

## Dora the Explorer

Just For Fun Rating (0-5): □□□

Age Range: 2-6+ years

Diversity Themes: Race/Ethnicity; Linguistic Differences; Gender

### Potential Questions/Comments/Activities:

1. What do you think of Dora's clothes? Would you wear the same thing if you were going on an adventure or something different?
2. Repeat the Spanish words that Dora is saying - helping your child to understand and translate. Encourage them to do it on their own if they are older.
3. Use Dora to learn more about the Spanish language and Hispanic culture.
  - a. Pick a Spanish language dominant country to learn about.
  - b. Visit a Hispanic/Latino cultural center in your area
  - c. Find a penpal in a Spanish-speaking country for your child

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### Continuing the Conversation

How do you think you and your family would view Dora if she were not Hispanic? How about Caucasian, Asian, or African-American? How do you think society would feel about a little African-American girl going around having 'adventures'? Would it be viewed differently or the same? Nickelodeon recently came out with a new version of Dora. What do you think about this new, more grown-up, more feminized version of Dora? Did you like the new Dora? Why or why not? What about your child? Does (s)he prefer the old Dora or the new one?

