

SOCIAL CATEGORIES and IDENTITY GROUPS

1. Parenting Experience
 - a. Never parented, teen parent, biological parent, co-parent, unable to conceive; step-parent, foster parent, adoptive parent, grandparent/parenting grandchild(ren), relative raising child(ren) of family member, godparent...
2. Education
 - a. High school, GED, some college, trade school, masters degree, doctoral degree ...
 - b. MBA, PhD, PsyD, JD, DO, CPA, ...
 - c. Private school, public school, home schooled ...
 - d. Ivy league, state school, liberal arts college, 2-yr college, 4-yr college, study abroad...
3. Family of Origin Structure
 - a. Two heterosexual parents, one parent, two female or male parents, raised in foster care, raised by extended relatives, raised with biological parents and extended family in the same home...
 - b. multiple siblings, only child, foster siblings...
4. Physical Attributes
 - a. Temporarily able-bodied; temporarily disabled, permanently disabled; Athletic; uncoordinated ...
 - b. Body size, weight and height...
 - c. Skin color/tone, nose shape, eye color/shape, hair texture/color...
5. Ethnicity
 - a. Hispanic/Latino, African-American, Black, American Indian/Native American, Asian-American, Jewish, Hmong, European-American, white, Alaska Native, Bedouin, Senegalese, Middle Eastern, Arabs,...
6. Gender Identity
 - a. Female, male, trans, transgender, FTM, MTF, transsexual, intersex...
7. Language(s)
 - a. Monolingual, bilingual, multilingual...
 - b. English, Spanish, French, Quechua, Japanese, Arabic, Sign Language...
8. Occupation/Work Status
 - a. Service industry, minister, physician, massage therapist, librarian, school counselor, computer tech professor, teacher, social worker, sanitation worker, flight attendant, chiropractor, factory worker, stay at-home parent...
 - b. Owner, boss, CEO, supervisor, manager, consultant, line staff, worker, laborer, professional staff...
 - c. Full-time, part-time, contract, unemployed, underemployed...
9. Relationship status
 - a. Single, committed relationship, registered domestic partner, married, separated, divorced, widowed etc...
 - b. Polyamorous, celibate, serial monogamist...
10. Religion/Spirituality
 - a. Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Atheist, Protestant, Mormon, Quaker, Christian Scientist, Catholic, Buddhist, Wicca, Agnostic...
 - b. Practicing, recovering, devout, orthodox...
11. National Origin/Citizenship
 - a. Peruvian, Irish, Fijian, USA (UnitedStatesian/American), Mexican, Polish, Czechoslovakian, South African...
 - b. "legal alien," dual citizen, citizen, undocumented immigrant...
12. Age
 - a. Infant, Toddler, Child, Teenager, early adulthood 21-25, Adult 26-54, middle aged = 40s, senior>55, elderly >70
13. Geographic Region
 - a. Southerner, Midwesterner, Northeasterner, West-coaster...
 - b. Urban, inner-city, suburban, rural, small town...
14. Sexual Orientation
 - a. homosexual, heterosexual, bisexual, queer, MSM, pansexual...
15. Mental/Cognitive Abilities
 - a. Mental Health/Psychiatric diagnosis...
 - b. Developmental/Learning disability...
 - c. AOD Addiction/Abuse...
16. Other (could be military experience or defining life experience or ...)