

## Circles of My Multicultural Self

Place your name in the center circle of the structure below. Write an important aspect of your identity in each of the satellite circles -- an identifier or descriptor that you feel is important in defining you. This can include anything: Samoan, female, sister, sports junkie, student, Catholic, scientist, geocacher, computer games junkie or any descriptor with which you identify.

1. Share a story about a time you were especially proud to identify yourself with one of the descriptors you used in the diagram.
2. Share a story about a time it was especially painful to be identified with one of your identifiers or descriptors.
3. Name a stereotype associated with one of the groups with which you identify that is not consistent with who you are. Fill in the following sentence:

I am (a/an) \_\_\_\_\_ but I am NOT (a/an) \_\_\_\_\_.

(So if one of my identifiers was "Catholic," and I thought a stereotype was that all Catholics are inward looking, my sentence would be:

I am a Catholic, but I am NOT inwards looking. I want to do what is right for the whole community.

