**Why is perception important in human relations?**

Perception can be defined as the interpretation and recognition of the sensory stimuli depending on our memory. It is the way one interprets the data around him such as data coming from the five senses. The perception in the case of human relations is that humans sometimes fail to understand other’s perceptions and make assumptions that they have the same perception as one is having. Such issues in understanding other’s perceptions lead to disagreements and failure in communication. For instance, if one makes a perception that the other person is amiable and like chatting all the time, his interactions will be depending on that perception of him. If he does not like interacting, a lot so he will be bothered by the continuous interaction based on the false perception.

Perceptions can be false most of the time. A Halo effect is one example of this. It assumes that if one trait of a person is likable, his other traits will also be desirable. In the same, one dislikes a person based on one undesirable trait assuming that his other traits will also be undesirable. Depending on this, one develops or breaks relations with others. Hence, awareness of perceptions is essential to be successful in personal and professional life.

Negative perception can negatively affect human relationships. Perception is the driving force of an individual’s reaction towards something. Therefore, if a person has a negative perception of someone he will not be able to relate to him in any way. In addition, a number of factors such as needs, peer groups, and interests also affects perception. False perception based on any of these factors leads to adverse outcomes in human relations. Other’s perception of one can also determine if they want to relate to one or not. To enhance human relations, it is essential to let go of false and negative perceptions of others because it promotes respect and mutual understanding necessary to foster any relation.