

the set of characteristics,
behaviors, and experiences we use
to categorize and define ourselves
and those around us

Identity

persons initiating or comprising a
line of descent

Ancestry

the full range of learned and negotiated behavior of a group of people, including their languages, belief systems, social structures, laws, art, and institutions

Culture

an ethnic, regional, economic, or
social group exhibiting
characteristic patterns of behavior
sufficient to distinguish it from
others within an embracing society

Subculture

socially constructed categories for
defining the characteristics and
behaviors of groups or individuals

Cultural Identities

the origin, including the persons historically influencing, of attitudes, beliefs and behaviors displayed by an individual

Cultural Ancestry

something transmitted by or
received from a predecessor or
from the past

Legacy

to have in turn or receive from a
predecessor

Inherited

to make or form in collaboration
with another

Co-

Constructed

made or formed according to one's
own interests, capabilities, or
possibilities

Self-
Developed