

PEOPLE

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Just the other day the world's population counted 7.5 billion people. Just the other day the world's population counted 5.5 individuals; all "me's".

At what age do individuals become people?
Briefly, I don't know.

A child is born all "ego".

The child sees everyone but himself. In time, learns some answer the question "Who are all these people?" Learns to recognize those seen regularly. Then, appreciates the providers, especially the paramount giver, Mother. Now the child's world doubles, me and mom. All other fades unknown strangers;; he will learn to call them "people".

In time the child learns the when first met, friends were strangers, part of the "people" world. And that the unmet "people" world exists in staggering numbers, most destined never to be part of the world the child moves in constantly. No matter the passage of time.

Eventually the child becomes an adult, recognizes four "people" in the world; Me; "My people", those met and now friend; those met who never became friend; those never met.

Now adult, no longer child, this understanding; it is important to include those not met as friend. Become "my people".

