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Directions: Funds of Knowledge refers to an asset-based approach to bringing each student’s background, culture, and lived experiences into classroom practices to enhance academic progress. Use this inventory to collect information about your students’ funds of knowledge. Then, use the planning worksheet to guide your unit planning and lesson development.

FUNDS OF KNOWLEDGE INVENTORY	
Home Languages	e.g., Arabic, Chinese, Spanish
Family Values and Traditions	e.g., religious beliefs, work ethics, holidays
Caregiving	e.g., elderly care, parenting styles, sibling care
Friends and Family	e.g., special meals, visiting relatives
Household Chores and Repairs	e.g., sewing, mopping, AC repair
Cooking	e.g., who cooks, traditional meals, agriculture

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Entertainment	e.g., dancing, movies, sports
Sports	e.g., soccer, basketball, swimming
Family Occupations	e.g., automobile repair, construction, dentistry
Additional Funds of Knowledge	e.g., technology usage, unique skills

FUNDS OF KNOWLEDGE PLANNING WORKSHEET

Home/Community Practice	Classroom Application