

Worldview Chart for Rebalancing Life Systems on Planet Earth

Common Kinship/Indigenous Worldview Manifestations

1. Egalitarian
2. Courage and fearless trust in the universe
3. Socially purposeful life
4. Emphasis on community welfare
5. Respect for various gender roles and fluidity
6. Emphasis on intangible values
7. Earth and all systems are living and loving
8. Emphasis on heart wisdom
9. Competition to develop positive potential
10. Empathetic
11. Bio-centric
12. Words are sacred, truthfulness is essential
13. Truth considered multifaceted, accepting the mysterious
14. Flexible boundaries and interconnected systems
15. Regular use of alternative consciousness
16. Recognition of spirit in All
17. Emphasis on holistic interconnectedness
18. High interpersonal engagement, touching
19. Inseparability of knowledge and action
20. Resistance to authoritarianism
21. Time as cyclical, permeable and fluid
22. Seeking complementary duality
23. Intolerance of injustice
24. Emphasis on responsibility
25. Generosity is way of life
26. Ceremony is life-sustaining
27. Learning is experiential and collaborative
28. Trance-based learning is helpful and natural
29. Human nature is good but malleable
30. Humor is essential tool for coping
31. Conflict resolution is return to community
32. Learning is holistic and place based

Common Dominant Worldview Manifestations

1. Rigid hierarchy
2. Fear-based thoughts and behaviors
3. Living without strong social purpose
4. Focus on self and personal gain
5. Rigid and discriminatory gender stereotypes
6. Emphasis on possessions
7. Earth as an unloving "it"
8. Emphasis on intellect
9. Competition to feel superior
10. Lacking empathy
11. Anthropocentric
12. Words used to deceive self or others
13. Truth claims as absolute, intolerant of ambiguity
14. Rigid boundaries and fragmented systems
15. Unfamiliarity with alternative consciousness
16. Imperceptive of spirit in All
17. Disregard for holistic interconnectedness
18. Minimal contact with others
19. Emphasis on theory and rhetoric
20. Acceptance of authoritarianism
21. Time as linear
22. Dualistic thinking
23. Acceptance of injustice
24. Emphasis on rights
25. Accumulation (hoarding) as way of life
26. Ceremony as rote formality
27. Learning as didactic
28. Trance is dangerous or stemming from evil
29. Human nature as corrupt or evil
30. Humor used for put downs
31. Conflict mitigated via revenge, punishment
32. Learning is individualistic and passive

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| 33. Personal vitality is essential | 33. Personal vitality minimized |
| 34. Nature's laws are primary | 34. Societal laws are primary |
| 35. Holistic self-knowledge is most important | 35. Self-knowledge not prioritized |
| 36. Autonomy for individual, group & future generations | 36. Autonomy for self alone |
| 37. Nature is benevolent and relational | 37. Nature as dangerous or utilitarian only |
| 38. All earth forms are sentient | 38. Other-than-human beings are not sentient |
| 39. High respect for the feminine | 39. Low respect for the feminine |
| 40. Honors diversity and multiple perspectives | 40. Little realization of the importance of diversity |
| 41. Communal healing and transformative gatherings | 41. Privatized healing and individualized transformation |
| 42. Bonded to the land | 42. Detachment from the land |
| 43. Emphasis on becoming fully human | 43. De-emphasizing becoming fully human |
| 44. Mutual dependence | 44. Independence from relations |
| 45. Centrality of gratitude | 45. Centrality of striving |
| 46. Noninterference | 46. Manipulation of others |
| 47. Relational healing is self-initiated | 47. Relational healing is outsourced to experts |
| 48. Understanding/embracing death and dying | 48. Fearing and avoiding death to the extreme |
| 49. Reciprocity is a guiding principle | 49. Competition as a guiding principle |
| 50. Practical and spiritual connection to cosmos | 50. Scientific interest in the cosmos |

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