Social Studies 10-2

Unit 1: Globalization and identity

Opportunities for identity

A language nest and a policy

- At one school, elders and children spend the morning speaking Cree in a language nest.
- The same school's student handbook makes room for a Métis sash, a hijab, and a kirpan under a clear safety and dignity policy.
- Both scenes give a culture more room, and each one works by a different move.

Five ways a culture can gain room

- Acculturation means you learn tools of the wider society, such as shop English, and you keep home practices that still matter.
- Accommodation means a school or workplace changes a rule so a practice, such as a sash, a hijab, or a kirpan, can be present.
- Revitalization rebuilds a practice, such as a language. Affirmation celebrates that identity in public. Integration means you join civic life and keep the culture.

Key terms

acculturation

Acculturation is the learning of practices from a wider society while a person also keeps meaningful practices from home.

accommodation

Accommodation is an institutional change that makes room for a cultural or religious practice so a person can participate.

cultural revitalization

Cultural revitalization is a community effort to bring a language, ceremony, or art back into regular use.

affirmation of identity

Affirmation of identity is a public act that says a people's identity is real, valued, and welcome.

Key terms

integration

Integration is full participation in shared civic life alongside the keeping of one's culture.

Who moves in each opportunity

- A newcomer apprentice learns shop English for the job and still keeps a family feast at home.
- In this move the person learns the new tool, and the home practice stays with the family.
- The handbook changes to include the sash, the hijab, and the kirpan. The school moves. That is accommodation.
- The language nest rebuilds Cree use, and a public performance says the identity belongs here. The community rebuilds the practice and shows it in public.



A Cree language nest

- Elders and preschool children use Cree for snacks, stories, and cleanup three mornings a week.
- Parents post short clips so families can practise the same words at home.
- The school assembly invites the children to share one song, with the elders' permission.

Youth council

- A Francophone Albertan student joins the city youth council, speaks French at a cultural centre on Saturdays, and asks the council to publish agendas in French.
- Label joining the youth council, and label the request that agendas be published in French.
- Say which move is integration, joining civic life, and which move asks the council to change a rule.

Review

- Match shop English plus a home feast to acculturation: the person learns a new tool and keeps a home practice.
- Match a dress code change, a language nest, a public games demo, and a council seat to the other four labels.
- Use acculturation, accommodation, cultural revitalization, affirmation of identity, and integration once each.

Summary

- Name who makes the change: the person, the school or work-place, or the community.
- Revitalization rebuilds use. Affirmation welcomes an identity in public. Integration joins civic life while the culture stays.
- A phone clip can help these paths. The path is still the human move.