

Hmong Worldview

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- Holistic notion of the world
- Speculative
- Human and ecological co-existence
- Harmony
- Vertical relationship
- Extended family
- Interdependent
- "Correct" social relationships
- Respect for old age and authority
- Group-oriented
- Adult-oriented
- Past-oriented
- Status-quo oriented
- Time is elastic
- Take a day at a time or as it comes
- Weigh and internalize needs, problems and frustration
- Shame conscious

American Worldview

- Things can be broken down and analyzed
- Analytical, scientific
- Survival of the fittest, man controls nature
- Competition
- Horizontal relationship
- Nucleus family
- Independent and autonomous
- Relativity in values; situational ethics
- Rejection of authority
- Individual-oriented
- Youth-oriented
- Future-oriented
- Change-oriented
- Time is precise, prompt
- Plan for tomorrow
- Express needs and problems verbally and publicly
- Guilt conscious