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THE SEVEN ELEMENTS OF CULTURE

1. What are your Customs and Traditions?
2. How do you celebrate the holidays? Which are most important?
3. Does your family have any traditional foods and/or eating habits?
4. Do you observe certain religious customs? If so, how?
5. What kind of music does your family listen to?
6. Do you have any special cures or remedies for common sicknesses, like colds or the flu?
7. Is there anything else that your family does that is different or special?

Essential Questions

8. How can we study different civilizations?
9. Where are similarities found throughout the world?
10. How can people organize themselves?
11. What are some examples of traditions and custom?
12. Why do we need to incorporate these in our thinking?
 - a. Ethnocentrism
 - b. Racism
 - c. Cultural Diffusion

Definitions:

- **Cultural Diffusion:** The evolution of a certain element of culture because of travel, time, etc. (hamburger)
- **Ethnocentrism:** The belief that your own culture is the best. That others' should center around your own.
- **Racism:** The belief that one racial group is superior to another.