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Education and understanding the implications of unconscious bias, is critical to cultivating a culture of inclusion and belonging. It is important to recognize not all unconscious bias is bad and unconscious bias is an inherent trait of being human. Unconscious bias is the brains way of efficiently filtering and organizing information. In its simplest form it can be benign, helping us to easily decide what to have for lunch. In its most complex form it can be insidious, manifesting in reinforcing or enabling negative stereotypes. In the first example we can quickly decide on the food we like. In the latter example, this can lead to exclusionary and harmful behavior. Defining unconscious bias, recognizing how it can manifest in the workplace and engaging steps to mitigate are the building blocks to creating and maintaining a diverse, equitable and inclusive environment.

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 Draw & color scientist Read "And Tango Makes Three", "Just Like Me"

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EXTERNAL RESOURCES

To Watch [CIW YouTube Playlist]

- Making the Unconscious Conscious
- Who, Me Biased?
- TedTalks Bias Series

To Read [Day 2 External Download]

- Blindspot: Hidden Biases of Good People
- The Person You Mean to Be