



Cultural Appreciation vs Cultural Appropriation

Appreciation is when someone seeks to understand and learn about another culture in an effort to broaden their perspective and connect with others cross-culturally.

Appropriation is simply taking one aspect of a culture that is not your own and using it for your own personal interest.

Why it Matters

Markers of appropriation include presenting elements of a culture in ways that:

- give a skewed or inaccurate perspective of that culture
- reinforce stereotypes
- conflict with the intended use of those elements
- take credit or compensation from the original creators

