Forms of bilingualism and play across linguistic boundaries in dual language classrooms
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Reasons for being bilingual #1: "communicate with more people" (accommodate monolinguals)

- "would be good to speak Spanish with some of your friends that can speak Spanish"
- "if your friends say something in Spanish"
- "if you don't know any Spanish... and your friends don't know any umm English and they won't understand you"
- "if you're in trouble and they only know how to speak Spanish...

I can communicate with more people and it's just really fun to know what other people are saying so we can communicate with more people, and have more friends, and be able to have more experiences."  

Reasons for being bilingual #2: "get a good job" (opportunities through skills)

- "Because you get better jobs and you be able to communicate more with the world...
- "So we can communicate with more people, and have more friends, and be able to get better jobs.
- "Because English, you know Spanish you have to know English to have a job too.
- "Why are you learning in Spanish?"
- "So that we can learn a different language and there'll be more opportunities for jobs if you learn two languages"

Reasons for being bilingual #3: Speak to people/family in other countries

- "Cause we could connect with other countries that speak English--English and Spanish... if I speak only English and when I go to my where I was born, In Oaxaca, that would have been kind of hard...
- "Para cuando voy a Mexico (¿por qué?) Cuando hablo mis tios y mi abuelo puedo hablar espafol mas"
- "because then you can communicate with other people from different from like Spanish is spoken a lot in different countries so now you can go to the countries and understand it"
- "Pero, porque yo te gusta espanol porque puedes hacer, puedes vivir, no vir, va a Mexico o Spain y puedes espaezar con otras personas"

Reasons for being bilingual #4: Know "home language"

- "Why are you learning in English?"
- "So that we don’t. So that we can still get some of our home language. And we don’t always have to speak in Spanish"
- "Porque mi mamá sabe, nación en [ciudad], que está en España"
- "K-G2 just wants to know what her mom is saying to her sister in Spanish"

PARENT 1: "Porque no queremos que él pierda el español... Nosotros viajamos a México cada año, cada dos años... yo quiero que él viaje con nosotros. Porque a veces, cuando él está en casa, él no sabe españo..."

PARENT 2: "Si, lo quiero que habla español..."

Study Site: "La Paz Elementary"