

Core Principles of Literacy

- All people are capable of acquiring literacy.
- Literacy is a human right and is a fundamental part of the human experience.
- Literacy is not a trait that resides solely in the individual person. It requires and creates a connection (relationship) with others.
- Literacy includes communication, contact, and the expectation that interaction is possible for all individuals; literacy has the potential to lead to empowerment.
- Literacy is the collective responsibility of every individual in the community; that is, to develop meaning with all human modes of communication to transmit and receive information.

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