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GROUP E

### HOW LANGUAGE SHAPES THE WAY WE THINK

Three major learning points:

- Every language has its own benefits.
- It shapes the way people explain situations
- Multiple languages mean multiple viewpoints



### HOW LANGUAGE SHAPES THE WAY WE THINK

Agreements/disagreements

We agree that it's a good thing to learn multiple languages and it's a bad thing to only see things from an English point of view.
We disagreed that the Dutch language is disappearing in the Dutch schools.

What else

• We compared Dutch, English and Bulgarian language-wise.

# HOW CULTURE DRIVES BEHAVIOURS

Three major learning points

- Different cultures have other values concerning personal space
- Friendships are different in different cultures
- When we're not aware of different cultural behaviour we can easily be frustrated or we can miscommunicate with each other



# HOW CULTURE DRIVES BEHAVIOURS

Agreements/disagreements

- We cannot be aware of all the cultural differences
- We agree that we value personal space differently in different situations, disregarding culture.

What else

• We discussed the weirdness of being spoken to in public by old people. Bobbi found it very weird, Koen and Aranca were used to it.

# **CROSS CULTURAL COMMUNICATION**

Three major learning points

- Acceptance and familiarity are important when being with other cultures
- Simplification of languages is carried out in different countries.
- The word "rules" have different meanings in different countries.



#### **CROSS CULTURAL COMMUNICATION**

Agreements/disagreements

- Following rules also depends on whether the majority of people are following them and police officers check this.
- We agree that Dutch people are complainers.

What else

• We learned that gestures can be opposite in different countries and can be carried with a learned language.