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**SOC 10: Principles of Sociology
Take-home Activity
Cultural Artifacts Scavenger Hunt**

Instructions:

Pick a specific area on or off campus and search for the following cultural artifacts. Record your findings. Be ready to discuss the significance of your findings next class and submit this paper.

Fieldsite area selected: _____

1. Material culture – identify some **physical objects** that tell us something about the local culture.
2. Non-material culture – identify some **ideas** (i.e. posters, signs, photos) about the local culture and the **messages** they send.
3. High culture – record any evidence of **elite** members (be specific)
4. Popular culture – record any evidence of widespread **common** culture (be specific)
5. Technology – identify specific types of **devices, machines, and systems** and how they are relied upon

6. Social control – identify anything designed to **regulate people's behaviors**.

7. Multiculturalism – collect any evidence of **social diversity** in this area (i.e. race, gender, age, sexuality, ethnicity/language, subcultures, countercultures)

8. Norms and beliefs – collect any evidence that signifies **core values, standards, and behaviors** (i.e. talk, dress, demeanor, principles, functions of rooms)

9. List any **additional cultural artifacts** and evidence you have not categorized elsewhere:

10. Based on all the evidence you have collected, how would you describe the local culture of this area?