## BILITERACY DEVELOPMENIIN DUAL LANGUAGE EDUCATION: STRENGTHENING BRIDGES BETWEEN LANGUAGES <br> 

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# Teaching for <br> Biliteracy 

Strengthening Bridges Between Languages

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Socio-linguistic premises for teaching for biliteracy describe and address...

- The stratification of language in society
- A holistic, multilingual view of bilingual learners
- Contrastive analysis between languages



## The first premise addresses the stratification of language in society

Spanish is a minority language within a majority culture.


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## Spanish is a minority language within a majority culture.

## This is evidenced by....

# Conserje CUSTODIAL 

Why in the Hell should I have to press " 1 " for English?

# The second premise describes a holistic, multilingual view of bilingual learners 

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## Simultaneous Bilinguals

$\square$ Two-thirds of ELLs currently in the US were born here and are simultaneous bilinguals whose knowledge is shared across their languages (Education Week, 2009).
$\square$ All bilingual learners use all their linguistic resources when learning literacy and content.

| Cambio de <br> códigos | Préstamo <br> léxico | Extensión | Regionalismo | Arcaísmo |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fui a una <br> party.. | lonche <br> broder <br> socatines | firmar <br> para | parquear <br> aparcar <br> coger <br> pinche | pos <br> asina |
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## Students use both their languages to develop literacy.

Biliteracy requires the strategic use of both languages...


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# The third premise addresses the contrastive analysis between languages 

## Both Spanish and English are governed by distinct linguistic and cultural rules.

Wash Care : machine wash cold with like colors, gentle cycle.do not bleach. tumble dry low, remove promptly. warm iron if needed

Lavar cuidado :
maquina Lavar resfriado con parejo coloracion, dulce ciclo, hacer non blanquear, caída secar bajo, alejar ayunar, caliente planchar cuándo necesidad.

## Contrastive analysis between <br> languages

$\square$ The third space - the Bridge
$\square$ The Bridge is...
$\square$ Pre-planned
$\square$ Making cross-linguistic connections
$\square$ A focus on metalinguistic analysis
-phonology
-morphology
■syntax and grammar
pragmatics (language wsage)

## Sample Bridge artifacts - not translations


el animal animal la investiga (cion) investigation aprendí |learned alimento
la protection lazar




| personas | people |
| :--- | :--- |
| mamá | mama mon |
| policía | police |
| papá | papa |
| soldados | soldiers |
| adulto | adult |
| familía | family |
| miembros | members |
| bebé <br> barliy <br> aden | Artista |
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## Teaching for Biliteracy in the United States is unique because...

$\square$ Spanish is a minority language within a majority culture.
$\square$ Students use both their languages to develop literacy.
$\square$ Both Spanish and English are governed by distinct linguistic and cultural rules.

## Teaching for biliteracy...

- Begins with a highly comprehensible, concrete and interactive activity focused on preparing students to comprehend text
- Integrates content and literacy instruction
- Includes strategies to support comprehension throughout the unit
- Bridges to the other language


## THANK YOU!



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