

# Literacy in the Early Years

## *Honouring Cultural Diversity*

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### *What the Research Says:*

#### ► [Culture and Early Childhood Education](#)

This paper explores best practices that support children's development through culturally based assets and goals.

#### ► [Emergent Bilingualism](#)

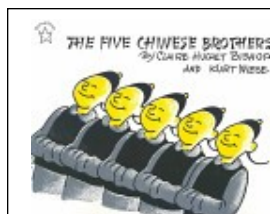
This newsletter gives an overview of research of dual language learners with suggestions for how to support children's first language at home, childcare and school.

#### ► [Open Hearts Open Minds](#)

The Best Start resource offers guidance for the development of programs that are inclusive of First Nations, Inuit and Métis families.

#### ► [Achieving Cultural Competence](#)

This document establishes a set of effective practice standards measuring cultural competence throughout organizations, including administration, human resources, assessment, interventions and programming.



### *Children's picture books*

#### [Stereotypes in Children's Literature](#)

(YouTube video)

## Free Webinars & More

### [Hold Onto Your Language Webinar](#)

(Playback mode)

### [What's so Special about Learning to Read in a Second Language?](#)

(Minerva Series podcast by Dr. Esther Geva)

### [Supporting Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in Early Childhood](#)

(Brookes Publishing video)

### [Come Walk in My Moccasins](#)

(Monthly e-newsletters with ideas and resources for the inclusion of Indigenous cultures in early learning programs)



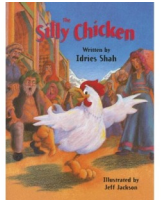
## Putting Research into Practice

### ► [CMAS Cultural Diversity Expert Corner](#)

This website offers practical tips and ideas to enhance cultural inclusion in early learning programs.

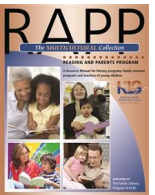
### ► [Institute for Cross Cultural Exchange](#)

Teaching stories and resources to support children's learning through beautifully illustrated Afghan folktales



### ► [Multicultural Reading And Parents Program \(RAPP\)](#)

This RAPP pack manual contains reading and language hints, craft ideas, poetry and activity sheets, all relating to a culturally themed picture book.



### ► [Honouring Diversity in Early Childhood Materials](#)

Booklet of early learning activities that regard diverse ways of life, viewpoints and languages as an asset.

## Parent Resources

► [Bilingual Quick Tips](#) for parents, available in 15 languages

► [Milestones, Parenting Tips, Posters, Newsletters](#) written in a variety of languages

► [FRP Multilingual Parenting Information](#) in 14 languages in addition to English and French. The back of each resource sheet contains the equivalent English content.

► [Mamma Lisa Songs and Rhymes from around the World](#) with printable lyrics and audio files

► [Traditional Games from Around the World](#) how children from Venezuela, Mexico, Korea, China, Germany, and many other countries play different versions of the same traditional games

► [Helping Children Respect and Appreciate Diversity](#) Canadian Child Care Federation parent resource

