Child Care	Ex: swaddling baby, giving baby pacifier
Friendship	Ex: visiting a friend's house
Family Entertainment	Ex: going to mall, playing video games
Household Care	Ex: going to laundromat, cooking
Education	Ex: going to library, doing homework
Travel	Ex: going to the beach
Popular TV Culture	Ex: watching Dora
Economics	Ex: looking at price tags
Occupations of Family	Ex: branding animals, office routine, construction
Scientific Knowledge	Ex: preparing for tornado
Family Values	Ex: drinking tea before bed, Three Kings Day







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Some Research Highlights

- Classroom practices sometimes underestimate and constrain what children are able to display intellectually.
- Families have abundant knowledge that schools should learn and use in their efforts to teach academic skills.
- Students bring with them "funds of knowledge" from their homes and communities.
- Teachers should focus on helping students find meaning in activities, rather than learn rules and facts.
- Group discussions around race and class should promote trust and encourage dialogue.

Examples of Families' Funds of Knowledge Child Care swaddling baby, giving baby pacifier **Occupation of Family Members** office work, making pottery, agriculture **Scientific Knowledge** preparing for tornado, visiting doctor's office **Family Entertainment** going to the mall, making art, **Family Values & Traditions** listening to music drinking tea before bed, Three Kings Day, drumming **Education** going to the library, school volunteer



