



**We are all
hungry**

**We are
all poor**

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WHAT IS

POVERTY

?



**How we define poverty and its
causes directly effects how we
respond to it.**

(Myers 14, 133)

“Typically, poverty is thought of in terms of *financial resources* only. However, the reality is that financial resources, while very important, do not explain the differences in the success with which some individuals leave poverty nor the reasons that many stay in poverty. The ability to leave poverty is more dependent on other resources than it is on financial resources. Each of these resources plays a vital role in the success of an individual”

(Payne, 8)

Resources Available for Success:

- **Financial**
- **Emotional**
- **Mental / Cognitive**
- **Spiritual**
- **Physical**
- **Support Systems**
- **Relationships / Role Models**
- **Knowledge of Hidden Rules**
- **Buffers**
- **Opportunities to Grow**
- **Political Influence**
- **Connection**
- **Social Power**

(Payne 8, Jayakaran, Friedmann 67)

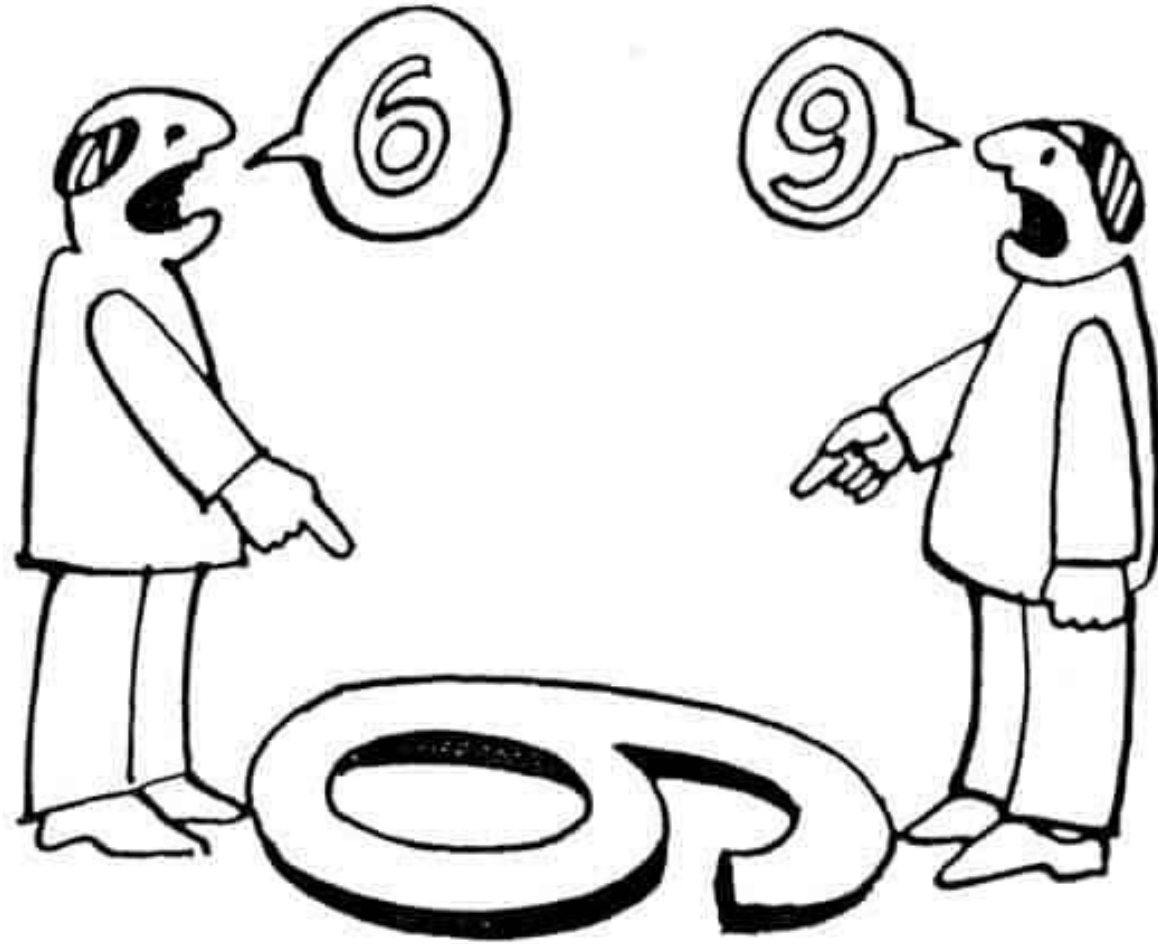
DISCUSSION

- **Which resources are you currently promoting/encouraging in your programs?**
- **Which resources could you promote that you currently are not?**
- **Which resources are you not able to promote?**
- **Success story of a non-financial resource you are promoting that you can share?**

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	POVERTY	MIDDLE CLASS	WEALTH
MONEY	To be used, spent	To be managed	To be conserved, invested
PERSONALITY is for...	entertainment – humor	stability & achievement	connections
SOCIAL EMPHASIS	Inclusion of people who are liked	Emphasis on self-sufficiency	Emphasis on social exclusion
FOOD	Is there enough?	Do you like it?	Was it presented well?
CLOTHING	Style & expression of self	Quality & fits the norm	Artistic & designer label
TIME	Present (feeling or survival)	Future (outcome)	Tradition
LOVE is based on...	If you're liked	Achievement	Social standing & connections
DRIVING FORCES	Survival, relationships, entertainment	Work, achievement	Social connections

(Adapted from Payne, 54-55)



- 1. Poverty is a combination of resources.**
- 2. Because resources are interconnected, weak resources can cause 'the poor' to believe a WEB OF LIES. (Damaged Identity).**
- 3. Providing what's missing can deepen these lies.**
- 4. 'The non-poor' believe lies about who they are. (Damaged Identity).**
- 5. Lies of 'the poor' + lies of 'the non-poor' = Web becomes more sticky.**
- 6. Differences in values (hidden rules) effect how we view our combination of resources.**
- 7. We are all hungry; We are all poor. The most effective tool we have for addressing poverty is by acknowledging our own.**

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