

Deaf Culture Question of the Week – May 12 – 16, 2008

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What is the name/word which describes the personal journey many deaf individuals take towards a positive acceptance of being deaf?

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Answer: **Deafhood** --- This is a word coined by Dr. Paddy Ladd in his book, "Understanding Deaf Culture: In Search of Deafhood". It is the name for the personal journey that many deaf individuals take toward understanding their experience in the world and embracing it from a positive perspective. Learn more about Deafhood at the following websites:

<http://www.csun.edu/~patrickb/DH/DH.html> (ASL Video - Genie Gertz - discusses, defines Deafhood)

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deafhood> (English - definition of Deafhood with links to other issues related to Deaf culture)