ABSTRACT

The purpose of writing this paper is trying to convey a traditional culture to young generations who are almost ignorant their heritages. It is difficult for young people to follow their Chinese heritage. There is a gap between young people and their first generations, especially in a new land, for example America. Young generations are easily to interact with white Americans. They also get influences from western cultures either from media, internet, films group bands etc.

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Children may quickly acquire the English language and adopt Western ways of thinking and behaving, while their parents tend to maintain traditional Chinese values and language.

The need is to understand and accept or at least tolerate with whom you are dealing with. People with open minds can recognize and appreciate the benefits of cultural diversity. Understanding, respect and acceptance of cultural diversity are the best guarantee for minimizing cultural conflict.
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