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# First Semester Exam in Cross- Cultural Communication

### I- Matching:

# Match the letters of Column A with their definitions in column B

# Column A: 0.75 FOR EACH

a-	Input	e- Profiling	i- cultural convergence	m- stereotype
b-	Culture	f- cluster	j- cultural diversity	n- communication
c-	Lingua Franca	g- Fault lines	k- Cultural conflict	o- ethnocentrism
d-	False Friends	h- globalization	l- multiculturalism	p- slang

### **Column B:**

- 1. ...G.... Situation or relationship that can cause tension (Offence or embarrassment) in a local community.
- 2. .....K.... Hostility or struggle between cultural communities who have different philosophies and backgrounds.
- 3. ...E..... Matching a person with a particular social, cultural or religious group as a way of analyzing people for business objectives.
- 4. ...F.... A technique of grouping countries under certain cultural traits to reduce complexity relationships between cultures.
- 5. .....H..... The inter-link of national and regional cultures under the impact of some international pressures.
- 6. .....A....... The signals and data sent by a sender to be decoded by the receiver to produce a response.
- 7. ......B..... A word or expression that has a similar form to one in a person's native language, but a different meaning.
- 8. .....P....... A type of language that is regarded sometimes as informal. It is more common in speech than writing.
- 9. .....B...... A way of thinking and living where by certain norms, beliefs, and values are respected by a particular cultural community.
- 10. .....N........ The exchange of data and the act of sending and receiving information between two different groups using a medium.

### **II.** Compare and Contrast

Compare and contrast the following Cross Cultural Communication expressions

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1. High (vs.) Low Context culture

High: Indirect, implicit, non-verbal, understood from the context

Low: direct, verbal, words

2. Cultural Convergence (vs.) Cultural Divergence

Convergence: yes to blending cultures to create new fusions

Divergence: no to mixing up cultures, resisiting assmilation

3. American (vs.) British Negotiating Style

American: impolite, mean, English language, individualistic, humor

British: direct, punctual, use of emails, professional, less humor

4. Active (vs.) Passive Listening skills

Active: no interruptions, good listener, good eye contact, interested

Passive: full of interruptions, no eye contact, gets distracted by external factors, not interested

5. Cultural Profiling (vs.) Animated Profiling

Cultural p: create a profile for SO using his/ her cultural features.

Animated P: use of pictures, designs and soft wares to create profiles for people

### III. Listing:

<u>List, explain and exemplify FIVE best practices for successful Cross- Cultural Communication Practices</u>

### 1 FOR EACH

- 1. Active listening
- 2. Less humor
- 3. Avoid stereotypes

+examples+details

- 4. Avoid ethnocentrism
- 5. Avoid slang
- 6. Simple communication
- 7. High/low context culture