

Unit 1

Cultural Issues and Values

**Vocabulary:** Expressions of definition

...is...

...refers to...

... is referred to as...

...is defined as...

...has been defined as...

...is the way of...

Cultural anthropology { is  
refers to  
is referred to as being  
has been defined as } the study of human culture.

An anthropologist **is** an expert in anthropology.

Culture **is the way of** life of a particular group of people.

A stereotype **is defined as** being a belief about an individual or a group based on the idea that everyone in a particular group will behave in the same way.

Hospitality and tolerance are values that are **deeply rooted** in the Moroccan culture.

If you happen to go to live in a foreign country with a different culture, you have to **adjust** to it, otherwise you will feel as a fish out of water.

Different cultures have different values. Values **vary** from culture to culture.

People from rural areas **stick** to customs and traditions more than urban people.

Cultural issues arise when groups of people believe another group behaves **wrongly**.

Culture is learned and **transmitted** from generation to generation.

**Deeper insights** into other people's customs, values and ideas minimize conflict **due to** ignorance and intolerance.

**Asking for clarification:**

.What does 'the verb'... mean ?

.What is another word for...?

**A:** What is another word for 'aware'?

**B:** Conscious.

**Vocabulary:** (p 12)

uneasy: uncomfortable

unlike: as opposed to

to obey: to respect, to abide by

dissimilarities: differences

natural: healthy

wrongly ≠ rightly

**Conditional: types 1 and 2**

If you pay attention in the class room, you'll understand better.

I'll continue my studies abroad if I get high grades in my bac exams.

Mariam won't marry Nabil if he isn't an honest person.

If I were you, I'd give up smoking.

We wouldn't have so many car accidents if both drivers and pedestrians were careful enough.

If Souad had money, she could buy a new laptop.

**Asking for, giving and responding to advice: (p 15)**

Asking for advice	Giving Advice	Responding to advice
What do you think I should do?	I think you should...	That's a good idea. Thanks.
What do you suggest?	Maybe you should...	Thanks for your advice, but I really...
What would you do if...?	It's best not to...	Thank you for your advice, but I really...
What's your advice for...?	It's a good idea not to...	Sorry, I can't. I'm...ing...
What would you advise me to do?	Why don't you...?	It sounds like a good idea.
How can I...?	If I were you, I would...	Thanks, but I've already...
What's the best...?	You'd better (not)...	Thanks, but I doubt whether...
I don't know what to do.	Whatever you do, don't...	
What should I do?	You should(n't)/ought(n't)to...	

**Patient:** I'm afraid I'm putting on weight, doctor. What do you think I should do?

**Doctor:** It's a good idea not to eat between meals and you'd better exercise at least three times a week. Maybe you should eat more vegetables and less fatty food.

**Patient:** It sounds like a good idea! Thanks for your advice, doctor.

**Vocabulary: (18)**

ADJECTIVE	MEANING
ambitious	hardworking, aspiring
broad-minded	open-minded
capable	competent, effective
cheerful	light-hearted, joyful
forgiving	willing to forgive others
helpful	working for the welfare of others
honest	sincere, truthful
imaginative	daring, creative
independent	self-reliant
logical	consistent, rational
polite	courteous, well-mannered
self-controlled	self-disciplined
courageous	standing up for your beliefs

**Expressing lack of understanding, interrupting and asking for clarification:**

Expressing lack of understanding	Interrupting	Asking for clarification
Could you say that again / repeat please?	Excuse me...	What do you mean by...?
I beg your pardon?	Sorry, but...	Do you mean...?
I'm not quite sure I follow you.	Excuse me for interrupting...	I'm not quite with you. What do you mean?
I'm not quite sure I know what you mean.	May I interrupt for a moment?	Could you clarify that, please?
I beg your pardon, but I don't quite understand.	Can I add something?	Could you be more explicit?
I don't quite see what you mean, I'm afraid.	Can I say something here?	Could you explain what you mean by...?
Sorry, I didn't quite hear what you said.	I'd like to say something, if I may?	Could you possibly give us an example?
I'm not quite sure I got your point.	Can I ask a question?	I wonder if you could say that in a different way?
Sorry, I didn't get your point, I'm afraid.	May I ask a question?	Could you be a little bit more specific, please.

I don't quite see what you're getting at.

- Let me explain that.
- Let me put it another way.
- Let me express that differently.

- Sorry, let me explain.
- In other words,...
- In other terms...

- To say that differently, ...
- To put it differently, ...
- Let me explain that in more detail.

**Expressions for clarifying one's point / idea:**

**Headmaster:** Mobile phones are not allowed at school.

**Student:** Sorry, sir. I'm not quite sure I know what you mean.

**Headmaster:** In other words, you mustn't use your mobile at school because they are forbidden.

**Student:** I'm sorry, sir.

**The Past Perfect vs. The Past Perfect Continuous:** (p24)

**Form:** P. Participle: had + past participle of the verb

P. Participle Continuous: had + past participle + v...ing

After the cultural anthropologist had finished the lecture, he flew to Tangier.

By the time I went to see the doctor, I had been ill for at least two weeks.

Adib had bought a brand new car before he got his driving license.

Once Ilham had read the advert about the job, she went to the Office of Admission.

Jane had done her homework before she went out.

When he arrived to the airport, there was no plane. It had already taken off.

She didn't go to bed until she had set her alarm clock.

"Why didn't you tell her that you had divorced your first wife?"

The fire had already spread to the neighboring houses when the fire brigade arrived.

Mounia and Jamal had been e-mailing each other before they got married.

Jim had been studying computer science for three years before he graduated.

Neighborhood

**Phrasal Verbs:** (p 24)

I've tried explaining how it works, but I just can't get through to him. (communicate with)

I'm taking the Baccalaureate this year, I will certainly get through. (pass)

I still don't know how to use Excel. Could you possibly go through the instructions again? (repeat)

One of my classmates has been very ill, but her doctor says she will pull through. (recover/survive)

I've looked through the editorial twice and can't see the issue the editorialist is arguing for. (read carefully)