


# Welcome!

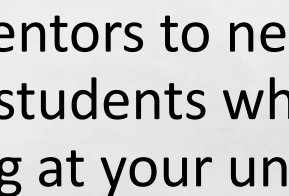
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# YOU ARE...



An American undergraduate student (aged 17-24) at a large university in Texas.



Peer mentors to new Saudi Arabian students who will be studying at your university.

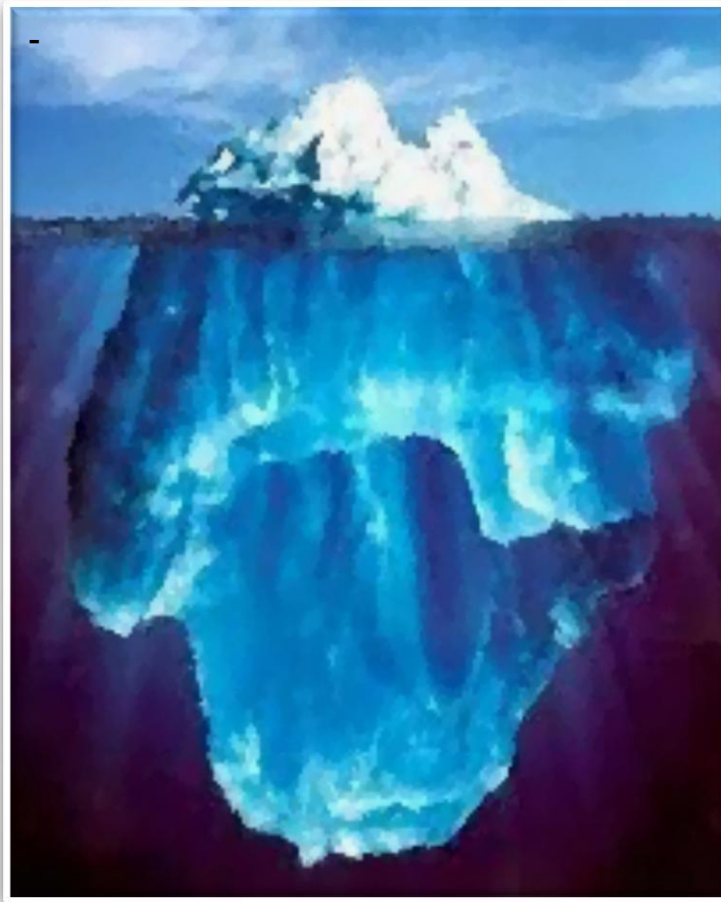
# THE LANGUAGE GAME

- **WHAT WAS IT LIKE TO HEAR A LANGUAGE YOU COULDN'T UNDERSTAND?**
- **WHAT THOUGHTS WENT THROUGH YOUR MIND?**

# ACTIVITY: MINEFIELD

- **HELP YOUR TEAMMATES NAVIGATE THE MINEFIELD**





# Iceberg Model



# The Iceberg

- What aspects of your culture are above the water?
- What aspects of your culture are below the water?

# Crossing Borders video





# Video Debrief

- Who do you relate with in this video?



# LEWIS MODEL

## Linear- Active

Talks half of the time  
Does one thing at the time  
Plans ahead step by step  
Polite but direct  
Confronts with logic  
Job-oriented  
Sticks to facts  
Result-oriented  
Sticks to agenda  
Written word important  
Restrained body language

## Multi-Active

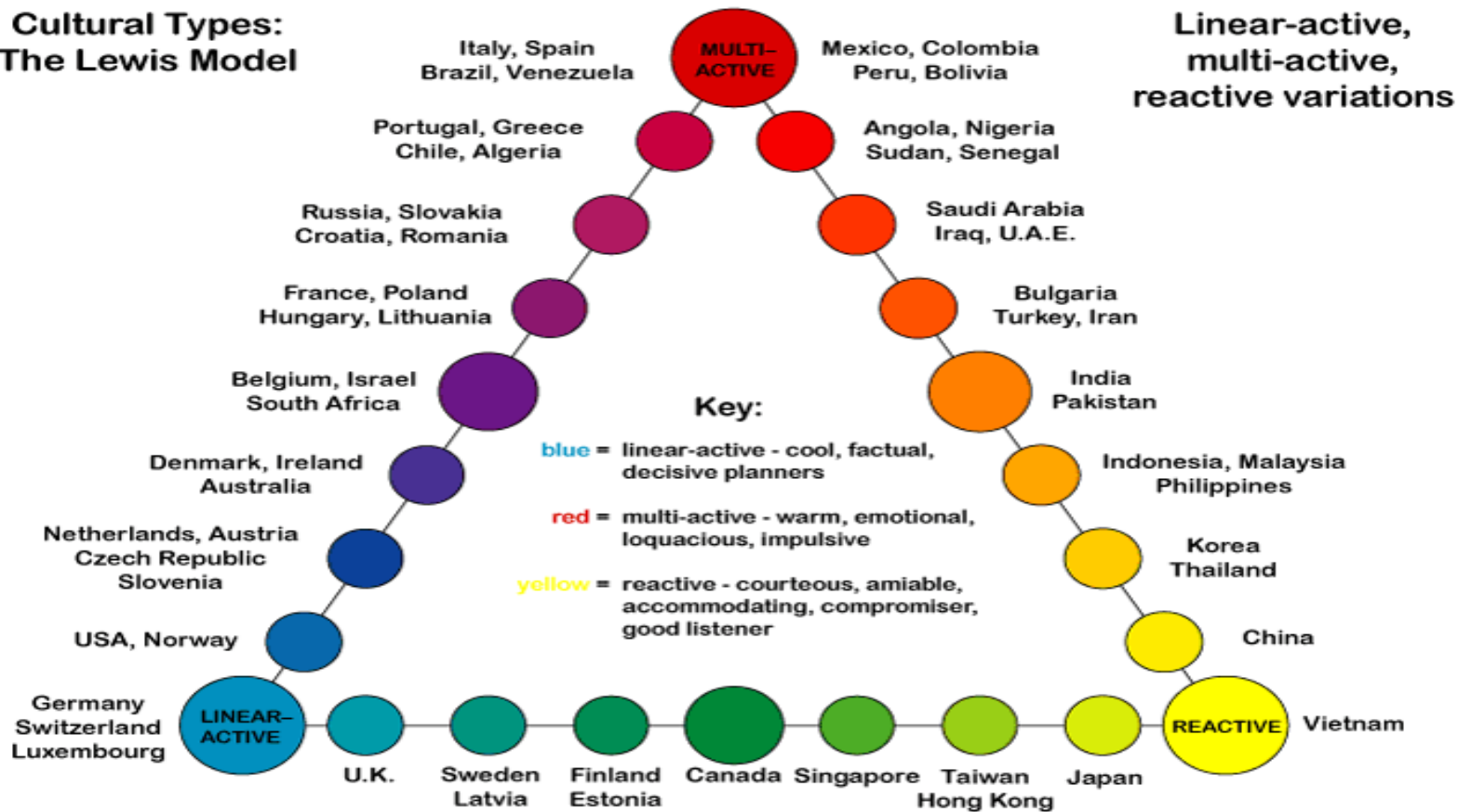
Talks most of the time  
Does several things at once  
Plans grand outline only  
Emotional  
Confronts emotionally  
People-oriented  
Feelings before facts  
Relationship-oriented  
Roams back and forth  
Spoken word important  
Unrestrained body language

## Reactive

Listens most of the time  
Reacts to partner's action  
Looks at general principles  
Polite, indirect  
Never confronts  
Very people-oriented  
Statements are promises  
Harmony-oriented  
Often asks for "repeats"  
Face-to-face contact important  
Subtle body language

# LEWIS MODEL

## Cultural Types: The Lewis Model



# SAUDI ARABIAN CULTURE

- What comes to mind when you think of SAUDI ARABIAN CULTURE?

# POLL EVERYWHERE POLL

- **HOW DO YOU SEE YOURSELF?**
  - **AS AN INDIVIDUAL**
  - **AS A PART OF A COMMUNITY**

# SAUDI ARABIA AND ISLAM

Family ties

House of Islam

Bedouin Tribes



# POLL EVERYWHERE POLL

- **HOW DO YOU GREET PEOPLE IN YOUR HOME COUNTRY?**
  - **SHAKE HANDS**
  - **BOW**
  - **KISS CHEEKS**

# Skit #1 Greetings



# POLL EVERYWHERE POLL

- **IS IT IMPORTANT TO BE ON TIME IN YOUR HOME COUNTRY?**
  - **YES**
  - **NO**
  - **SOMETIMES**

# **Skit #2**

## **The Importance of Being On Time**





# Skit #3 Holding Hands



**TAKE AWAYS...**