

Our society's leaders of all races and ethnicities must come together and respect each other's differences because we as individuals (especially the children) need to have harmony in our environment in order to find harmony within. The recognition of Mother Earth, and the importance we place on being part of the land, living in harmony with nature, the animals, and our spirits can be drawn upon in order for us to achieve this ever important goal of unity.

The problems that I have presented in this paper have helped me to understand some of the reasons I have difficulty in school. My hope is through this paper the reader can see that they are not islands but part of the human experience. I know by working with children like myself, that I have shown them it is possible to not buy into the established educational systems. We must recognize that educators are people, too; while they may make mistakes, we as Native Americans must accept accountability for our own actions and not blame educators for all of our problems.

Those of us with Native American heritage who have been labeled as learning disabled should reject that label and claim, instead, to learn differently. Learning differently is not bad, but very positive in a world that would have everyone fit into a nice square peg. We offer diversity, challenges, and possible solutions through old ways to new problems. The solutions are as complicated as the problems