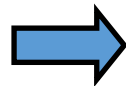


The Culture View of Reading

A child is born into a culture.
The culture shapes their oral language.
This oral language is the foundation for their literacy.

Culture determines:

Background knowledge
Vocabulary
Verbal reasoning style
Relationship to literacy
Dialect of English spoken



Oral Language determines:

Phonemes Used
Phonemic Awareness
Language Structure
Vocabulary
Morphology usage



Literacy:

-Decoding:
Standard Written English

-Language Comprehension:
Mostly 'Window' texts,
not 'Mirror' texts.

Goal: Skilled Reading
for a literate life

Culturally Relevant and Responsive Pedagogy

CRRP honors a student's heritage; it links identity to instruction. With an asset lens and high expectations, literacy skills are taught so students gain both a sense of self and competence at grade level. Use of representative and diverse texts connects to lived experiences to serve as mirrors and windows. Literacy is a human right.

