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- The **sixties** was the great decade of portuguese emmigration

1.2 Million portuguese emmigrated to:

France, Germany, Belgium, Canada, U.S.A....

- During the nineties,  
Portugal becomes a country of Immigration:

1.º **Ucrane; Russia**

2.º Cabo Verde, **Brasil**

...



# 1. The myth of a Global Culture



**The idea of progress  
and  
the theory of evolution**



**2. Each person has his own measure.**



### 3. The I is a We



## 4. Our past gives us a cultural frame of mind



## **5. The individual and the cultural mosaic**



- 1. a multicultural self or a bicultural self;**
- 2. a monocultural self;**
- 3. an intercultural self.**



# **Individual strategies of second generation immigrants:**

- Insistence on traditional culture of origin**
- Adjustment to the new culture and denial of the old**
- Living between cultures without identity problems**



**Ethnicity is a dynamic category**



# The process of cultural mixture

**New Culture** Identity in  
a given moment

