



Celebrate Personal Identity

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RESPOND to questions about personal identity by reflecting on how every person is unique and yet we have so much in common.

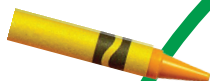
- How can each person be celebrated and respected for the differences that make them special?
- How could we explore personal identity in different creative ways? Perhaps it could be by writing autobiographies, sketching selfies, or drawing ourselves in our imagined future career.



CREATE an *Identity Pie*. Reflect on your interests, skills, and qualities. Start by dividing the circle into slices, with each section of the pie representing an important part of your identity. You may want one slice to show the relationships you have with other people as a sibling, grandchild, or friend. Another slice could show the multiple roles you play as student, athlete, and dog lover. Another slice might show your interests or abilities.

Add sketches and words that will inform others of who you are on the inside. Include aspects of yourself that others may not yet know, such as where you have lived before, where your ancestors lived, and what languages you and your family speak.

SKETCH AN IDENTITY PIE



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CONNECT with others by looking at the *Identity Pies* displayed without names or explanations. Can you tell whose pie belongs to whom? Focus on one other person's identity pie and try to figure out who created it. Which strengths and interests are important clues? Note your prediction before presentations are made.



PRESENT your *Identity Pie* to classmates. What aspects of your identity surprise them? Listen and watch respectfully as others present their art.

- What patterns or similarities do you see?
- How are unique or different traits celebrated?
- Why is it important to honor individual differences?

Find a person whose pie seemed different from yours at first glance. Begin a conversation to learn more about each other. Often we notice differences first, but getting to know each other will reveal many commonalities. Perhaps you were born in different countries or cities and after talking you learn you both love the same foods! There is much more inside you than one pie can show. But starting with a visual *Identity Pie* helps us celebrate what is within ourselves and others.

Note for teachers and parents:

For more creative inspiration and hands-on explorations go to Crayola.com/CreativityWeek
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