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Literacy is an important part of the education of bicultural and bilingual students, and literacy programs suitable to their cultural background will help empower them and grow in society. This article examines the literacy issues in public schools in the United States, and points out that current programs lack a meaningful cultural connection for bicultural and bilingual students. The pedagogical content of literacy programs must acknowledge bicultural and bilingual students' cultures so they can make connections while learning. To help these students acquire the necessary academic skills to succeed on high-stakes tests demanded by the No Child Left Behind Law, public schools must infuse home culture literacy as part of literacy programs and practices.

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