**Culturally Responsive Teaching**

The following quote was taken from the “Teaching Diverse Learners” page of the Brown University website:

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*Culture is central to learning. It plays a role not only in communicating and receiving information, but also in shaping the thinking process of groups and individuals. A pedagogy (teaching practice) that acknowledges, responds to, and celebrates fundamental cultures offers full, equitable access to education for students from all cultures.*

*Culturally Responsive Teaching is a pedagogy that recognizes the importance of including students' cultural references in all aspects of learning*[*(Ladson-Billings,1994).*](https://www.brown.edu/academics/education-alliance/teaching-diverse-learners/strategies-0/culturally-responsive-teaching-0#ladson-billings)

Describe an experience you have had, as a student in a classroom, with culturally responsive teaching. How did the teacher of that class acknowledge, respond to, and celebrate cultural diversity? You can describe an experience you have had this year, or in the past. How culturally diverse is the classroom in which you are working at Clark Elementary? Describe how the teacher you are currently working with as an elementary tutor has acknowledged, responded to, and celebrated cultural diversity.