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Greeting and Language

• I grew up in a family that greeted each other with a hug and kiss on the cheek.

• A hug and a kiss are also common in my culture.

• How I greet someone depends on how well I know them.

• I’ll hug the person if I know them well or shake their hand if I’ve just met them.

• I like people to use my first name when they greet me.

• English is my first language, and I prefer informal greetings e.g. ‘Hi Sue’ rather than ‘Hello Suzanne’.
What did I learn about others experiences?

• E.g. In some cultures it is disrespectful to touch a person when you greet.
• It is important in some cultures to address people formally e.g. Mrs Black or Mr Smith as it shows respect.
• Lots of different cultures and languages.
What will I need to work on to ensure that I respect the diversity in my workplace?

• Be aware of ‘touch’ when greeting people.

• Learn some of the greetings and practice using them.
If I need help, who or where can I go to?

• I could sit with a work colleague from the same culture and find out.
• Seek cultural advice from an appropriate person.
• Check out the internet.
• Talk to my supervisor.