Different Ways of Relating to the World

Like an iceberg, many aspects of how we relate to the world are below the surface.

Above the surface

food · dress music · visual arts drama · crafts · dance literature · language celebrations · games

courtesy · contextueal conversational patterns concept of time · personal space · rules of conduct facial expressions · nonverbal communication · body language touching · eye contact · patterns of handling emotions notions of modesty · concept of beauty · courtship practices relationships to animals · notions of leadership · tempo of work concepts of food · ideals of childrearing · theory of disease social interaction rate · nature of friendships · tone of voice attitudes toward elders · concept of cleanliness notions of adolescence · patterns of group decision making

> definition of insanity preference for competition or cooperation tolerance of physical pain · concept of self concept of past and future definition of obsenity attitudes toward dependents problem solving roles in relation to age, sex, class, occupation, kinship, and so forth

Below the surface