

e-Thoughts — *Imagine if we were all the same...*

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Our e-Thoughts feature provides close-up views on topics and areas of interest from everyday life.

I don't know about you, but sometimes I catch myself thinking it would be much easier if everyone thought the way I did. No arguments, no problems getting along. Everything would flow smoothly.

Then I stop fantasizing and really think it through: Wait! How boring! No one would ever learn anything new if we all thought the same, looked the same, acted the same and did the same thing day after day. I don't think I could stand it. Could you?

Differences make our lives richer and more interesting. Working as part of a team really drives this point home for me.

When I share an idea or problem with a coworker, I often come away with a new, helpful perspective. Why? The other person has a whole lifetime of experiences and ideas that are different from my own. I almost always find that two heads are better than one!

So let's be thankful for others who:

- Challenge our thinking
- Bring creative ideas to our work and home life because they see things from their own perspective
- Dress differently
- Eat different foods
- Have unique strengths and skills
- Look and act differently from us

Appreciate how differences add a spark to your day. Life without variety would be a very dull reality. Enjoy the diversity around you — it makes the world a more exciting place.