



STUDENT'S PERCEPTION:

CUSTOMS & BELIEFS OF MULTI – RACIAL

DEATH & MARRIAGE

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ABSTRACT

This study attempts to examine the concept of Customs & Beliefs of Multi – Racial Death & Marriage. Generally, this study expounds the overview of customs & beliefs and also we relate it with Death & Marriage in terms of its definition and its characteristics. In particular, it explores the elements in the life of the students itself, that include the belief in the existence of spirits, and the observance of taboos in the two selected that cover *Death* and *Marriage*. This study will use library and field research.

Moreover, this study aspires to open a new dimension in the student's perception to realize the notion of customs & beliefs and how it has influenced the life of the students since it still be practically or non – practically by them. This study hopes to provide an explanation to the impact of customs & beliefs on the Multi – Racial of Death & Marriage. Therefore, this study will evaluate the Student's Perspective; Customs & Beliefs of Multi – Racial Death & also Marriage. Towards the end, this study will delineate the perspective of the students itself either it is positive taken or vice – versa.

CHAPTER ONE:

INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

We are defining and doing a research onwards student's perception: custom and belief of Multi – Racial death and marriage.

Firstly, we are trying to have a research on the customs and beliefs. As being mentioned, customs and beliefs are whereby being done in a particular society because it is a traditionally and usually being done every day or in a particular situation and also it is also about a feeling that something is definitely true or definitely exists, especially one that forms part of a system of ideas.

It is incomplete when we only go through the customs and also beliefs but we specifically also go onto the death and also marriage. Death is the end of the life of a person and meanwhile marriage is about the two people who are married, or the state of being married.

Though, we combine these customs and beliefs with all the multi – racial expectations onward it where Multi – racial here means that relating to the relationships between different races of people who lives in the same country or area.

CHAPTER TWO: LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 INTRODUCTION

A literature review discusses published information in a particular subject area, and sometimes information in a particular subject area within a certain time period. A literature review can be just a simple summary of the sources, but it usually has an organizational pattern and combines both summary and synthesis.

A *summary* is a recap of the important information of the source, but a *synthesis* is a re-organization, or a reshuffling, of that information. It might give a new interpretation of old material or combine new with old interpretations.

Customs & Beliefs has become part and parcel of the society in Malaysia. The Multi – racial society adapted certain practices without realizing that it has been corrupted from the religious teaching especially the ceremony of death & also marriage. Thus, this study focuses mainly on a detailed discussion on “*Student’s perception; Customs & Beliefs of the Multi – Racial on Death & Marriage*”.