

Practical Look at Contrasting Cultural-Worldviews	
<i>EASTERN/MUSLIM</i>	ISSUE
Past-Traditions	Time Orientation
Not important (Social oriented)	Time Usage
All important	Honor
Inherited	Status
Little value	Change
Society is most important	Rights
People more important than events	Relationships
An external mistake	Sin
Extended	Family
Leads to greater respect & increased decision making	Aging
Shamed by family (external)	Discipline
Avoided, transferred	Blame
Usually indirect (3rd person story)	Confrontation
Essential and honorable	Hospitality.

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Future

Punctuality important (Event oriented)

Helpful- not essential

Earned

Highly valued

Individual is most important

Events often more important than people

An internal failure

Nuclear, immediate

Usually leads to less respect and decision making

Physical by parents (internal)

OK to accept blame

Usually direct (1st person, cut to the chase)

Nice, but not essential.