

Theme: Culture and Diversity

The Learning Triangle is TV that teaches + storybooks + activities—all related to one idea or skill. Parents and educators use the Learning Triangle to help children learn by encouraging them to interact with people and objects around them. Use the information below to create a Learning Triangle about culture and diversity.

TV that teaches

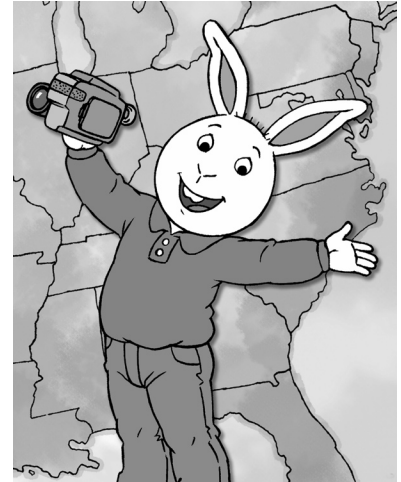
Mister Rogers' Neighborhood. #1583—Alike and Different

Postcards from Buster. #123—Lost and Found

Postcards from Buster. #128—Homes Sweet Homes

Maya and Miguel—Mala Suerte

Maya and Miguel—Tito's Mexican Vacation



Storybooks

Friends at School by Rochell Bunnett

Hello World by Manya Stojic

The Name Jar by Yangsook Choi

How My Family Lives in America by Susan Kuklin

Abuela by Arthur Dorros



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Activities

1. **Bring the world into your home with books!:** Read about children and families from your own culture and others. Compare the characters, places, and events with people and experiences in your child's life. How is that grandma like yours?
2. **Look at family photos with your child:** Talk about how family members are the same and different. Cousin Brianna's skin is cocoa brown. Is your skin like Brianna's? How is it different?
3. **Make a family recipe with your child:** Try making a similar recipe from another culture. How are the recipes alike? How are they different? Explain that all families cook and eat certain foods like rice and bread, but in different ways.
4. **Listen to music from a variety of cultures and countries:** Ask your child to move to the music. Talk about the ways each type of music is alike and different. Which music is fast? Slow? Soft? Loud?
5. **Explore your neighborhood with your child:** Go to community festivals and celebrations. These can be fun ways to enjoy music, dances, food, and stories from different cultures.

WILL has many resources that support the education of young children. For more information contact our educational outreach coordinator at **217-333-1070** or e-mail delaney1@will.uiuc.edu.

