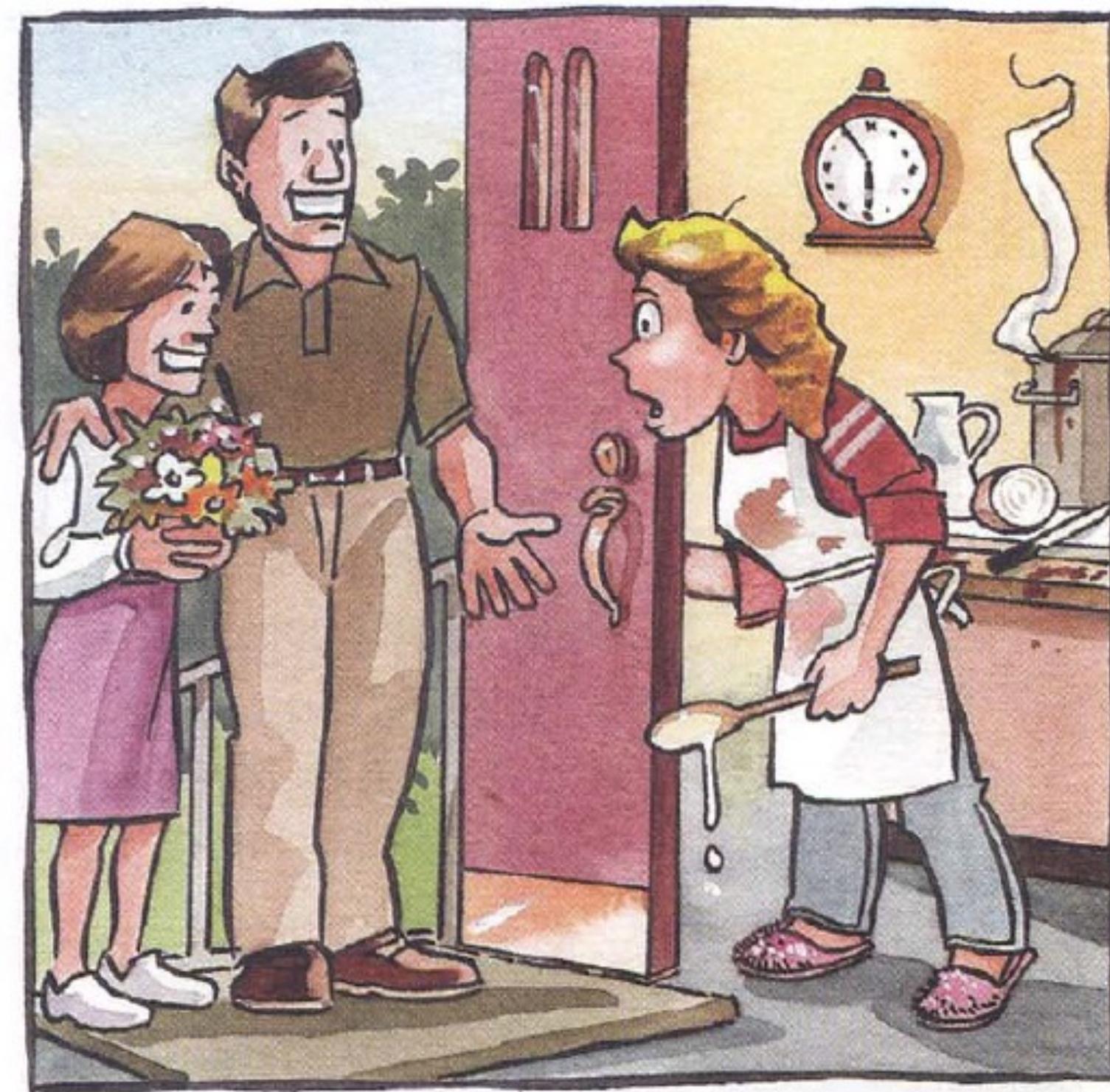
CULTURE

1. Cultural difference – sự khác biệt trong văn hóa
2. Culture shock – sốc văn hóa
3. Cultural diversity – sự đa dạng văn hóa

Is it important to be aware of the cultural difference in communication at workplace?



A



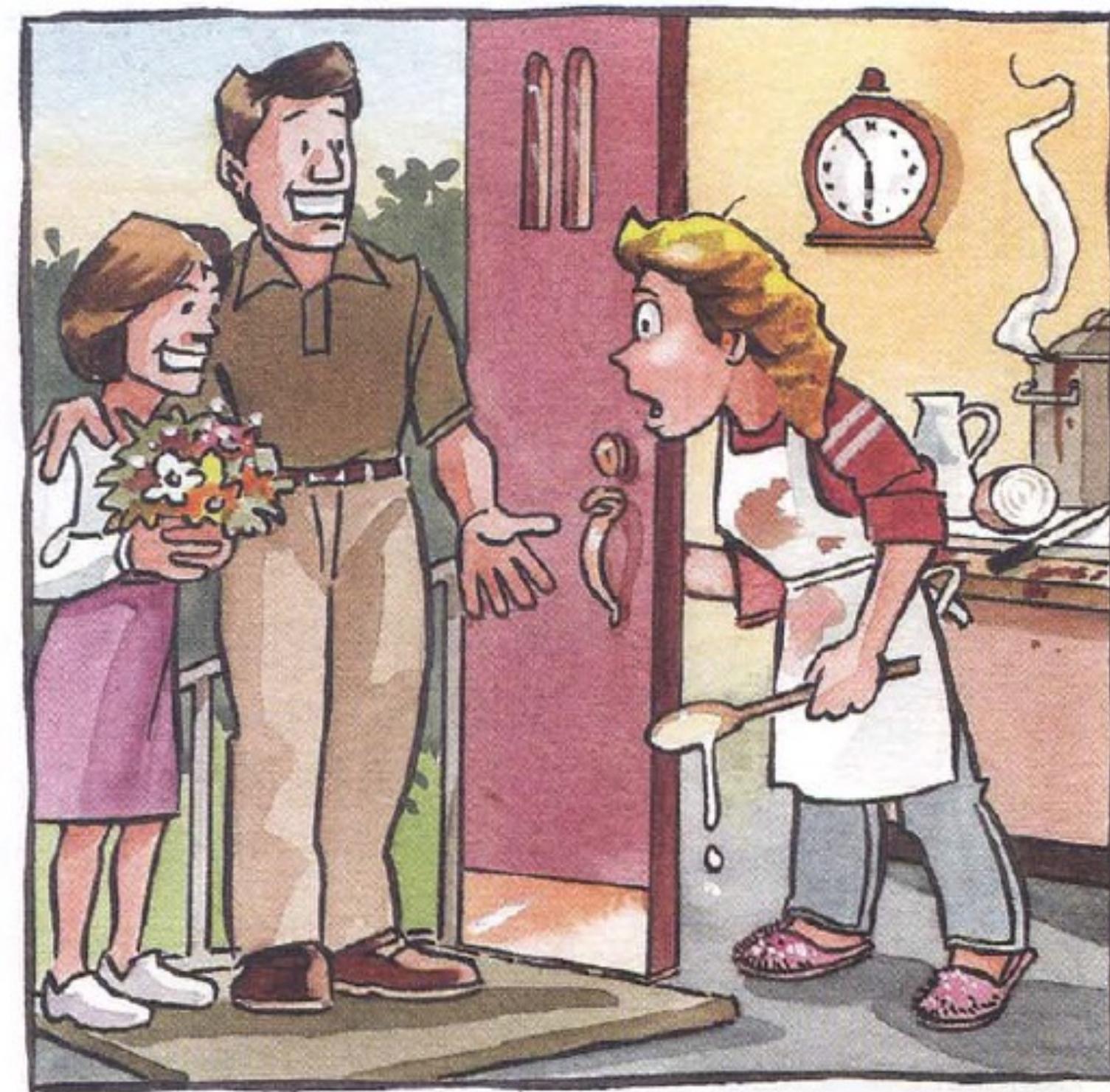
B

What do you think the people in both pictures are "doing wrong"?



A

keeping his shoes on while
entering her house



B

visiting without prior notice

What to keep in mind in Vietnamese culture?

E.g: Don't **keep your shoes on** while entering someone's house.

- Pass items with both hands.
- Respect social hierarchies.
- Always add politeness markers (e.g. 'đã') while making conversation with the elders.
- Don't show bare shoulders or shorts to temples or pagodas.
- If you are invited into someone's home, you might like to bring a gift.
- Don't stick your chopsticks into your food or rice.

keep on
stick
bring
making
respect
pass
show

Giving advice

Imagine a friend from abroad is visiting Vietnam. What information about customs would be helpful? Give advice for these situations.

going to restaurants

going out with friends

greeting people

shopping

taking photos

taking subways or buses

taking taxis

visiting people's homes

Making a suggestion

- I would (I'd) **suggest/ recommend** (not) doing something
- **How about/ What about** doing something?
- **Why don't you** do something?



Giving advice

- You **should / ought to** do something
- **You had (You'd) better** do something
- **If I were you, I would** do something

should: 'what I think is best for you to do' -> **an opinion**

ought to: 'what is necessary, and cannot be avoided' -> **a truth**

E.g. If you go to restaurants, you should leave a 15 percent tip. And you should...

Travel



Adjectives to describe places

Ancient

Lively

Cosmopolitan

Bustling

Contemporary

1. A crowded, busy place; hectic
2. A place that is modern, very up-to-date
3. A place that has a long history
4. A place that has a mix of cultures and languages
5. A place that is full of life and has lots of enjoyable activities

How would you describe your hometown?

<u>Ancient</u>	A place that has a long history; historic
<u>Beautiful</u>	Very pleasing on the eye; attractive, lovely
<u>Boring</u>	Dull and not very interesting, uninteresting
<u>Bustling</u>	A crowded, busy place ; hectic
<u>Charming</u>	Nice and very pleasing place, delightful, quaint
<u>Contemporary</u>	Modern, very up-to-date
<u>Compact</u>	Not very big
<u>Cosmopolitan</u>	With a rich and varied mix of cultures and languages
<u>Crowded</u>	Very full of people, busy, bustling
<u>Exciting</u>	Lively and thrilling with lots of enjoyable things

VOCABULARY to describe PLACES



TOURISTY

places that are too busy and usually with inflated prices



COSMOPOLITAN

places that are occupied and visited by people from all nationalities

QUAINT

places that are interestingly old fashioned or odd

MEDIEVAL

with the charm of an ancient city with the spirit of the middle ages

CONTEMPORARY

modern cities with high skyscrapers and glass buildings

LIVELY

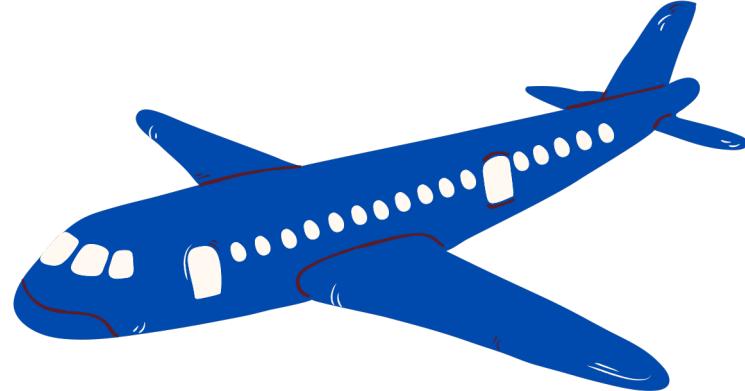
places that are full of life, lots of activities both during the day and at night

BUSTLING

places that are full of people, trade and business which is active all day



Travel Destinations



Work with your partners and design a trip for your class. You should include these criteria:

- Must-visit attractions
- Highlighted activities
- Accommodations
- Transportation



Indonesia Adventure Cruise

Highlights:

- Visit temples, local villages, and artisans
- Explore rain forests and volcanoes
- Shop at traditional crafts markets
- Swim, snorkel, and dive
- See the famous Komodo dragons

Length: 14 days
Accommodations: all on boat
Meals: all included on boat
Group size: 12–16

A photograph showing several traditional Indonesian temples (Pura) with tiered roofs reflected in a body of water under a clear blue sky.

Hike the Best of the

Swiss Alps

Highlights:

- Walk from hut to hut
- Hike Europe's most beautiful peaks
- Learn how to make cheese
- Visit a local Swiss festival
- See the sunrise from a mountaintop

Length: 10 days
Accommodations: mountain huts
Meals: not included
Group size: 8–10

A photograph of a hiker in a blue jacket and backpack walking up a grassy hillside with a wooden mountain hut and snow-capped mountains in the background.