

## **What a multicultural society means**

'Who am I ? Who is the other one? Can we really understand the other? These are just a few questions we ask when the world we live in has become a world of cultural diversity. When we cannot talk about identity homogeneity, when we must focus our efforts on knowing the cultural influences on the behaviors of people's attitudes and values. In the context of today's globalization, it is easy to adopt new habits of life, but the protection of one's own culture remains paramount.

There is talk of multicultural societies and intercultural societies.

In a multicultural society, there is legislative recognition of certain ethnocultural communities or several languages are used in public space and in different institutions, including schools, but it is about the simple coexistence of different ethnic groups, without putting too much emphasis on cultural contacts.

The contemporary world has a new look due to diversity, development and change. This diversity is due to history.

Currently, some people travel as tourists, but most as migrants.

If we look at the past, it is constant that it has never been used to find ways to accept different things and to be at peace and harmony with them. We are dealing with multicultural societies in which different cultures, national or ethnic groups live together, without constructive and real contact with each other. In such societies, diversity is seen as a threat to them, usually as a source of prejudice, with minorities being passively tolerated.