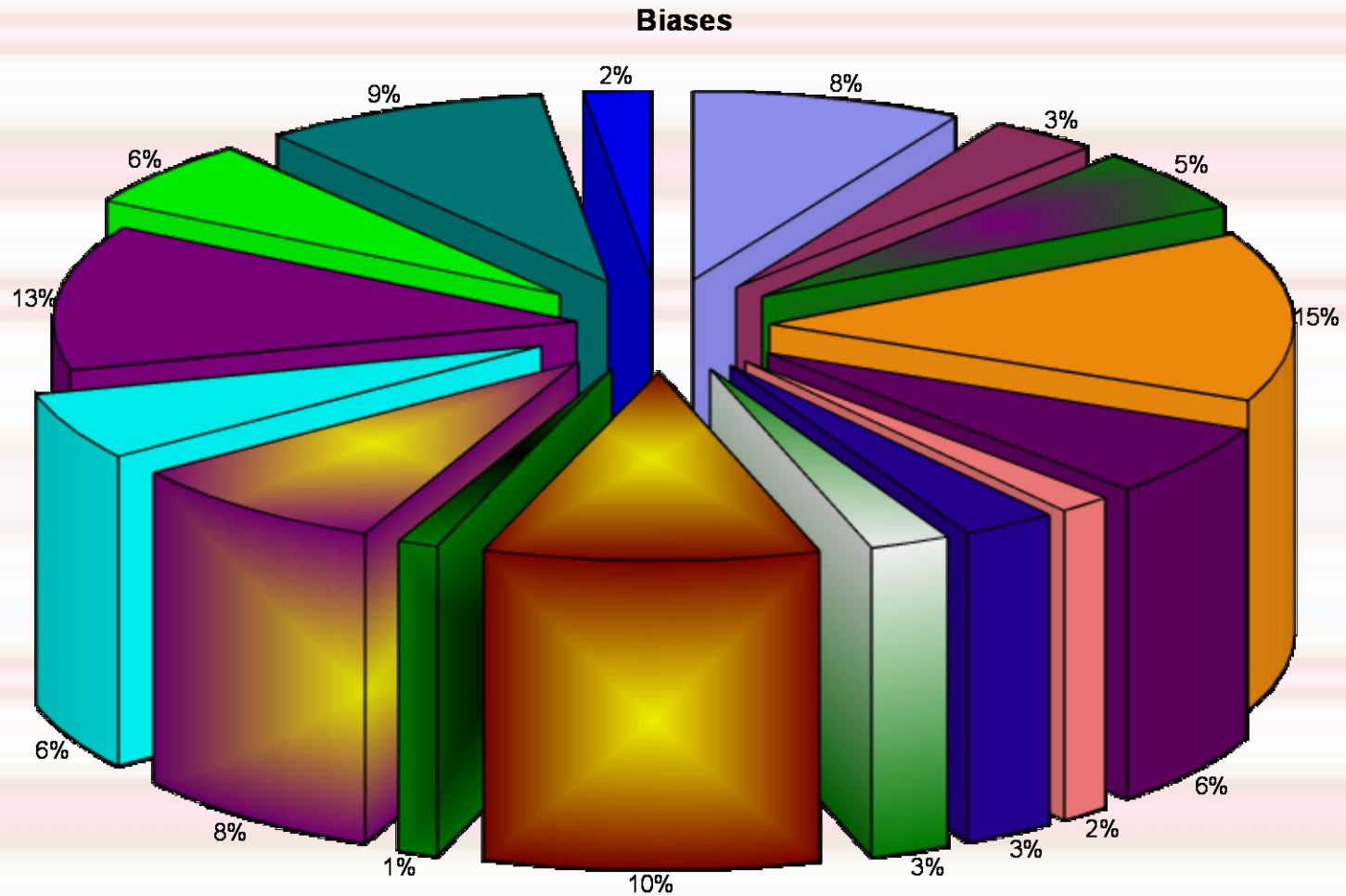


Biases

I have them.
So do you.

Biases: Who I Have Them For



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| Religion | Incompetence with Technology | African-Americans | Spoiled People |
| Asians | Women | Politicians | Weird Last-Names |
| Indo-Canadians | Seniors | Americans | Southerners |
| Gangsters | The Gullible | Over-Emotional | Canadians from Toronto |

How my Biases Affect How I See The World:

- When I see people that coincide with my biases, I find myself a bit annoyed as well as self-justified in a way.
- This has a negative impact on how I view the world.

Where Do My Beliefs Come From?

- ◆ Family, Internet, Friends, Music, Internet, Old Religion, Internet, Television, Internet, Radio, Internet, Videogames, Internet, Enemies, Internet, Culture, Internet, School, Internet, Mentors, Internet, Jonas, Internet, Melinda, Internet, Fiction, Internet, Non-Fiction, Internet, Wikipedia, Internet, Advertisement.

How Do My Personal Experiences and Circumstances Affect My Perceptions

General Occurrences:

- Bullying
- Playing Video Games
- Arguments
- Conversations

Occurrences

- ◆ My bias towards religion was caused by the learning about the Renaissance and the Martin Luther reform
- ◆ I have a small amount of faith for humanity as a whole because of all the revolutions I've heard of. Today we are too 'lazy' to revolt.
- ◆ I've dealt with a bit of hostility in my life for not very good reasons and it has shaped how I view a lot of individuals and groups as a whole negatively

What Roles Do Culture and Language Play in My Perceptions, Understandings, Values and Beliefs

- ◆ I have learned everything today in the English language, including second languages
- ◆ I think in English while others may not
- ◆ I haven't learned a lot about my culture but the way my family has brought me up as played more of a role and I think family values in a way is your culture – it shapes you, puts order in your life and is filled with all sorts of silly traditions!

How Do My Ancestry and Nationality Affect My Perceptions

- ◆ My Ancestry is Aboriginal/Hungarian primarily as well as a mixture of many other nationalities
- ◆ My Nationality is Canadian
- ◆ I've come to find that my nationality is mostly American-based and I see the world from a mostly American point-of-view
- ◆ My perception on discrimination is shaped by my Aboriginal ancestry as there is still much injustice today directed towards Aboriginal peoples

Am I Privileged and Entitled? In What Ways? To What Extent Does This Colour the Way I Relate to the World?

- ◆ I am privileged and entitled to a lot in this world, education, work, a home, food, clothing, entertainment. It's honestly more than many can ask for!
- ◆ I see the world in a way that if they don't have at least as much as me, I feel sorry for them and I believe that they should. I also believe that some people with far more than myself have a lot to give in the world but they hoard it for themselves.

Am I Oppressed or Marginalized? How?

- ◆ My oppression is only one that comes against my ancestors. Today I feel very much equal to much of the world, HOWEVER oppression does occur
- ◆ My lacking ability to play sports affects how I get picked on teams
- ◆ The way I talk and the clothing I wear affects who will talk to me and how, as there are many people who dislike me for the above

How do I perpetuate or challenge the status quo?

- ◆ I perpetuate my own Aboriginal stereotypes in a lot of everyday conversation, it could be simply reinforcing a joke about them or maybe mocking my own culture – this allows other people to think that my culture is a joke and isn't important
- ◆ I challenge the status quo by being smart and speaking out – whether or not people want to hear what I have to say

What Are My Assumptions on How Society Functions or Should Function?

- ◆ I assume that money isn't being spent where it should be and that there are many people who need help and aren't getting it with many able, malevolent people in the world.
- ◆ I feel that the world isn't meant to be so filled-to-the-brim with advertisements and people pulling me every-which-way to get me to do something to benefit them.

How Do I Respond When Someone Disagrees With Me?

- ◆ Negatively: Usually but I'm getting a lot better in that regard. I used to be a very disagreeable fellow when it came to arguments
- ◆ Positively: I tend to want to look at all sides of the debate before I speak, and my ideas are actually sometimes wrong. If I feel I have missed something or need to research it, I will retract my statement.

To What Extent Do I Understand the Concept of Social Justice? What Do I Do to Promote Social Justice Ideals?

- ◆ I understand Social Justice to the extent that it requires a good deal of self-reflection as well as action. This project itself is a hard-copy representation of how I do understand.
- ◆ I promote Social Justice ideals in the way I talk to people, how motivated I feel and how much I want to make a difference in the world today

How Willing am I to Take Personal Risk in Sharing My Views About and Advocating for Social Justice Issues

- ◆ I am willing to deal with any sort of persecution that might come my way in the showing of my ideals and action-plans that advocate social justice issues. I wouldn't get myself beaten up however because that doesn't send a message at all. I'd just be willing to say what people don't want to hear and actually go out and do something about some of these problems.