

Glossary

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Funds of Knowledge

A student's funds of knowledge might include: academic and personal background knowledge; accumulated life experiences; skills and knowledge used to navigate everyday social contexts; and world views structured by broader historically and politically influenced social forces.

Making Meaning

Teachers using a variety of approaches to draw on "students' familiar, local contexts of experience" (Dalton & Tharp, 2002).

Minoritization

We use 'minoritized' instead of 'minority' to highlight that children and families of color often do not have access to equitable opportunity even when they comprise the numerical majority within their communities. Their cultural ways of being remain excluded and relegated to an underprivileged status.

Monolithic Culture

Monolithic means solid, massive, uniform; a monolithic culture is rigid and homogenous at the expense of subcultures, like Detroit's economy when it depended entirely on the auto industry.



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