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Cultural differences in Nigeria

The cultural differences in Nigeria are complex. Nigeria has three major ethnic groups. Those groups are Yoruba, Igbo, and Hausa-Fulani. There are other small groups in Nigeria. There are over a hundred languages in Nigeria. I am discussing religion, behavior, traditions, and the way of Nigerians.

The first cultural differences in Nigeria are languages. In Nigeria, there are over five hundred languages. Due to the three major ethnic groups. I didn't know that in Nigeria, they speak English creole. I didn't know English creole was a dialect in Nigeria. Those three groups speak native languages and speak English as well. I really don't know what the native language in Nigeria is. However, there are many ways to greet elderly people.

In Nigeria, the men greet their elderly in different ways to respect their elders. The Igbo men will get down on the floor and say "good evening mama" or "good morning sir". Some other men go on their knees and say "good evening sir". Yoruba women will get on their knees and say "good evening mama or sir". That's how they show respect to the elders when greeting them. However, their religion was Muslim and Christian.

In Nigeria, one of the ethnic groups of Hausa-Fulani is 95% Muslim and Christian is 5%. The Yoruba tribe in west Nigeria is 55% Muslim and Christian is 35%. The Igbo tribe is 98% Christians. I didn't know that those two ethnic groups were Muslim and Christian. I thought they did other religions' practices. I'm surprised by it because I never knew what Nigeria truly religion is, until I read about it on the internet. It wasn't the same thing, people in Nigeria practice different religions.

CONCLUSION

There's a saying that " Knowledge is powerful". I didn't know the cultural differences in Nigeria. I thought they were all the same. But I was wrong when I learned something new. I was in shock because I never knew what is it or how is it. I always love to learn something new every day. I enjoy discussing the cultural differences in Nigeria.

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