

# Session 1: Translanguaging Pedagogy in Language Education

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## Session #1: Translanguaging Pedagogy



## Session #2: AI and Language Teaching





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# Brainstorming task: The role of other languages in the English classroom?





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- To what extent should an English teacher maintain 100% target language in the classroom?
- What is the role of national language or local language in the English classroom?





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Sayer-Santiago Family

*Canadian English*  
*Danish*  
*Mexican Spanish*  
*Spanglish*  
*Mixteco*  
*Filipino???*



*Me and my mum, 1973*





# **My personal language map**

- Languages in my life
- Task: Make a visual representation of the language in your life
  - What languages have you learned?
  - What languages do you use with whom? And in what situations?
  - Do you use different dialects or varieties of language? Why and when?





# Recommendation #1: Create a language profile of your classroom

- Younger students:
  - Use Flip or WhatsApp to record a video about languages in their family
  - Interview their grandparents about languages
- Older students:
  - Create an ethnolinguistic profile of their family





# Translanguaging Pedagogy

- How can we connect teaching English to the lived experiences of our students?
- How can we use our students' language backgrounds as a source for learning English?





# **Translanguaging Pedagogy**

## **Traditional pedagogy**

- Student's L1 as a problem or barrier
- Deficit view

## **Translanguaging pedagogy**

- L1 as a resource
- Asset-based view





# Translanguaging: KWL chart

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

K What I Know	W What I Wonder	L What I Learned
<div>L1 as resource</div> <div>Asset-based view</div>	<div>Is it OK for the teacher to mix languages?</div>	



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KWL Chart: A type of graphic organizer to help introduce a new topic





# The role of the L1 in language teaching

- The L2 teacher's job is maximize input in the target language
- Create a “target language zone”
- Minimize or eliminate the use of the L1
- L1 seen as a source of interference





# SLA Theory: Assumptions about using L1 in L2 teaching

- SLA is focused on interlanguage development
- Interlanguage = L2 learner's developing L2 linguistic system
- Features of L1 + L2 + universal grammar
- Indicates incomplete acquisition
- L1 is a barrier to L2 learning = “interference” or “negative transfer”
- Second language classroom: Avoid L1, maximize input in the L2





# Bilingualism is not two wheels on a bicycle!

- A multilingual person's proficiency in their languages is complex
- It depends on context and purpose
- There is no perfect balanced bilingual



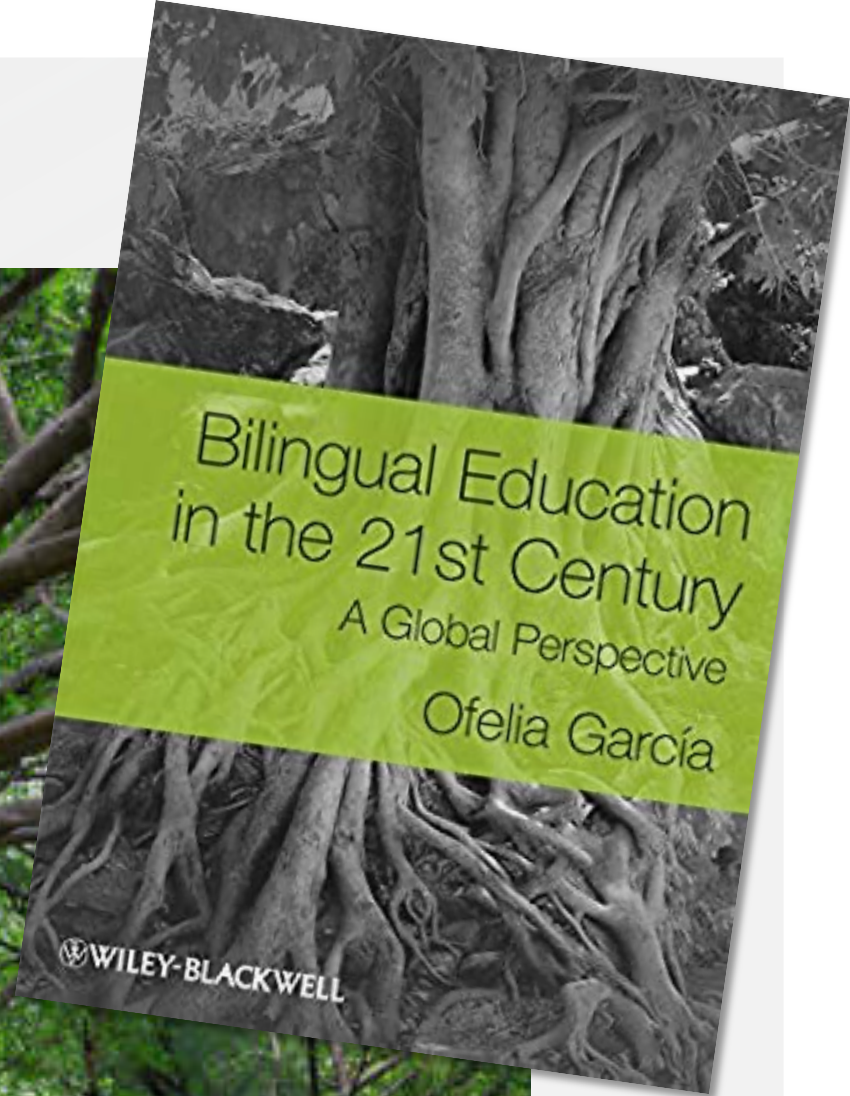
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Etc...														

Figure 1.2 Complexity of bilingual language proficiency





Ofelia García: The banyan tree as a metaphor of bilingualism





# **Rethinking the role of L1 in L2 classrooms**

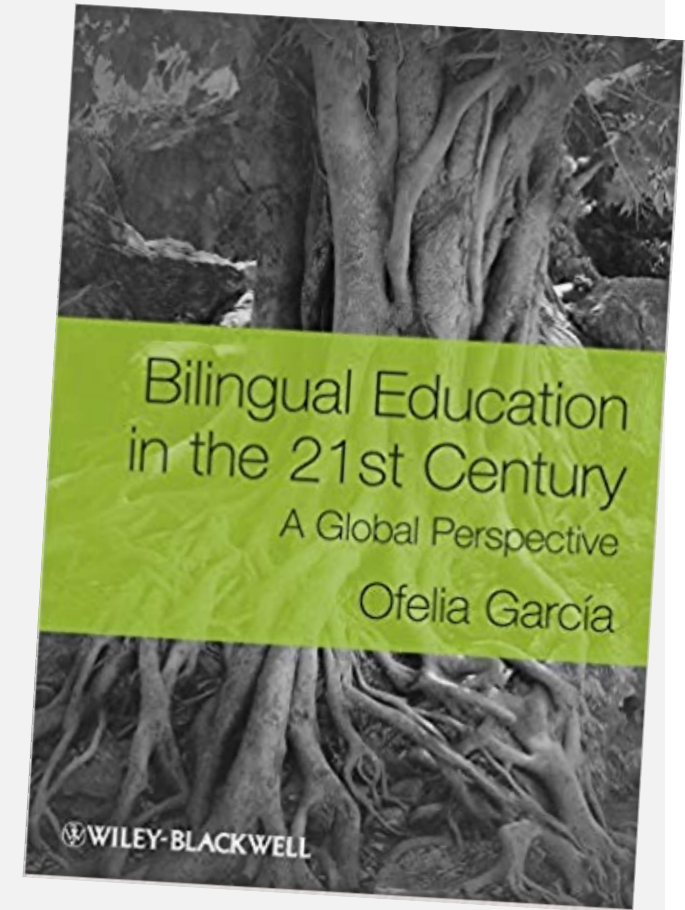
- The goal of language teaching is for students to become multilingual
- How should the use of languages be organized in language classrooms?
- What types of multilingual practices support language learning?





# Translanguaging: Definition

*Translanguaging refers to the multiple discursive practices in which bilinguals engage based on their full linguistic repertoire in order to make sense of their bilingual worlds.*

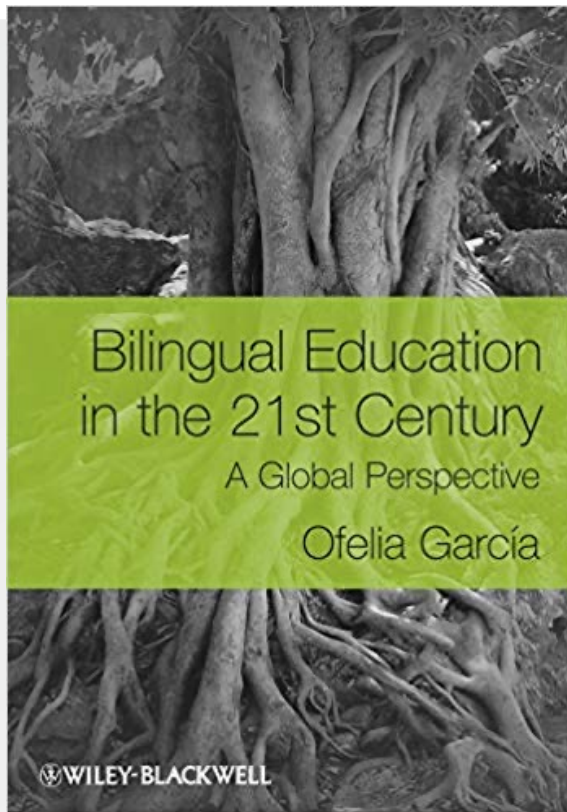




# Translanguaging: Background

- Origin: As a bilingual teaching strategy in Wales (Williams, 1994)
- Purpose: Language revitalization of a minority language Welsh
- Development: As an approach to bilingual education in the United States (Garcia, 2009)
- Purpose: For bilingual programs for minority students, particularly Latino students of immigrant families





García (2009)

## Translanguaging in the Bilingual Classroom: A Pedagogy for Learning and Teaching?

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This article reports on research that questions commonsense understandings of a bilingual pedagogy predicated on what Cummins (2005, 2008) refers to as the "two solitudes" assumption (2008, p. 65). It sets out to describe a flexible bilingual approach to language teaching and learning in Chinese and Gujarati community language schools in the United Kingdom. We argue for a release from monolingual instructional approaches and advocate teaching bilingual children by means of bilingual instructional strategies, in which two or more languages are used alongside each other. In developing this argument, the article takes a language ecology perspective and seeks to describe the interdependence of skills and knowledge across languages.

CUMMINS (2008) DEFINED *BILINGUAL EDUCATION* as "the use of two (or more) languages of instruction at some point in a student's school career" (p. xii). García, Skutnabb-Kangas, and Torres-Guzmán (2006) referred to *multilingual schools* that "exert educational effort that takes into account and builds further on the diversity of languages and literacy practices that children and youth bring to school" (p. 14). This means going beyond acceptance or tolerance of children's languages, to "cultivation" of languages through their use for teaching and learning. Cummins referred to research (August & Shanahan, 2006; Genesee, Lindholm-Leary, Saunders, & Christian, 2006) that demonstrates that considerable confidence can be placed in the positive outcomes of bilingual education.

Bilingual classroom contexts are hugely varied, with multiple models and structures existing in

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different education systems across the world. In this article, we describe one particular model common in many nations with linguistic and cultural diversity, that of *complementary schools*, also known as *heritage language schools*, *supplementary schools*, and *community language schools*.<sup>1</sup> These schools are invariably established by community members and focus on language, culture, and heritage teaching. In the United Kingdom they are voluntarily run and outside the state sector of control. Since 2002, we have researched complementary schools and have investigated the language practices of their participants in Bengali, Chinese, Gujarati, and Turkish schools in Birmingham, Manchester, Leicester, and London, respectively (Creese, Barač, et al., 2008). The projects have aimed to explore the social, cultural, and linguistic significance of complementary schools both within their communities and in wider society and to investigate how linguistic practices of students and teachers in complementary schools are used to negotiate their multilingual and multicultural identities.

Creese & Blackledge (2010)  
*Modern Language Journal*



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Number of research articles on translanguaging  
in applied linguistics journals



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Translanguaging Pedagogy | Sayer



# Translanguaging: Premise

The multilingual turn in TESOL: ELT classrooms are multilingual spaces

Translanguaging offers an alternative to conventional, monolingual language teaching approach.

Translanguaging reflects the sociolinguistic reality of everyday language use



Bilingualism is a banyan tree, not a bicycle.  
A bilingual person is **not** a double monolingual.

# Varieties of Philippine English

## Occupational Englishes

- Yaya English
  - Bargirl English
  - Colegiala English
- (Bautista 1996)



## Hybrid Englishes

- Taglish
  - Conyo English
  - Hokaglish
- (Gonzalez 2017)





# Multilingualism and translanguaging in the community

Example of Conyo talk:

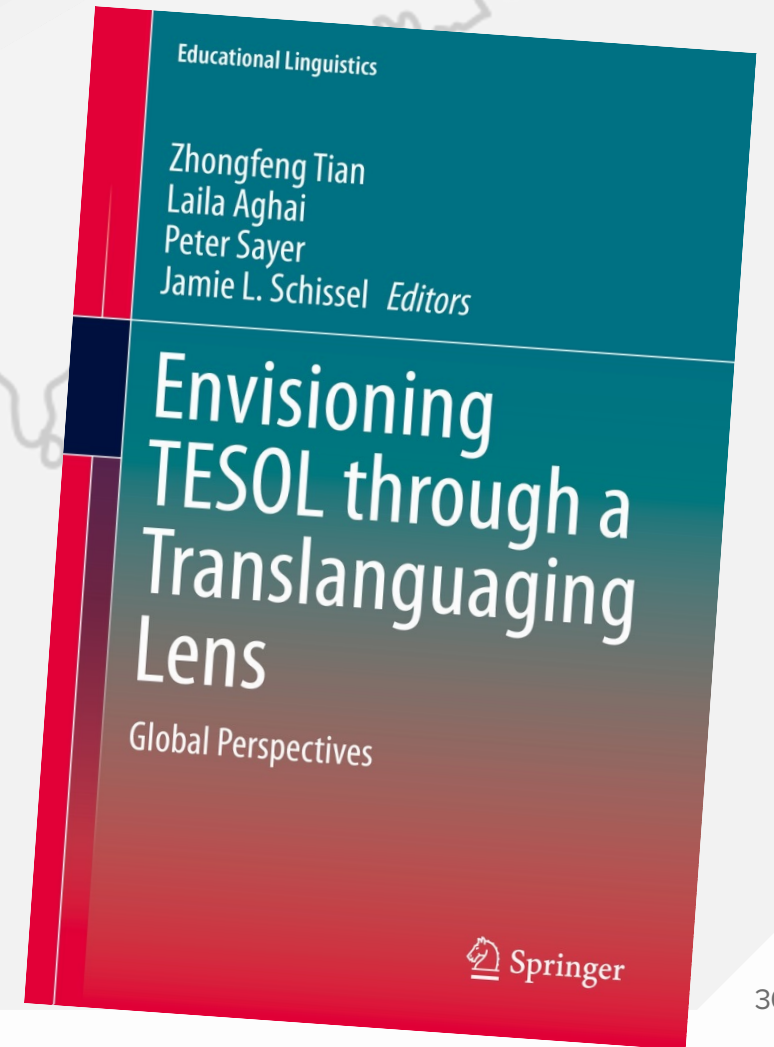
- "Let's make tusok-tusok the fish balls."  
(Let's pierce the fish balls with bamboo sticks.)
- "I'm so init na; make paypay me naman o."  
(I'm so hot; please fan me now.)
- "You make hintay here while I make sundo my kaibigan."  
(You wait here while I fetch my friend.)

(Odon, 2014)



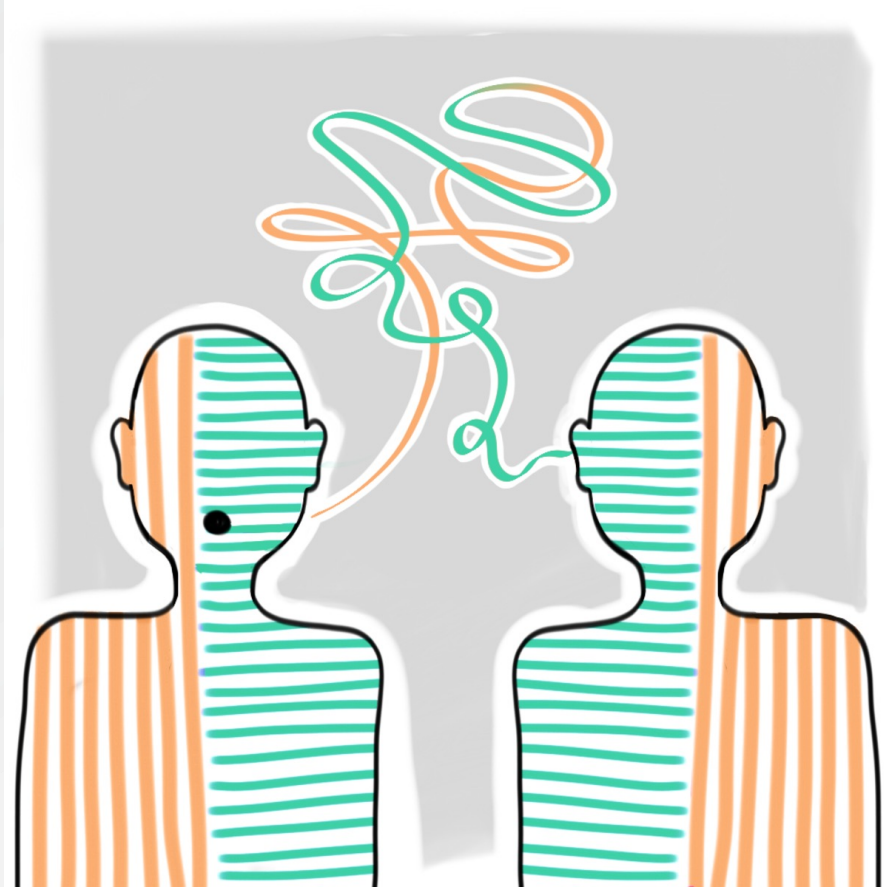
# Translanguaging and TESOL classrooms

- CLIL/CBI classrooms
  - Early childhood
  - Newcomer immigrants
  - Secondary EFL
  - IEP
  - Assessment
  - TBLT
- U.S. & Canada
  - Australia
  - Netherlands
  - Malawi
  - Costa Rica
  - Mexico
  - Vietnam





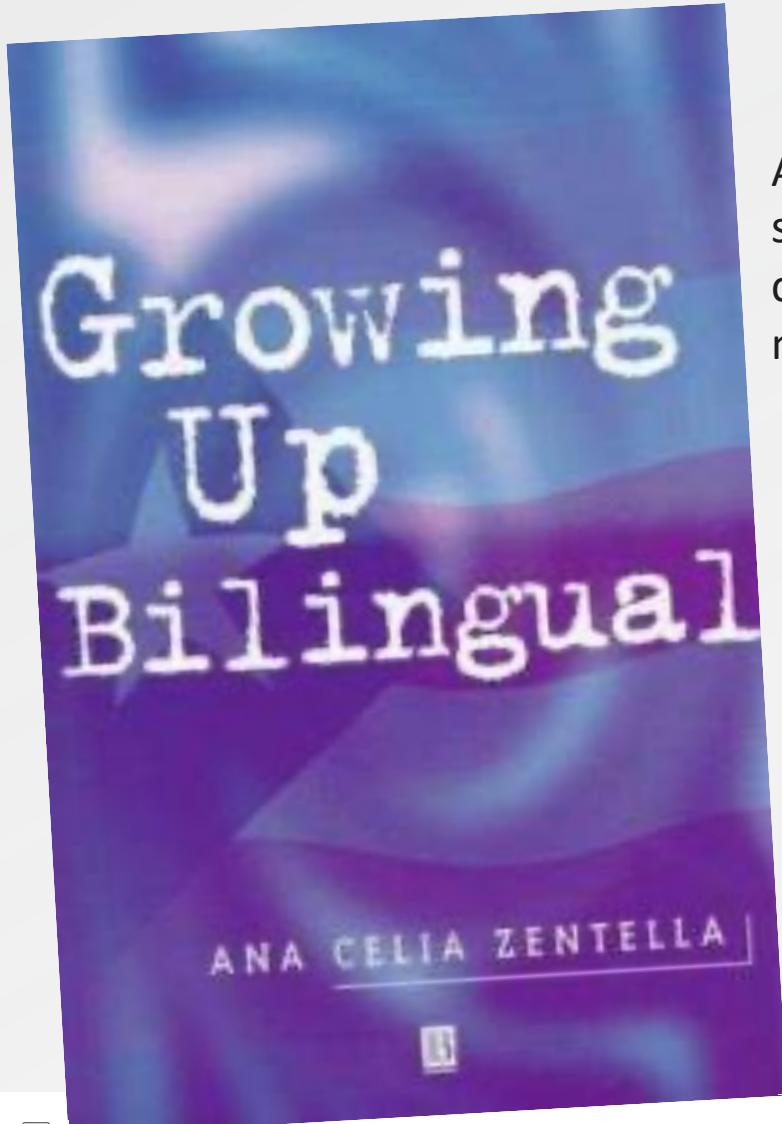
# **Isn't translanguaging just code-switching?**



*Yes... and no*

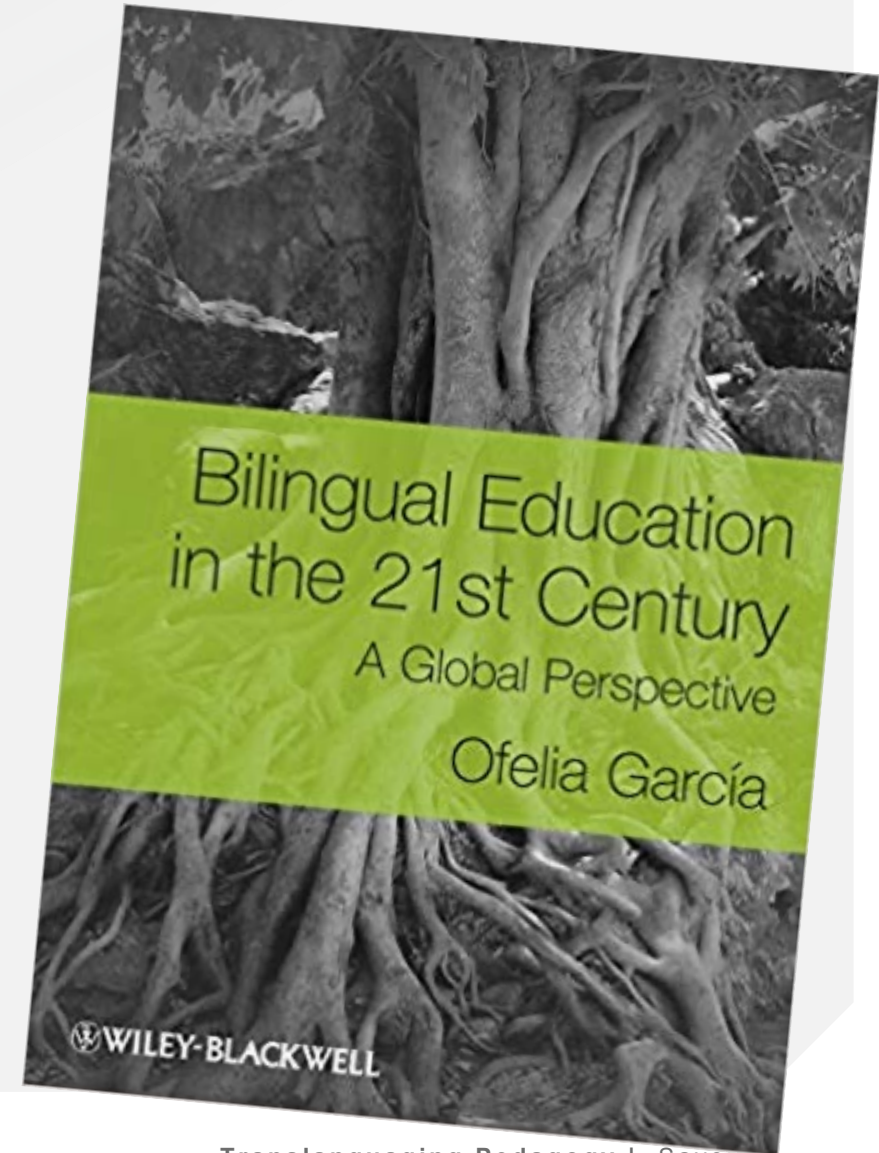


# From code-switching to translanguaging



Ana Celia Zentella's (1997) seminal study of Nuyorican bilinguals' code-switching in *El Bloque* neighborhood in New York City

Ofelia García's (2009) *Bilingual Education in the 21st Century* popularized the concept of translanguaging.





# Code-switching

Interaction between bilingual Lolita (8 years old), bilingual Timmy (5 years old), and a Spanish-dominant adult.

Lolita pushes Timmy off his bike:

*Lolita to Timmy:* **Get off, Timmy get off!**

*Timmy to adult:* ¡Ella me dió! [she hit me!]

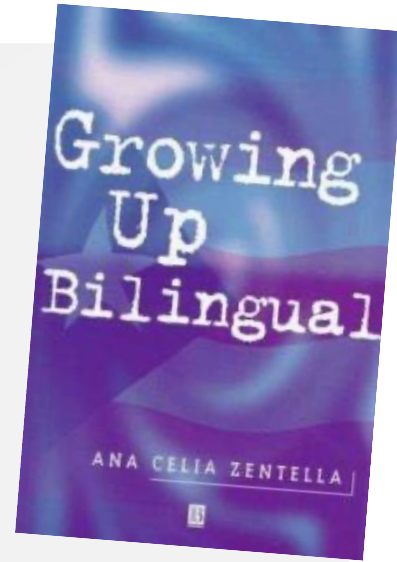
*Lolita to Timmy:* ¡Porque TÚ me diste! [because YOU hit me!]

*Timmy to Lolita:* **Liar!**

*Adult to Lolita:* ¿Por qué---? [Why---?]

*Lolita to adult:* **Porque él me dió por eso. Él siempre me está dando cuando me ve.** [Because he hit me, that's why. He's always hitting me when he sees me]

(Zentella, 1997)



# Code-switching

Want to help me make  
un castillo?

¡Sí! Let's make a castle  
grande!



Neither of these kids have DLD. Code-switching  
is a normal part of being bilingual.





# **Early code-switching research**

## **Debunking myths about code-switching**

- Code-switching is systematic (just like any other language variety)
- Code-switching has its own grammar which all bilinguals internalize and “know”
- Fluent code-switching requires a high degree of bilingualism
- The most balanced bilinguals are also the most prolific code-switchers
- Purpose of legitimizing stigmatized language forms, e.g. mixed code vernacular
- Code-switching does important social work
- Code-switching offers pedagogical advantages to teachers and students in classrooms





Language  
Mixing

Code-  
Switching

Translanguaging

Focus on linguistic aspects,  
language boundaries

Focus on language practices,  
meaning making, language  
resources, identities





# What does translinguaging in the classroom look like in practice?

CONTEXT  
MATTERS



# El Westside, San Antonio, Texas USA



“Paseo por el Westside” neighborhood event, May 2010

Photo: Esperanza Peace & Justice Center





# El Westside, San Antonio, Texas USA



Mexican barrio  
Westside, San Antonio  
Source: top, UTSA archive  
bottom, Marquez et al (2007)





# El Westside, San Antonio





# Using a translanguaging lens to understand classrooms

## Very limited Spanish use in school:

- Some Spanish
  - Front office, secretaries
  - Library
  - Entrances, notices for parents
- No Spanish
  - Hallways, signs and posters (only 1 in Spanish)
  - Cafeteria
  - PA announcements
  - Computer lab
  - Counselor
  - PE class
  - Special school events (geography bee, bike competition)





# All About

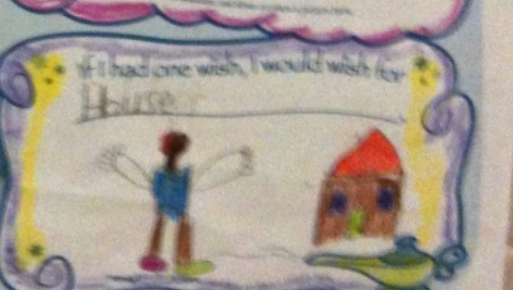
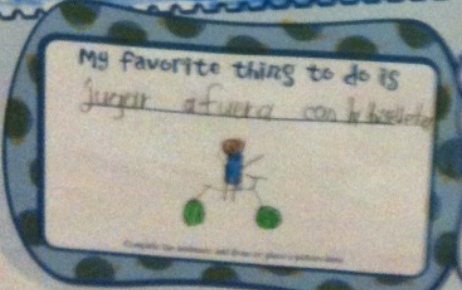
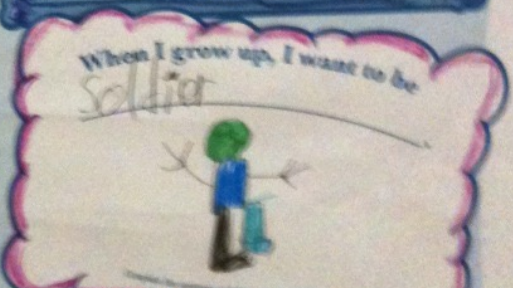
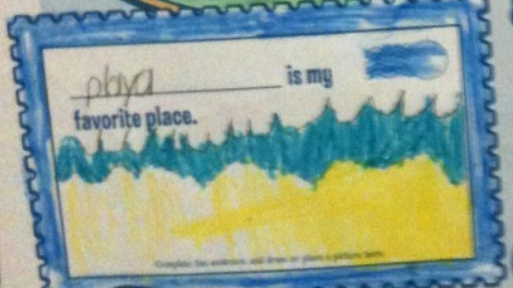
## Juan

I am 8 years old.

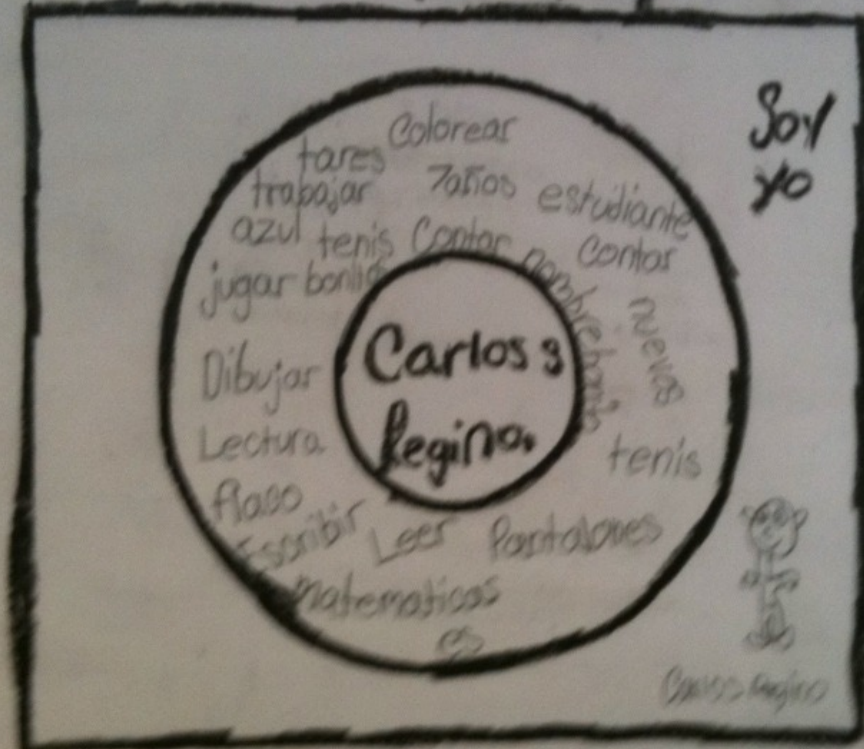
My favorite color is blue.

My favorite animal is dog.

My favorite food is macarones.



# The Circle Map





## Recommendation #2: Pay close attention to how your students use language in the classroom

2<sup>nd</sup> grade science lesson. Students are labelling a diagram of a spider. Jacky is talking about spider's egg sac:

1. Lo que yo no entiendo es porque sale en un puffy little thing así que cargan arriba this little puffy thing.

*(What I don't understand is why it comes it in a puffy little thing like that carrying above it this little puffy thing.)*

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# Translanguaging as meaning-making

How can students leverage their bilingual vernacular to mediate their learning of standard language (English and Spanish) and academic content?



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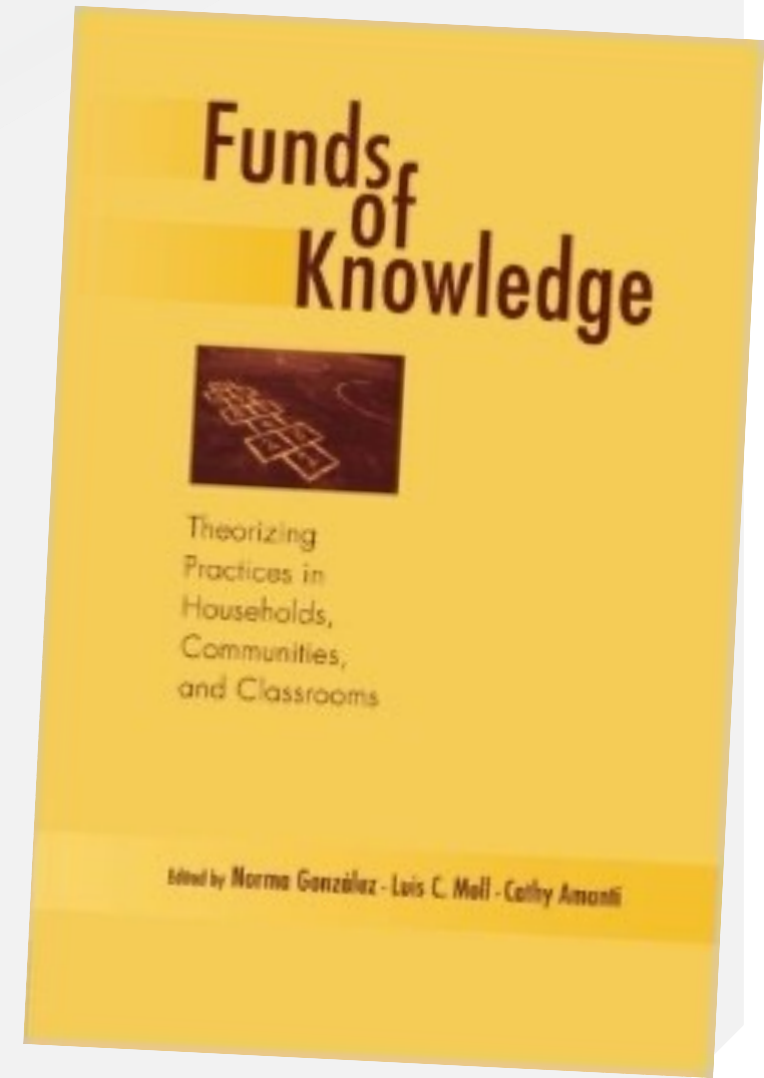
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The student is expressing her  
idea through her linguistic  
**funds of knowledge**



# **Funds of knowledge**

The knowledge and skills that children bring to school based on their everyday experiences, culture, and language of their families and communities.





# Funds of Knowledge: Example 1



Nombre: \_\_\_\_\_ Curso: \_\_\_\_\_ Fecha: \_\_\_\_\_

Fracciones equivalentes

¿Correcto o incorrecto?

$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4}$        $\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{6}{8}$

$\frac{3}{5} \bigcirc \frac{9}{15}$        $\frac{5}{6} \bigcirc \frac{25}{30}$

$\frac{4}{21} \bigcirc \frac{1}{7}$        $\frac{9}{12} \bigcirc \frac{7}{23}$

$\frac{2}{7} \bigcirc \frac{8}{28}$        $\frac{6}{18} \bigcirc \frac{3}{36}$

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$\frac{4}{9} \bigcirc \frac{20}{45}$        $\frac{7}{32} \bigcirc \frac{1}{8}$

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# Funds of Knowledge: Example 2





# Linguistic Funds of Knowledge

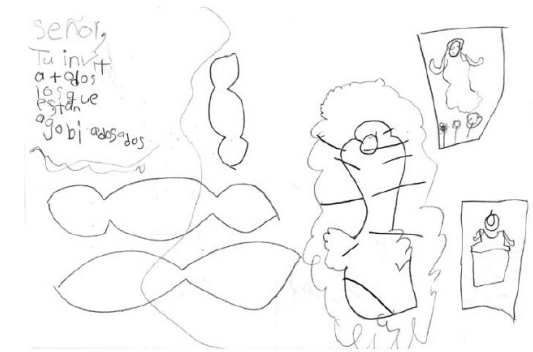
The language resources and practices that children bring to the classroom based on the ways of talking and using language and literacy in their homes and communities.



Figure 5. Dariana's Bilingual Prayer Book



a. Dariana's Cover for Bilingual Prayer Book



b. Dariana's Religious Text and Drawing

*Example 1: Bilingual kids playing Pokemon*

*Example 2: Young girl creates bilingual prayer book*

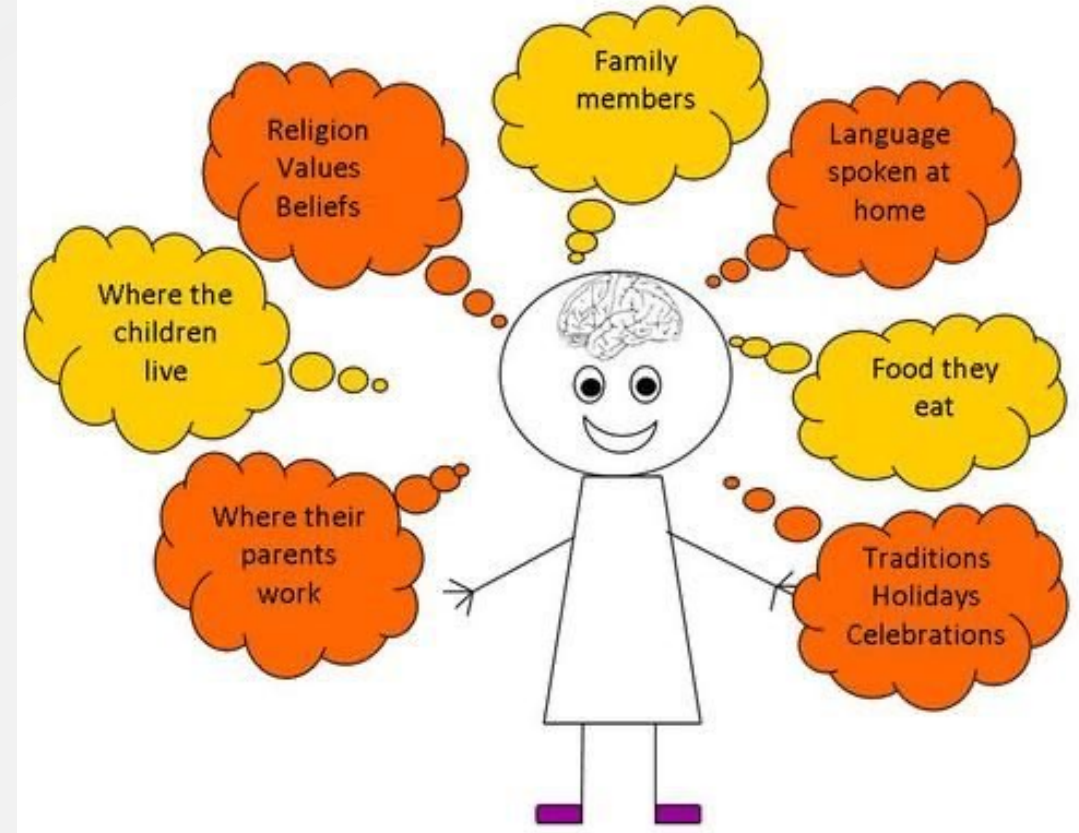


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# Recommendation #3: Learn about your students funds of knowledge

- Do activities in class where students share about their families
- Do a “picture walk” of the community to learn about how languages are used





Home language

Stance

Design

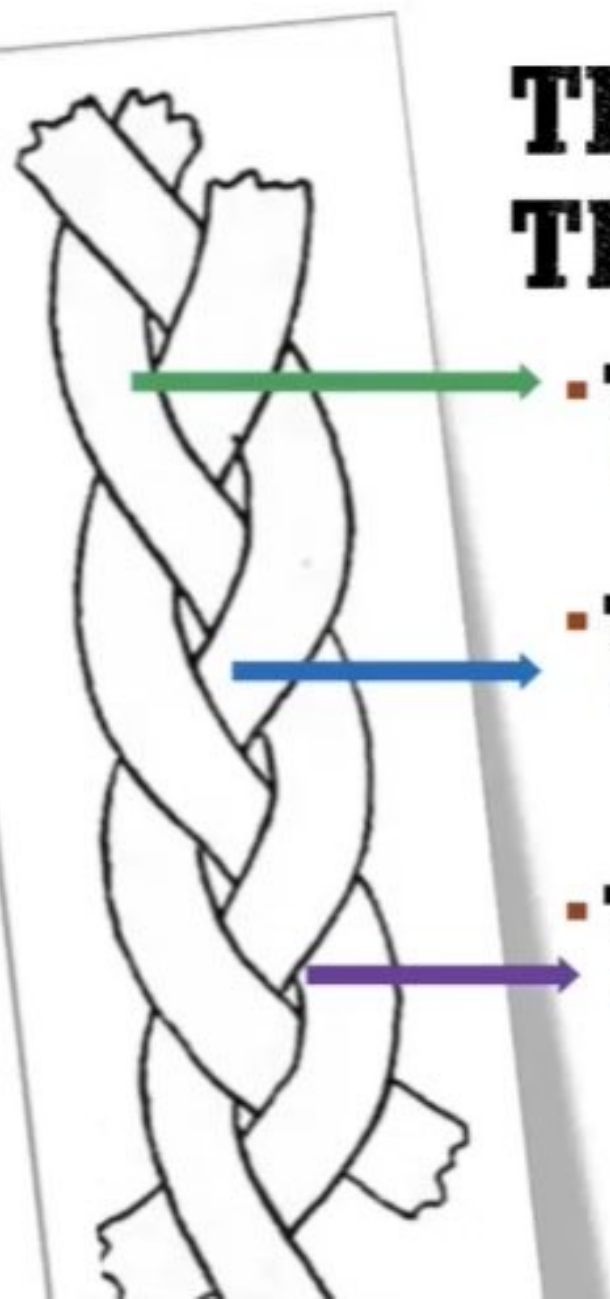
Shifts

Target language





# THE 3 STRANDS OF A TRANSLANGUAGING PEDAGOGY



## ■ Translanguaging **Stance**

- The ideological system/ set of beliefs that informs teachers' approach to teaching emergent bilinguals

## ■ Translanguaging **Design**

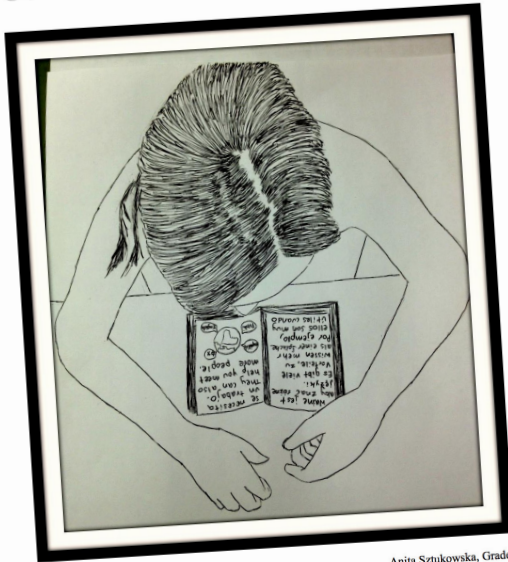
- Design of classroom space, instruction, & assessment that aligns with/emerges from a translanguaging stance & leverages the translanguaging corriente

## ■ Translanguaging **Shifts**

- Unplanned moves within a translanguaging design that respond to the corriente & to students' needs, interests, & connections



# TRANSLANGUAGING: A CUNY-NYSIEB GUIDE FOR EDUCATORS



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## A Multilingual Learning Environment

### Essential Questions

- How can we create a classroom and school environment that celebrates students' home languages and cultures?
- How can we raise ALL students' awareness of the different languages and scripts in their communities?

### Alignment with Common Core State Standards:

#### Language: Knowledge of Language: Standard 3

Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

*When you create a classroom or school landscape that reflects students' diverse linguistic backgrounds, you can discuss how languages function in different contexts.*

### What is it?

It's important to create classroom and school environments that represent, respect, and value all of your students – including your bilingual students. Setting up your learning environment to include students' home languages side-by-side with English recognizes linguistic diversity they bring to school, and helps *all* students become more aware of languages and scripts co-exist with English in their communities.

### Translanguaging How-To

1. **Think: What parts of my classroom environment could I make multilingual?** Consider how you can make your bilingual students' languages visible in the classroom, in a way that is manageable for you. You might think about:
  - **Oral English:** *When* do I use English orally for community building, the nuts and bolts of running the classroom? Would it be possible to use home language signals, transitions, songs, or greetings in addition to English?
  - **Written English:** *Where* do I have English written in the classroom? In those places, where would it make sense to create multilingual labels or displays?

### Some ways to make the classroom environment multilingual:

- **Greetings**  
Have bilingual students teach their classmates a greeting in their home language, practicing over several days until the class is able to use these multilingual greetings when entering the classroom.
- **Songs**  
If you use music during instruction (to transition from one activity to another during a morning routine, to connect to a content topic, at the end of the day, etc.) you can incorporate songs that have multilingual versions. You can substitute some of your English songs with home language songs that are translated in English. Have your bilingual students help the class learn the home language version of whatever songs you choose.
- **Transitions**  
Think about the signals you use with students to transition between activities. Do you use some sort of verbal signal? If so, talk with your bilingual students to see if they can help you say something similar in their home language, or use Google Translate (see sidebar).
- **Table names**  
Many classrooms give names to each table or group. These names can be multilingual, and bilingual students can be a part of the process of teaching their classmates how to say the table name in their home language. This is a good community building activity at the beginning of the year.
- **Rules and Routines charts**  
Many teachers display charts outlining class rules and routines.

## THE TRANSLANGUAGING CLASSROOM

Leveraging Student  
Bilingualism for  
Learning

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# What does translinguaging pedagogy look like in the classroom

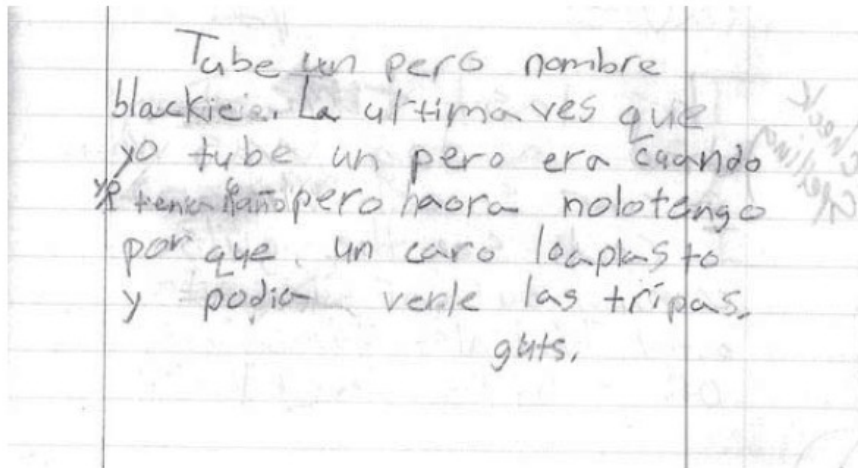


4<sup>th</sup> Grade EFL  
lesson in Central  
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# Translanguaging as pedagogy: L2 writing

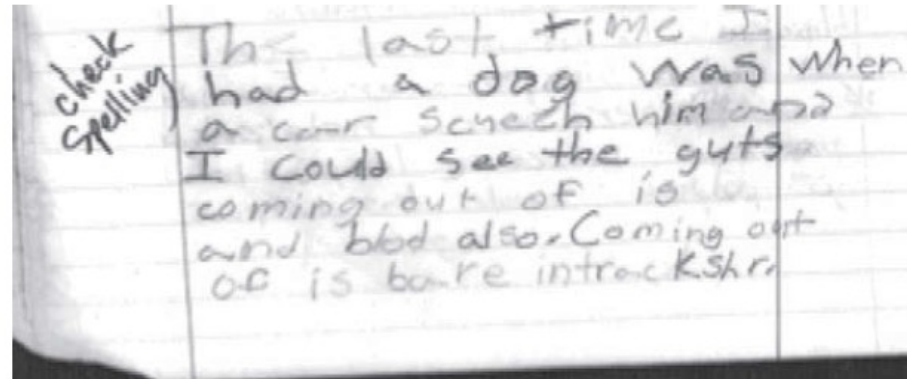


Transcription: *Tube un perro nombre blackie. La ultima ves que yo tube un pero era cuando yo tenia 6 ano pero haora nolo tengo porque un caro lo aplasto y podia verle las tripas.*

*guts*

[“I had a dog named Blackie. The last time I had a dog was when I was 6, but now I don’t have him because a car squashed him and I could see his guts.”]

FIGURE 2a First diary entry in “Spanish.” Anticipating the use of the word *guts*.



Transcription: “The last time I had a dog was when a car scuech him and I could see the guts coming out of is and blood aso. Coming out of is bare intrackshr.”

FIGURE 2b Second diary entry in “English.” Using the word *guts*.

*Use of student writing drafts to document how TL supports development of academic writing*

Velasco & Garcia, 2014: Translanguaging and the Writing of Bilingual Learners



# Translanguaging as pedagogy: CLIL

1	M:	Well(.)	
2		Tenemos que ir [a Google	(We have to go to Google)
3	E:	[Es como un gas	(It's like a gas)
4		So(.)=	
5	M:	=Tenemos que ir a Google(.)	(We have to go to Google)
6→		File(.) [Reading from monitor and directing Elsa by pointing at the monitor]	
7	E:	Ya voy a ir(.)	(I'm going now)
8		Va↑mos	(Let's go)
9	M:	Now we're gonna go(.)	
10→		Vamos a File(.) [Directing mouse as both look at computer monitor]	
11		Y luego vamos a ir(.)	(Let's go to 'File')
12→		New Window:(.) [Reading from monitor]	(And then we'll go to)
13		Luego(.)	(Then)
14	E:	Voy a ir(.)	(I'm going to go)
15		Google(.) [Reading from bookmarks bar on monitor]	
16		Voy a poner(.)	(I'm going to put)
17		E:l::m::n::to:: [narrating typing into search bar] (Element)	
18		Ne:on:	
19		'kay↑?	
20		Elemento neon(.) [repeating search bar entry] (Element neon)	
21	M:	And then you're gonna(.)	
22		Vas a poner:=(	(You're going to put)
23→	E:	=Images? [reading from website]	
24	M:	No(.)	
25		Um:(.)	
26	E:	(xxx)	
27	M:	Um:(.)	
28		Facts	
29		Fa::t::s [Melissa spells the word as Elsa types into the search bar]	
30	E:	So(.)	
31		Voy a poner	(I'm going to put)
32→		neon facts for kids(1) [Narrating while typing into the search bar]	
33		Ha(.)	
34→		I love neon (.) [Reading from Internet search results]	
35		That's hilarious	
36	M:	Okay(.)	
37		periodic table	
38→		Learn facts about neon [Reading from search results]	

*Use of interactional data to show how students use TL to co-construct understanding of scientific concepts while preparing a report*

Poza, 2014: The Language of *Ciencia*: Translanguaging and Learning in a Bilingual Science Classroom

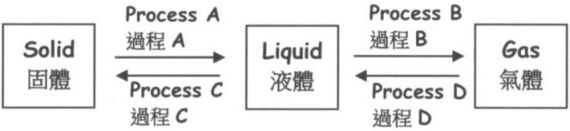


# Translanguaging as pedagogy

Lin, 2013: *Toward Paradigmatic Change in TESOL Methodologies: Building Plurilingual Pedagogies*



21. The following process shows the changes of states of matter. 以下過程顯示了物質之狀態轉變。 Mark



- (a) Which process(es) involve(s) the absorption of energy?  
哪些過程涉及能量被吸收？  
Process A and B / 過程 A 及 B 1,1
- (b) Which processes are involved in the following changes?  
以下之轉變涉及哪些過程？
- |   |                  |   |
|---|------------------|---|
| (i) Ice-cream melts.                      | Process A / 過程 A | 1 |
| (ii) Water boils.                         | Process B / 過程 B | 1 |
| (iii) Making of ice cubes in the freezer. | Process C / 過程 C | 1 |
| (iv) A pot of boiling soup.               | Process B / 過程 B | 1 |
- (c) Name the following processes.  
寫下以下過程的名稱。
- |                        |                   |   |
|------------------------|-------------------|---|
| (i) Process A / 過程 A   | melting / 熔解      | 1 |
| (ii) Process B / 過程 B  | boiling / 沸騰      | 1 |
| (iii) Process C / 過程 C | freezing / 凝固     | 1 |
| (iv) Process D / 過程 D  | condensation / 凝結 | 1 |
- (d) The temperature at which ice changes into water is called  
冰變水時的溫度稱為  
The melting point of ice. / 冰的熔點。 1
- (e) The temperature at which 'dry ice' turns into a gas is called  
「乾冰」變氣體時的過程稱為  
sublimation / 昇華 1

FIGURE 5b. Form 3 (Grade 9) chemistry assignment 1, page 5: Short bilingual questions  
(Credit: Mr. Cheung & Mr. Choo, 2008).

# How does translanguaging promote a multilingual TESOL?

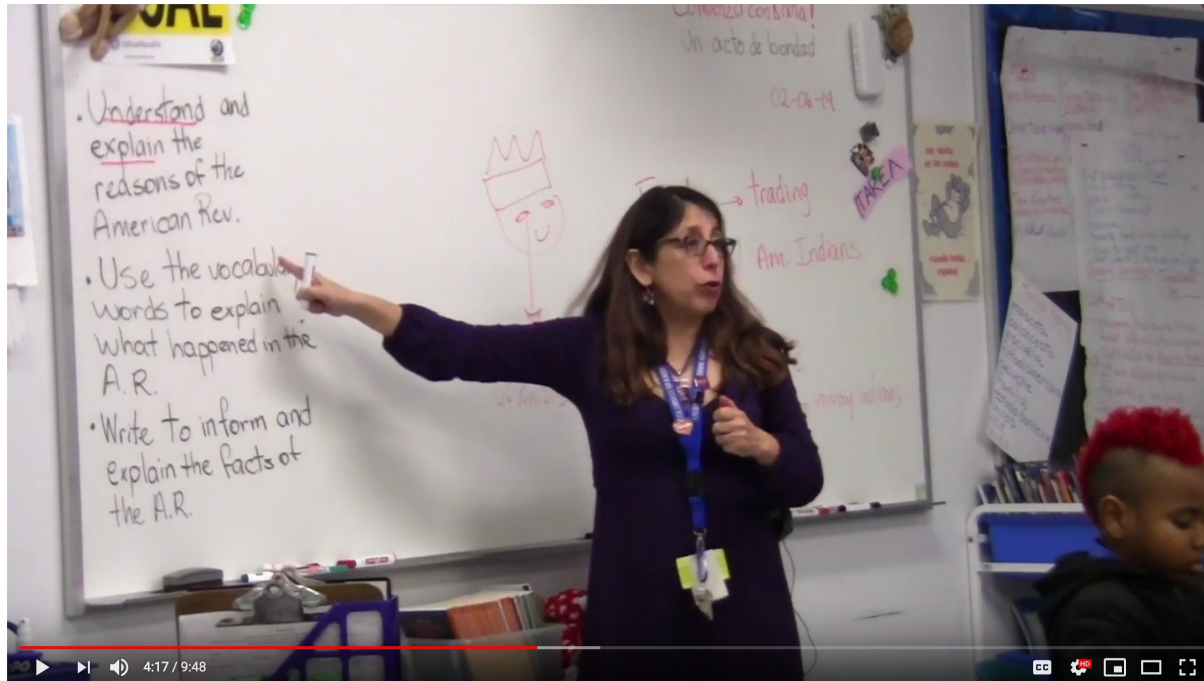
Practical problems:

- What types of multilingual practices support language learning?
- How should the use of languages be organized (or not!) in language classrooms?





# Translanguaging pedagogy



Sra Angles - 4th Gr Estudios Sociales Inquiry Chart 2

Unlisted

6 views

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**Peter Sayer**  
Uploaded on Feb 10, 2019

ANALYTICS EDIT VIDEO

GLAD Strategy: Inquiry Chart  
Content area: Social Studies (American Revolution)  
Sra Morales introduces the topic using an inquiry chart.  
SHOW MORE

Peer-coaching project  
using videos to  
demonstrate use of  
translanguaging

Sayer, et al (2019): The  
Senderos Project

Stance

Design

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# Pedagogical strategies

Cognates	
English	Spanish
animal	animal
coyote	coyote
elephant	elefante
giraffe	jirafa
gorilla	gorila
lion	león
crocodile	cocodrilo
hippopotamus	hipopótamo
insect	insecto
penguin	pinguino





# Translanguaging pedagogy in EFL



4<sup>th</sup> Grade EFL lesson in  
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# **Translanguaging pedagogy**

- **Three levels: Stance, Design, Shift**
- **Translanguaging pedagogy as disruption**
- **Translanguaging pedagogy as affirmation**





# Translanguaging as Disruption

- Adams-Corral & Sayer (2024-in press) analyzed 30 lessons with emergent bilingual students in Texas and Mexico
- Found that lessons where translanguaging spaces occurred were less regimented by the traditional classroom interactional structures such as IRE pattern



# Interactive structures in the classroom

An ESL reading lesson with 1<sup>st</sup> graders, Columbus Ohio:

01 T: What did you see that made you think the title of this book is *Bugs*, Ayana?

02 S1: 'Cuz it has a 'b'?

03 T: Of course! Right? And insects- what letter would insects have?

04 S1: 'b'

05 S2: 'n'

06 T: [acts shocked] Insects =wouldn't start with uh-

07 S2: = 'i'!

08 T: a 'b'. No, with an 'i' 'cuz it starts like 'in' right?

09 S1: When you have 'b' [ you have bugs

10 T: [ Well we have lots of other books

*Initiate (display question)*

*Response*

*Evaluation (preferred response)*

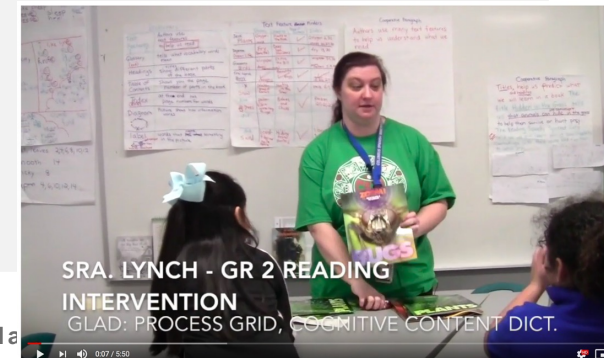
*S self-nominates, attempts to take the floor*

*T cuts off, directs attention to keep lesson moving*



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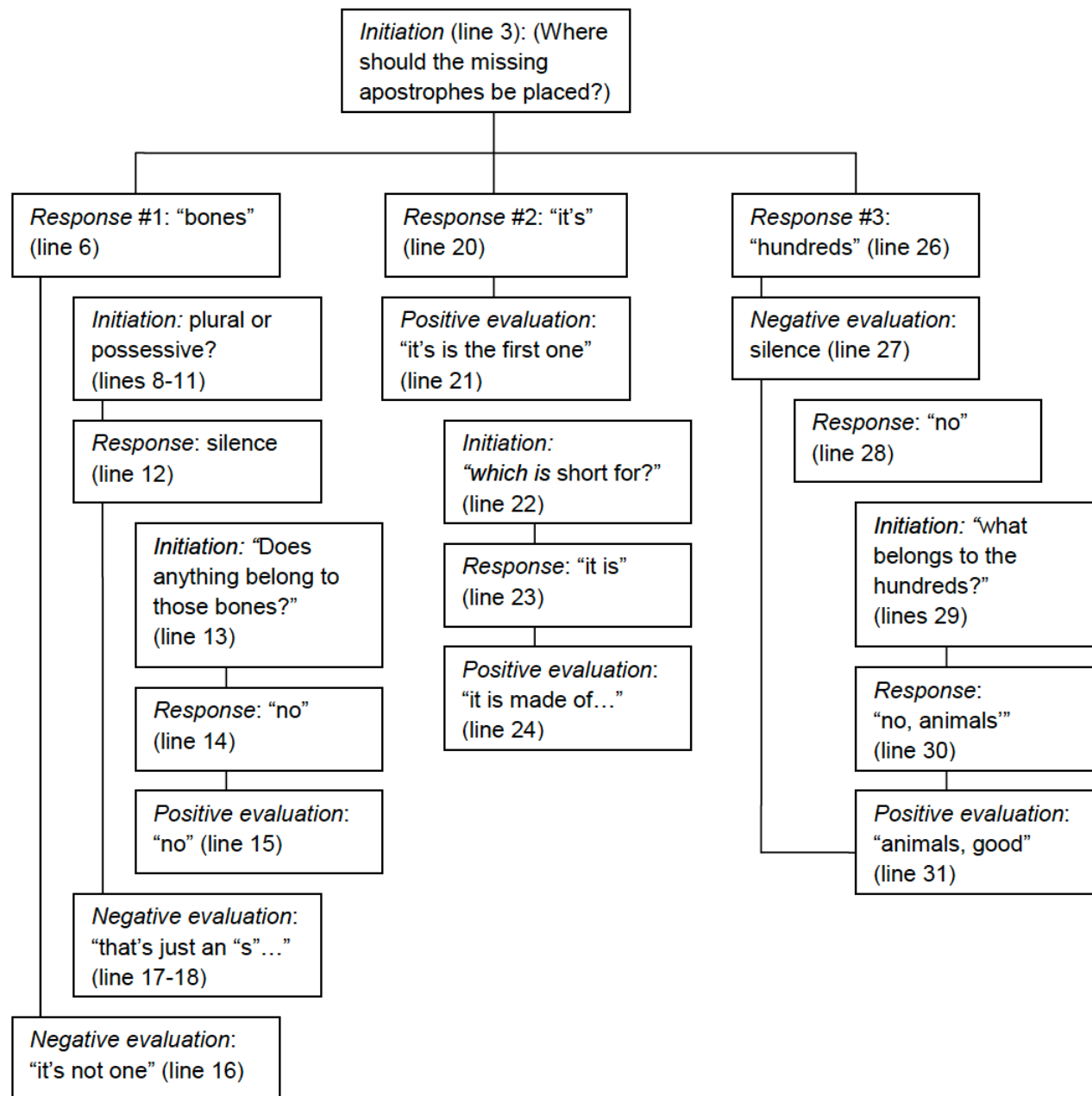


Figure 16.1: Schematic structure of Extract #1

# Translanguaging as Disruption

*Translanguaging corriente*: “A current in a body of water is not static; it runs a changeable course depending on features of the landscape. Likewise, the translanguaging corriente refers to the dynamic and continuous movement of language features that change the static linguistic landscape of the classroom.”  
(García, Ibarra Johnson & Seltzer, 2017)





# Translanguaging as Disruption

Translanguaging pedagogy is most effective when it evokes the *corriente*: the intentional transgression of the normative structures of classroom discourse. (Adams-Corral & Sayer, in press)



# Translanguaging Affirmation:

An Indonesian pre-service EFL teacher is doing a microteaching lesson. The T speaks in English (foreign language) and Javanese (local language), but others are from various backgrounds.

T: Okay, good. Then who's your favorite teacher? Why? Here you'll look back at your teachers who were in elementary school, junior high school. Masih ingat kan ya sarung? Remember your teachers, right?

S: Yes, sir, especially the very good ones.

T: Okay, good. So think about the teacher who was inspiring. Mungkin dulu pernah punya pengalaman pribadi [maybe you had a personal experience]. Let say, you were helped by your teacher when you could not do the task, that's why he was very inspiring for you or

something like that. And then the last question is, what does a good or great teacher look like? It can be from your experience, or it can be from books or information that you have read so far. For example, a good teacher must be kind, ora galak [not scary], kayak saya to [like me, yes?].

An EFL lesson as a translanguaging space where ethnolinguistic identities are shared and negotiated across multilingual and multicultural boundaries

...k to, hahaha [Really, Mr. Ardi?

...smiling] Teacher must smile all the time. Terus nanti dikira edan [but if you will be like a crazy person \*laughing]. Other example?

...k [who is listened and who can be

...ru. What is digugu lan ditiru? [who can be a role model]. Can you explain it? Not Javanese understand. That's a good way.

S: It's like the teacher can be a good role model for the students, jadi teladan untuk murid [as a role model for students]

T: Okay, good. (Iswandari, 2022)







# Translanguaging as Affirmation

The act of translanguaging creates a social space for the language user by bringing together different dimensions of their personal history, experience, and environment. (Li Wei, 2017, p. 23)



# Translanguaging as Affirmation

## Languages in my life



Sayer-Santiago Family



*Me and my  
mum, 1973*





# Translanguaging as Affirmation



# Translanguaging: KWL chart

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

K What I Know	W What I Wonder	L What I Learned
<div>L1 as resource</div> <div>Asset-based view</div>	<div>Is it OK for the teacher to mix languages?</div>	





# Conclusion and Key Concepts

1. Bilingualism is a banyan tree, not a bicycle. Students are not “double monolinguals”
2. English teachers should adopt a pedagogical approach that reflects the languages of the community
3. Using community language varieties = affirming students’ multilingual identities
4. Using students’ home languages as a resource = funds of knowledge
5. Therefore, teachers should use a flexible bilingual approach to teaching through translanguageing.





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