Journal Entry
Ethnocentrism and Bias
Journal Submission #1

Learning Objectives
Students will:
• Demonstrate an understanding for basic concepts and terms in cultural anthropology
• Define bias and ethnocentrism
• Demonstrate an understanding of ethnocentrism through a personal example
• Discuss examples of bias and ethnocentrism through describing stereotypes and/or attitudes towards subcultures, countries, or other continents

Assignment
• How would you define the words "bias" and "ethnocentrism"? Provide a non-personal example to illustrate your definitions.
  o [Note: This part of the blog entry will be started in the classroom with a discussion on bias and ethnocentrism. I recommend writing down your thoughts during discussion and then transcribing them into an organized blog entry for the journal submission.]
• Share an experience of ethnocentrism, either how your own bias became apparent or how someone else showed his/her bias in how you were treated or perceived.
  o For example, have you traveled somewhere where you had preconceived notions of the area you were going to or you were treated differently because you were an “outsider”?  
  o This does not necessarily have to be outside of the country, but think of different “subcultures” you may have been exposed to or interacted with while traveling throughout the United States.
• How did the experience make you feel at the time, and what do you think are the wider implications of your experience for cultural relations?

Formatting and Submission Guidelines
• Name, class identification (Anthro 100 AA or BA), and title of entry are required at the top of the page.
• This blog entry is required to be between 100-300 words. The word range does not include your name, title of blog entry, references (if used), or quotes used to described an example (if used).
  o What is a blog entry? Think of a blog entry as being similar to participating in a discussion board on Canvas. Your entry must be well organized, focused, and free of grammatical errors. However, the tone of your entry may be more relaxed than a response paper or observational report.
• Your response to the above prompts must be clear and concise.
• Although the blog entry may be submitted as a handwritten document, it must be legible.