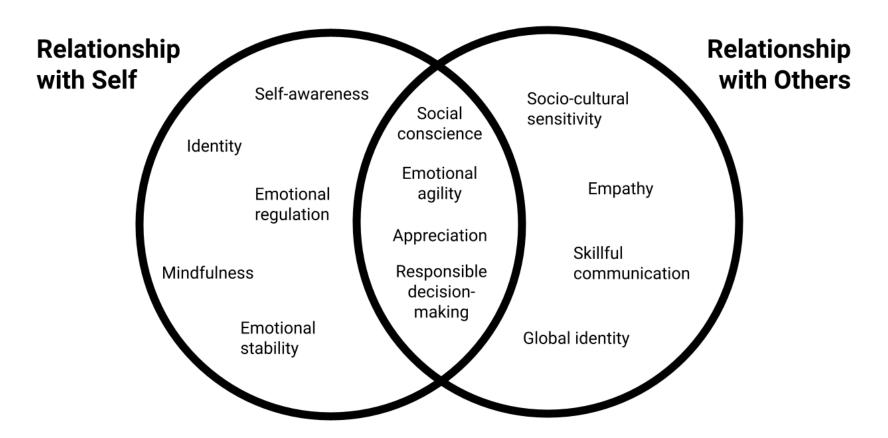




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SEL Competencies for English Learners



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Relationship with Self			
Competency	Definition	Critical Questions	
Self-awareness	The ability to focus on ourselves and our emotions, and understand how our thoughts, actions, and emotional responses align (or not) with our values.	 How and what am I feeling? Why might I be feeling this way? How can I accept my emotions and still make strides in reaching my goals? 	
Identity	The internal consistency and acceptance of one's self across time, contexts, and social identities, which serve as an internal framework for behaving and making choices in the world.	 How do I see and understand myself? What is my internal value system /framework for making choices, performing, and interacting with the world? How am I perceived in this space by others? What areas of my identity can I capitalize on to increase my desired emotions, overall well-being, and success in this space? 	
Emotional regulation	The ability to effectively regulate our emotions and respond appropriately to an emotional experience.	 What can I do to regulate my emotions? How can I regulate my undesired emotions into desired emotions and feelings? 	
Mindfulness	The ability to develop inner awareness by paying attention to our senses and feelings, letting go of the past and anything around us, and accepting the present.	 How does stress affect my overall well-being? What can I do to mitigate stress? How can I maintain focus on the present? 	
Emotional stability	The ability to remain emotionally balanced and calm, particularly in challenging situations that result in undesired feelings.	 What emotions and triggers are being created by this space? What resources are available to me if I am having difficulties maintaining emotional stability? 	

Relationship with Others			
Competency	Definition	Critical Questions	
Skillful communication	The ability to communicate effectively, clearly, and compassionately in a way that empowers self and others.	 What do effective communication and collaboration with others look like? How can I communicate effectively and collaborate with others for the benefit of the community? 	
Empathy	The ability to understand and share the feelings of another, respond to other people's emotions appropriately, and understand someone's response to a situation.	 How can I build and maintain positive relationships with myself and others? How can I communicate with others what I need in order to feel safe in my relationships? How can I advocate for myself? What practices and activities make me a more empathetic individual? 	
Socio-cultural sensitivity	The ability to empathize with others through understanding, acceptance, and respect, and engage in appropriate behaviors in a way that enhances social cohesion.	 What does it mean to be culturally and globally competent? How can I use my talents to create a more peaceful and just world? 	
Global identity	The ability to feel a sense of connectedness with our environment and the world.	What routines can I incorporate in my daily life to acknowledge and honor global responsibility, sustainability, and peace?	

Relationship with Self & Others			
Competency	Definition	Critical Questions	
Social conscience	The ability to understand how contextual factors affect our choices and behavior, and the ability to have a sense of responsibility or concern for the problems and injustices in society.	 How is the way I perceive contextual factors (e.g., politics, cultural practices, values) affecting my behavior, emotions, and choices and those of others? What steps can I take to successfully participate in this space while simultaneously preserving my well-being, values, and identity, and responding to contextual and situational demands, norms, and expectations? 	
Appreciation	The ability to fully understand a situation, and the recognition and enjoyment of the good qualities of ourselves, someone, or something.	 How can I feel safe in this space? How can I be productive in this space? What can I be grateful for in this space? How can I use those elements I am grateful for to positively affect my emotions, behavior, and overall well-being in this space? 	
ල ල ල ල ම ල Emotional agility	The ability to utilize our feelings and emotions as information to improve our lives.	 What practices can I include in my daily routine to promote emotional agility? How can I mitigate psychological distress in my daily life? Based on my past and present experiences, what affective strategies can I deploy to mitigate stress and undesired emotions and come to feel safe and valued in this space? 	
Responsible decision-making	The ability to make caring and constructive choices individually and in the community.	 How do my actions affect me and others? What consequences do my actions have for me and others? What future do I envision for myself? What are some goals I want to achieve, and what are the steps I must take to achieve those goals? 	