**MULTINATIONAL SOCIETY**

**DEFINITION**:

Multinational society includes people from several different cultures, people of different colours, nationalities, languages, beliefs and customs live together in one community or country. This society embraces a number of minority cultures according to the theory of multiculturalism, where people live side by side with respect to all.   
  
**ADVANTAGES:**

-learning about different ways of life, breaking down of barriers between ethnic groups, better understanding of another cultures, religions…Living in a multicultural society brings us new cuisines, clothes, language, art, music, literature, customs, beliefs…  
**DISADVANTAGES:**

**-**cultural differences can lead to prejudice, discrimination, racism, some people think they are superior

**RACISM**

One of these disadvantages is Racism.

Racism is usually defined as views, practices and actions reflecting the belief that humanity is divided into distinct biological groups called races and that members of a certain race share certain attributes.

Examples: Holocaust, Discrimination Afro-Americans in the USA, Discrimination of Romans and Vietnamese in the Czech Republic

**Afro-American Civil Right Movements**

This movement started, because of racism. In the USA the black Americans were brought from Africa and they were needed more as slavers. It had changed during the Civil war, but Afro-Americans still did not have an equal rights( voting right, going to some stores, sit in a public bus..)

**Martin Luther King, Jr.** (January 15, 1929 – April 4, 1968) was an American activist, and prominent leader in the African-American Civil Rights Movement. H

e is best known for his role in the advancement of civil rights using nonviolent civil disobedience. King has become a national icon in the history of modern American liberalism.

King became a civil rights activist early in his career. He led the 1955 Montgomery Bus Boycott and helped found the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) in 1957, serving as its first president. King's efforts led to the 1963 March on Washington, where King delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech. There, he established his reputation as one of the greatest orators in American history.

On October 14 1964, King received the Nobel Peace Prize for combating racial inequality through nonviolence.

**Holocaust**

Racism was a key aspect of World War II. Adolf Hitler clearly hated Jews and Slavs. He believed that the Jews caused the crisis in Germany. Hitler wanted purge Germany from Jews and this process is called Holocaust. The Jews had to be purged first, because the new country/reich needed Slavs as slavers. They wanted to have a pure german race, they called Aryan race

**Every national has some specific characteristic**

Stereotyping is believing that people of a certain group, race or religion all have the same characteristics , when they don't. To some, national stereotypes may provoke racism. To others, national stereotypes are harmless jokes based on the identity that a certain nation or people has established or projected towards other countries through the years.

**CZECHS**

Czechs are very self-confident, fun-loving, but sometimes very lazy .We prefer comfortable life, without working. Czechs can swear on everything. Our biggest hobby is being with friends in pub and drinking a beer. Inhabitans of other countries say that czech women are very pretty. We have a lot of models, who are famous in the World.

**BRITISH**

The British are said to be reserved in manners, dress and speech. They are famous for their

politeness, self-discipline and especially for their sense of humour. British people have a strong

sense of humour which sometimes can be hard for foreigners to understand.

**French**

The French are friendly, helpful, romantic, sophisticated. They are very proud of their country and language. Fashion and style is often closely associated with France. The French are, as

a whole, well dressed and take pride in their overall appearance. The French do not like foreigners and their president.

**The Italians**

The Italians are good lovers but bad workers.The Italians are sociable and friendly. They often gesticulate and talk loudly, are short temperred and always start discussions about the most banal topics. Spaghetti, mafia, musical accent, gestures, romantic, loud, fashion, chaos - these are all words often used to describe Italians.They are chaotic. Nothing in Italy is well organized or easy-to-use.