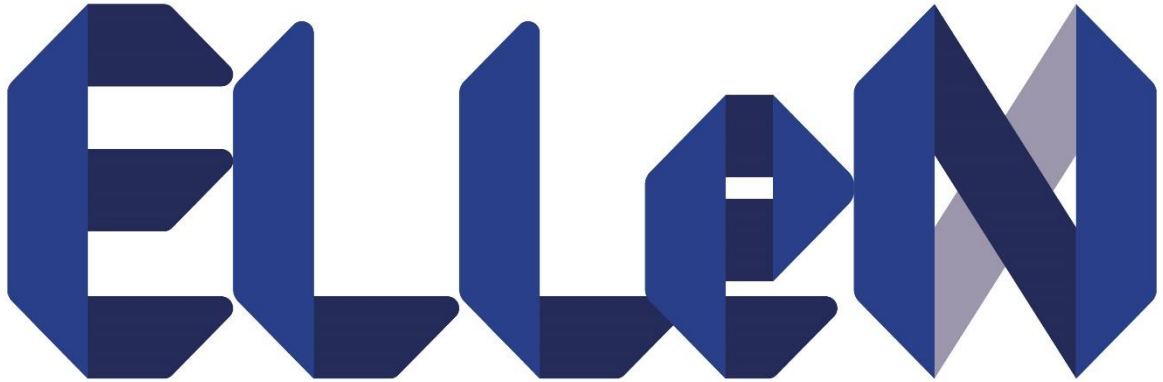

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Share your experience: Why

- Instances of exclusion
  - Moving / Being "new"
  - Extracurricular activities
  - Language differences
  - Being different
- Feelings
  - Angry
  - Sad
  - Disrespected, not heard
  - Perception vs. reality?
- Impact on learning or participation
  - Demoralized

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Reflecting on your experiences

- Who is or was responsible for the feelings of exclusion you experienced?

- How, if at all, could teachers or adults have changed the situation?
  - "That's like the teacher telling the bully to stop bullying you. It doesn't work." – Jael, October 2021

What does this have to do with neurodiversity?

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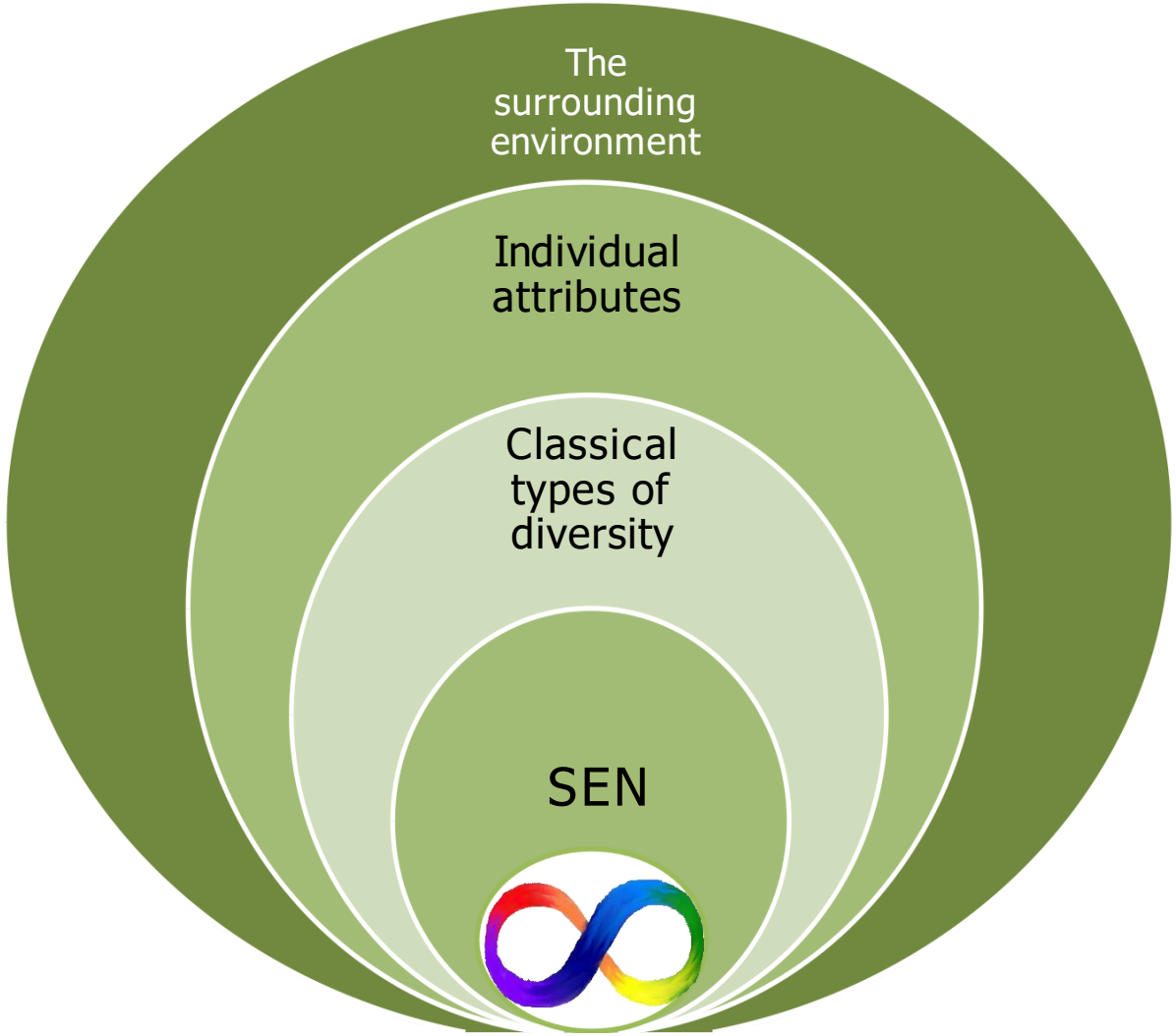

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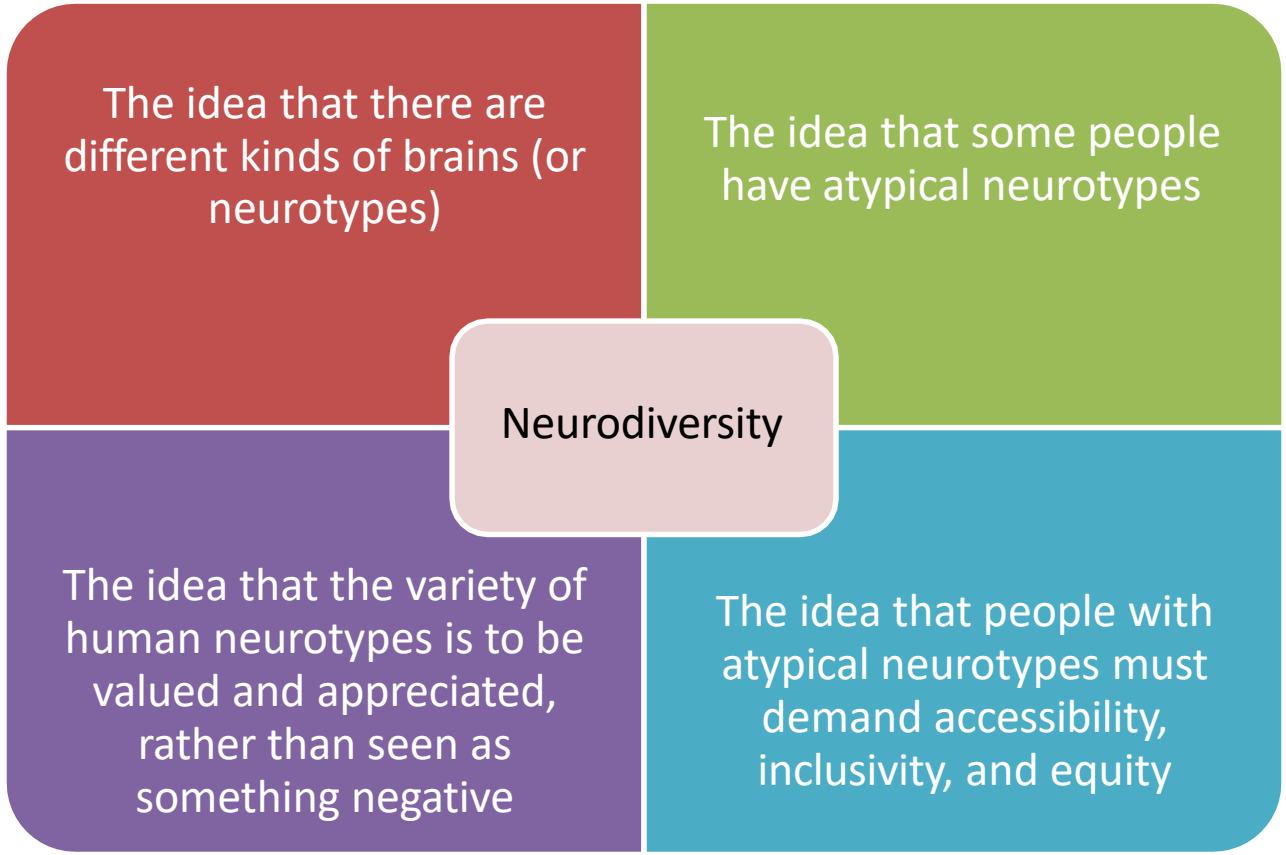
What is neurodiversity? the short version



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What are common forms of neurodiversity?

Differences in:

- Focus
- Emotions
- Perception
- Senses
- Motor behavior
- Cognition
- Interaction

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    - They are our students
    - They need to be invested in their learning

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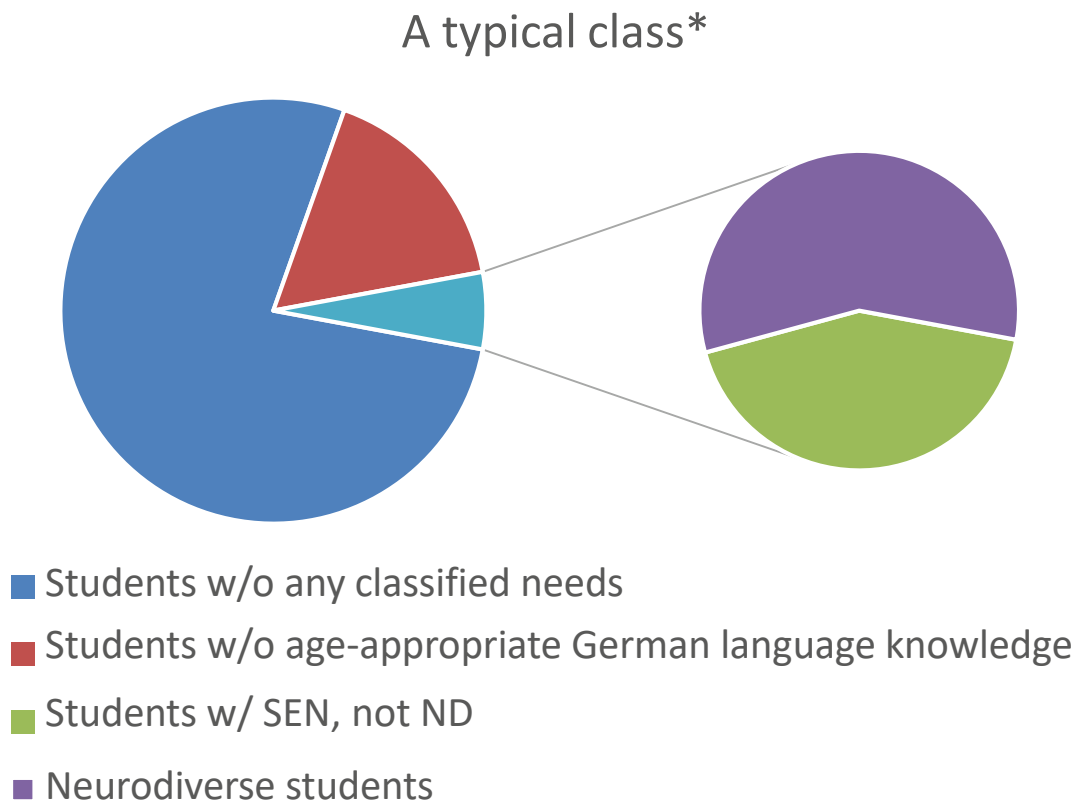
Why do we care about neurodiversity?



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