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Abstract

The literature that African-American children read has the power to transform their vision of themselves and their culture. According to a report issued by the National Black Child Development Institute (1991), "Children's books that present accurate and realistic images of Black people and our culture are a major vehicle for generating high self-esteem and a positive self-concept in Black children" (p. 5).

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