

"We are not anything so much as what we have learned to call ourselves" (Willinsky, 1998, p.264).

Language

Race

Ability

Gender

How Does the World Make Sense of Me?

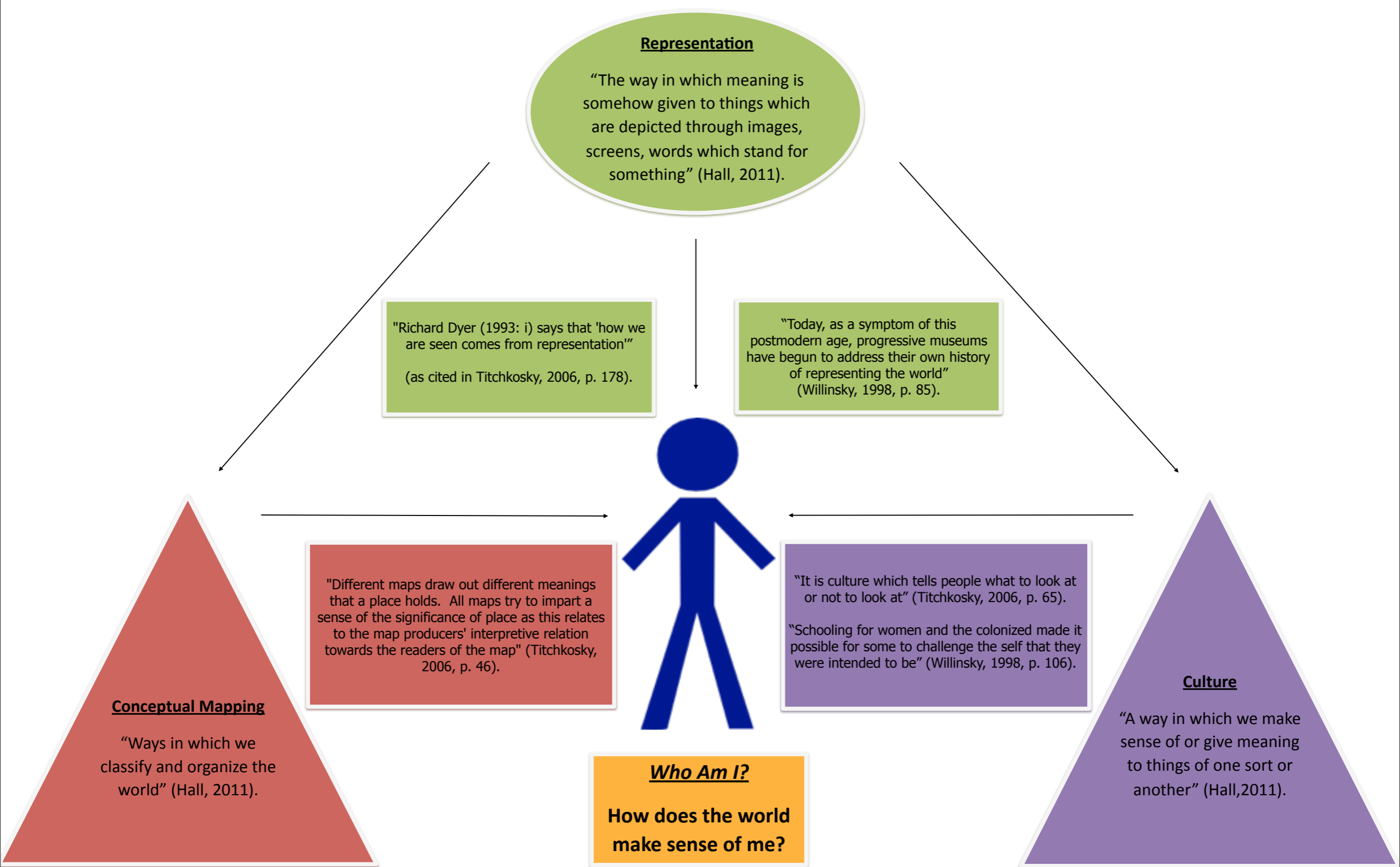
Geography

Class

Religion

Sexual Orientation

Ethnicity



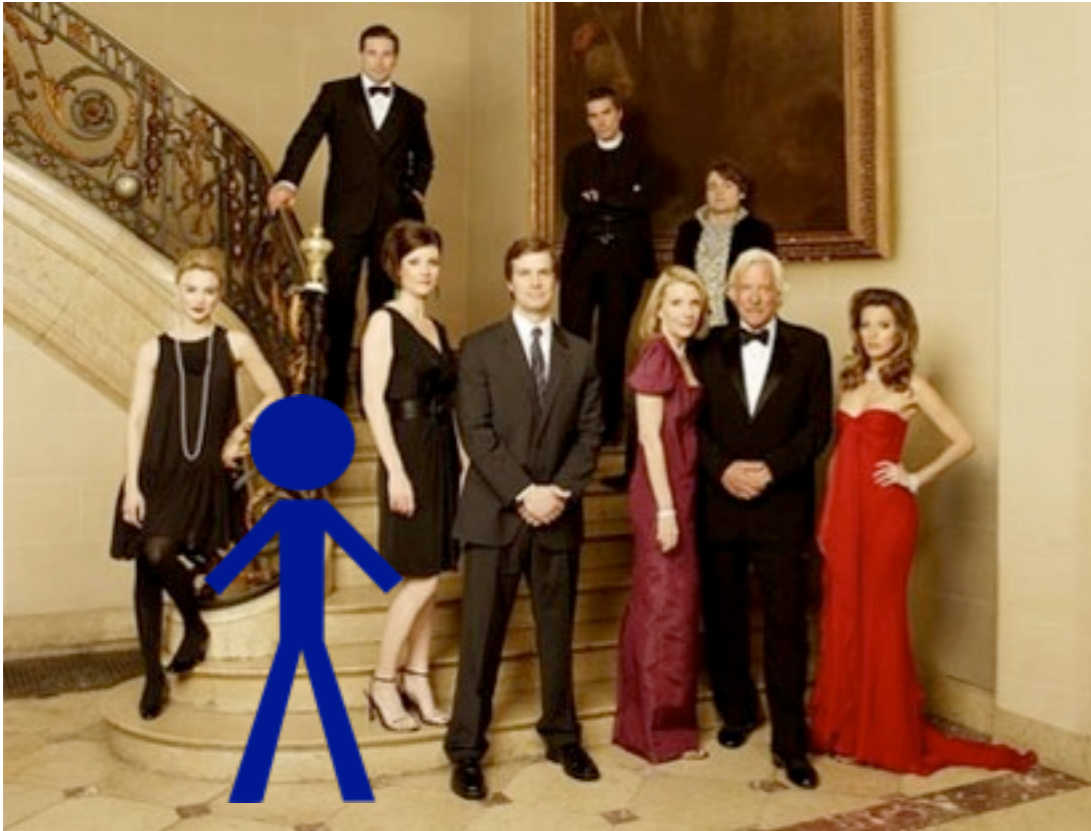


VS.

How Am I Represented in these Contexts...

Where do I belong?





How am I classified?



VS.



Who Am I to the World?

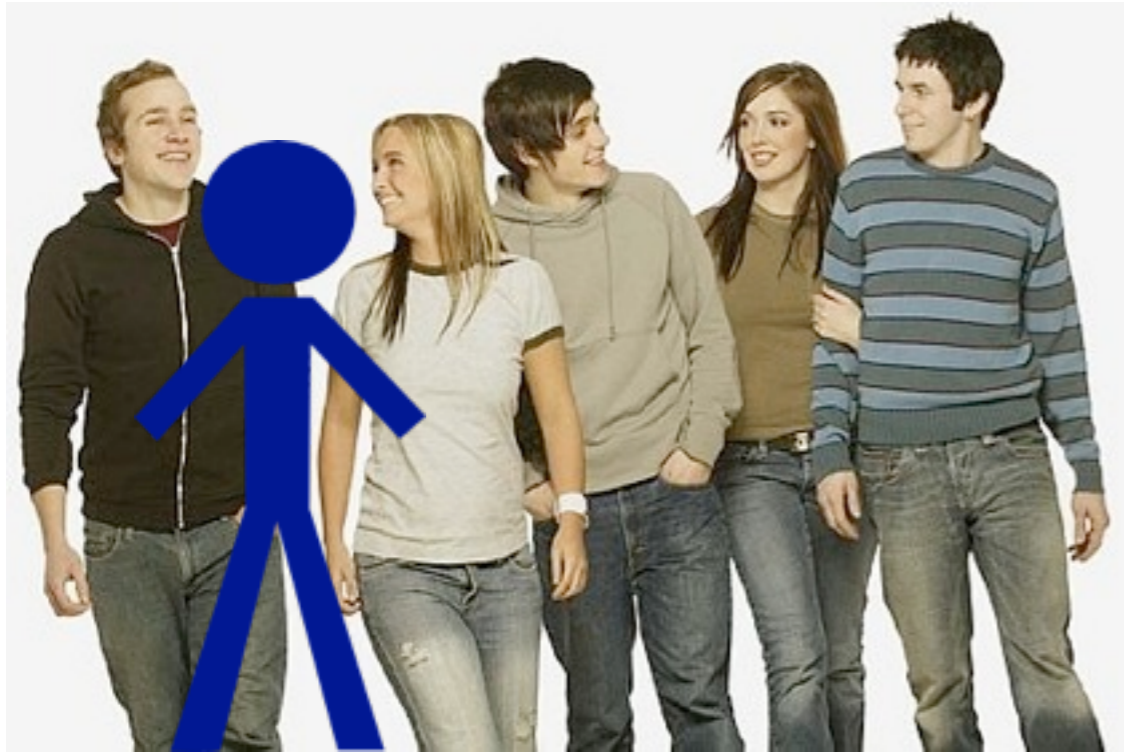


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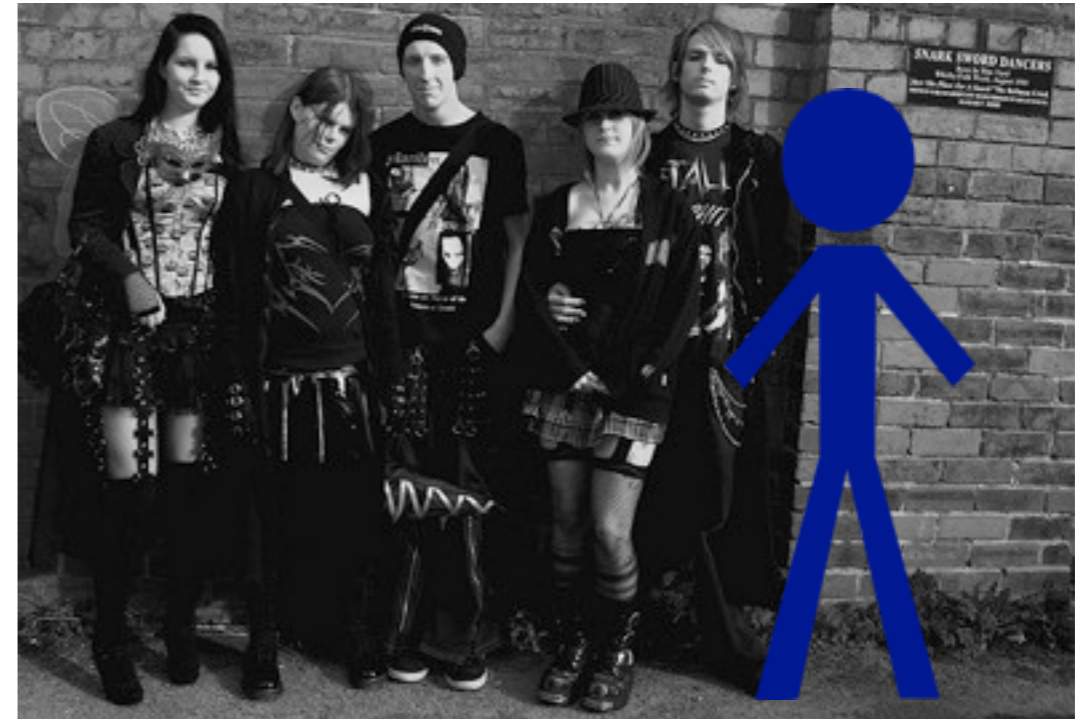


What does the world think I can do and achieve?





VS.



Where does the world...



...think that I am heading?

What is expected of me?

VS.



What is my place?

Who do you need me to be? Who do you want me to be?



"We come into the world as subjects of others' interpretations of our naked physical existence. The meaning and significance of our race, class, gender, and our bodies are inscribed and reinscribed by others from the moment of our birth and forever onwards. Thus, our naked physical appearance is interpreted, treated, trained and acted upon" (Titchkosky, 2006, p. 164).

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