

INTRODUCTION – OUR WORLDVIEWS

Worldview – is a collection of values (a moral standard of behaviour) and beliefs (something accepted as true) about life that is common to a group. . . in other words, the basis for the way you act, way you react and way you feel about the world.

Society - a group of people linked by common activities or interests and sharing a location; a group of humans defined by mutual interests, shared institutions and a common culture

Western world – societies that are based on the worldview that developed in western Europe

Example: A worldview of people in the western world

- All people are treated equals
- Individuality is important
- Basic education should be available to all
- Democracy
- Gaining wealth is important in order to have comfortable life
- Humans are superior to all other life forms

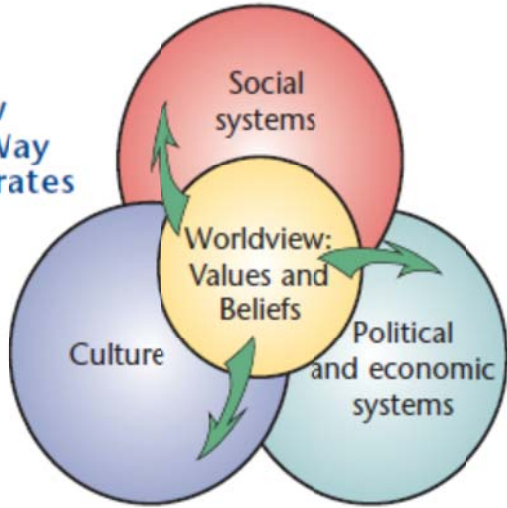
As Canadians we have common values and beliefs in our approaches, ie. medical care, education, religion, arts, etc. that is different from worldviews from other countries.

Due to Canada's size, our worldview may change slightly if you live on the East Coast, West Coast, Ontario or prairie provinces. It may be slightly different again if you are aboriginal (oral traditions, ties to the land) vs francophone (religion, language and education rights) vs Anglophone.

Canada is multicultural and immigrants bring their worldview with them to Canada, as they become part of Canadian society, they begin to understand and adopt our values and beliefs.



**Worldview
Affects the Way
a Society Operates**



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**Worldviews
Are Shaped
by These Factors**

