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Diversity

People who like to travel around the world or even immigrants who decided to start a new life in another country have noticed that there are culture differences or traditions that they have not heard nowhere but in that community. And depending on how they respond to these behaviors the locals could point you as a spoiled person or just a clueless guy who is getting used to their social communities’ behaviors. However, as time goes on, foreigners realize that why they are acting the way they are. For example, New York City is the home of many immigrants from all over world bringing new manners and traditions. There are some neighborhoods that changed so much since immigrants came over. New restaurants, museums and products has been spreading all over the city. Anyone at some point would encounter or interact with these neighborhoods and it is important to know how to behave and respond to these new experiences.

There are few tips anyone could do to adapt and accept diversity. Because for some people it is very hard to adapt to this new society. They even feel that they do not belong to their neighborhood anymore. There are many reasons for that. One of these reasons would be the language. Many immigrants come to NYC that do not know how speak English. Even though, the US government offer programs to help them, it still takes time. Another reason would be holidays. Most of the immigrants celebrates holidays from their countries in NYC. The most common one is their Independence Day. As a result, New York City has become so diverse in the last decades. First step to do is to not treat these actions as a bad intention or a rude intention. Before assuming someone is being rude or disrespectful. You should think about why they would do that. The best thing to do is asking to that person. However, if the situation really seems bad for example, if someone make a statement that you completely disagree with, you need to decide how to address the situation before you do anything else. Most of the time they explain their reasoning. You have to remember that they came from different cultures and their reasons or actions worked on their countries or communities, so that is why they behave like that. And last advice would be: not adapt too much. It is true that you should respect their traditions but they should respect yours too. We should think what will be the best behavior for any situation.

In my case, I always questioned myself about others’ behavior, most of the time with old people. I know that they might not be open minded as me. So, what I used to do is to asked them why they act the way they act. And sometimes, it makes so much sense once they fully explained. When I came to United States, I’ve encountered with many people from different religions and cultures. Every one of them with their own way of doing things. And as time passes by, I’ve learned how to manage these situations. To be honest, I’ve enjoyed every culture. Of course, at beginning it is difficult because as everyone else we have jobs or family to support, therefore, not anyone has time to think about inclusion or diversity. But once those problems are resolved or controlled. It would be advisable to spend some time on educating yourself or just simply start a conversation with anyone. Sharing experiences with others it is the best way to achieve a solid friendship. It is usually ease for me because I’ve come from another country and I know what they have done to adapt to this country. However, for some people it is not very ease because they could care too much about people opinions or reactions. Especially in high school. But once they learned their language or just be brave enough to start a conversation. They will realize that most of people are very easygoing.

In conclusion, diversity is very important to understand ourselves. Also, everyone who are willing to step forward and spend time knowing new people from any part of the world are most likely to learn new skills and be open minded.