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**Literacy Initiative Writing Prompt 2**

The United States has been known for centuries as “the melting pot,” that provides new opportunities for all despite social class, race, gender, and ethnicity. As of late, the terminology has been altered. The “Land of the Free” is now known as “the salad bowl,” insinuating that while our country may be filled with a variety of cultures, these cultures may not be intertwining. Due to the influx of immigrants into the United States and the ever-decreasing size of our world, due to globalization, many people feel it is imperative to learn another language.

Read the provided sources carefully. Then write an essay in which you defend or challenge that learning a foreign language should be a graduation requirement for all American high school students. Support your response with textual evidence and inferences drawn from two of the sources.

You will have 50 minutes to develop your essay by providing evidence from two of the texts. Do not merely summarize the sources. Be sure to follow the conventions of standard English.

**Pre-Writing**

**Source A: “Why Bilingual Education is Good for Children”**

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| Advantages of Bilingual / Foreign Language Education | Disadvantages of Bilingual / Foreign Language Education |

**Source B: “Pros and Cons of Bilingual Education”**

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| Advantages of Bilingual / Foreign Language Education | Disadvantages of Bilingual / Foreign Language Education |

**Source C: “Bilingual Education: Why Starting Early is Important”**

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**Source D: “Six Potential Brain Benefits of Bilingual Education”**

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