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Dear Editor,

I am writing with regard on the current situation in my local community. I am strongly concerned about the youngsters' education of foreign languages. Nowadays young generation is not well rounded and self-aware of cross-cultural communication. They know little about other cultures, mentalities and national images. From one hand, the lack of this knowledge makes them shy, bashful, unconfident and afraid of other cultures and mentalities. Some of them do not have the possibility to travel. Thus, they should expand their horizon with the help of trainings and seminars on cross-cultural communication. From the other hand, many foreigners who live in our local community feel the same way. They experience discomfort, incertitude, the lack of information and support.

I would like the initiative of special lessons between the local community and native inhabitants come true. There are various alternatives to make this problem solved. To start with, the inhabitants and foreigners can teach one another their native tongues. For instance, the knowledge of French or Spanish is only an additional bonus while travelling and working. These languages are very popular since they are included in five languages with the biggest quantity of speakers. The films viewing or reading books in original can also be the option. Moreover, both sides may be involved in discussions during the free evenings. The foreigners, who inhabit the local area can also benefit from these conversations. There will be something

they would like to know about the region obviously. They will have the opportunity to ask curious questions and reasons for some phenomena in particular language. The body language is always in need to discuss. The latter is very confusing issue. The potential participants of this initiative may work out together. One good suggestion would be the festivals and holidays of different nations. Another good idea would be psychological training organized together. These activities should be devoted to various cultural, social and national phenomena. For example, national food or costumes can be the perfect theme for this event. By doing this, the inhabitants of local community would become more confident.

These forms of cross-cultural communication will be successful in the school and at the university. The students and teachers can initiate these courses and become active participants. The pupils are interested in other countries and nations. Consequently, this topic will be popular among them. The students are even keener on cross-cultural communication because the latter are more conscious about their future profession. They understand that these skills are inevitable and valuable in future career and personal life.

To sum up, these suggestions will develop the social and cross-cultural competence of young generation. They will develop their problem solving and critical thinking skills. The youngsters will develop their imagination and creativity. By following the above-mentioned tips, the youth will become more confident, well rounded and persuasive. These ideas will broaden their outlook. The young generation will be real leaders in the society,

workplace and within close friends and relatives. These trainings will acquaint them with other world frames, cultures, mentalities and national portraits. Young leaders will be the citizens of the world, not afraid of travelling and dealing with people of different nationality and race. What is more, the foreigners will learn the native culture and language easier by sharing the views with the local inhabitants. Consequently, this suggestion creates more comfortable conditions to adapt in a new region and country. Finally, I strongly believe that by implementing these changes, the lack of cross-cultural competence will disappear and our young members of the society will become valuable assets in our country.