

Autobiography of Intercultural Encounters



Module 4

Activity 4: Action orientation – solution

Which of the two excerpts below match with deciding to take action as a result of the intercultural encounter itself? Which two match with deciding to take action as a result of doing the AIE?

AIE excerpt 1

I try to be more social now. I think being in another culture helped open me up to other people more, makes it easier for me to get to know other people.

Answer: Taking action as a result of the intercultural encounter.

AIE excerpt 2

At first, I was very reluctant to share this experience, because of the very private nature of the experiences of the man I met. However, a friend of mine persuaded me that they should be shared, and when I thought about it carefully, I decided he was right, so here it is. I will suggest that my students visit the AIE website and do their own autobiographies.

Answer: Taking action as a result of doing the AIE.

AIE excerpt 3

I already decided half way through this Autobiography to write an e-mail to him and his family to see how they were doing, because we haven't spoken in a while. It just made me analyze the situation more than I have ever done before. It also really makes me want to write essays about race and culture, as well as start reading more about it, as I find these issues very interesting.

Answer: Taking action as a result of doing the AIE.

AIE excerpt 4

I have begun to tell people about this and other experiences because I think perceptions of Morocco are probably out of date.

Answer: Taking action as a result of the intercultural encounter.