

**Merced County Head Start
Cultural Diversity for Pre-School Teachers
Wednesday, April 6, 2011, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
New Community Center, Los Baños, CA**

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8:30 Introduction

3 Perspectives on Teaching and Learning

3 things to keep in mind:

Play

The value of early childhood education

Generative/constructivist teaching and learning

8:45 to 10:00 a.m. Our Stories Matter

Mama, Meaning, and Motivation

Reflective Cycle and an example from Danielle Dyrda

Those People: You Know How 'They' Are

Ana's reflection

10:00 a.m. Break

10:20ish to 11:30

What is culture?

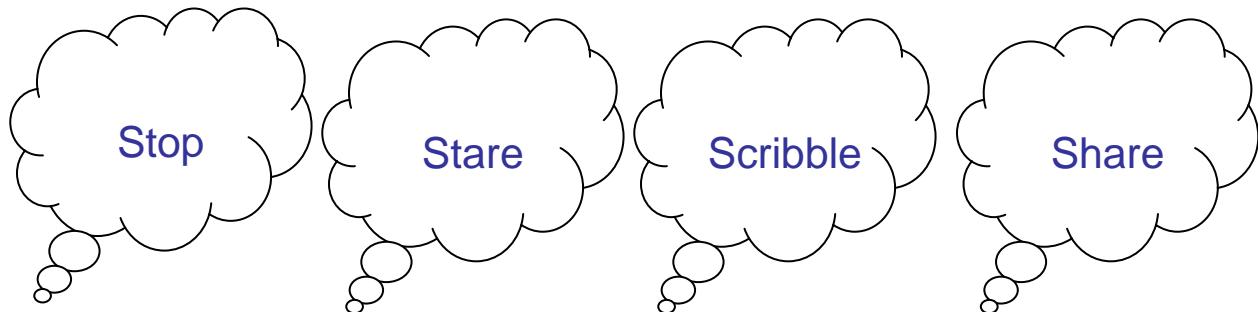
Culture and Language

For example, the word "bilingual"

Bicultural Ambivalence

Jim Cummins' Threshold Hypothesis

Heritage language



11:25 a.m.

Conclusion

Play is the work of children.

A Head Taller Than Our Current Selves

~Vygotsky