

## **Intercultural Communication – Theoretical Aspects and Training For Gifted**

- I. Theoretical Aspects – 4 hours
  1. Intercultural Communication. Basic concepts, main terms, general conclusions – 2 hours
  2. Cold-climate vs hot-climate cultures. A Guide to Understanding – 2 hours
- II. Intercultural Training For Gifted . *Foreign To Familiar*. Practical Steps – 4 hours
  1. Share your own cultural experience. “Strange Habits” and “Cultural Shock”.
  2. Learn, respect and enjoy the differences. “Culture interpreter” Games.
  3. Icons, indexes, symbols and concepts for identification of giftedness.
  4. Patterns of Thought and Patterns of Behaviour.
  5. Test your tolerance. Quiz and Letter.

### Aims:

- To define the basic concepts and terms in intercultural communication
- To describe and interpret the cultural specifics of different kinds of thought and behavior
- To demonstrate specific symbols and culture meanings in different lifestyles
- To define the kinds of signs as cultural and communicative indicators in the different age groups in the education system levels.

### Expected results:

- To share experience of one’s own culture
- To encourage the knowledge of cultural differences and ways to avoid misunderstandings and conflicts in multicultural environment
- To analyze the specific patterns of thoughts, behavior, different concepts of time and space, stereotypes and values of different ethnic groups
- To increase cross-cultural awareness and intercultural competence by answering a sequence of questions about various aspects of other cultures

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