

# Child of the americas creative writing example

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Having read Aurora Levines Morales' poem Child of the Americas, has brought a new aspect to light: that of being multi-lingual and therefore having a multicultural heritage. Having a multicultural heritage means that she can retain the best of what a particular country has to offer and discard what she dislikes.

The child of the Americas is partly American and partly Caribbean and yet is considered to be a US Puerto Rican Jew. She is a mixture of Spanish and American and speaks Spanglish. She is neither European nor American and sees herself as a whole new specimen of a new generation with new beginnings. Whereas before to me, a multicultural person was a person who was neither here nor there, now through this poem, I can understand where these people are coming from and how proud they are to be American and yet to retain their natural heritage.

I am a child of Malta,

### **A product of many nations,**

I am Maltese, Italian, English, French, Arab.

### **All these have passed through my island,**

All of them have left their mark.

All have left language and heritage behind on our island.

I speak English with a passion; it is my mother tongue,

### **A language I was brought up with.**

I am Maltese, island grown, Malta is a part of me,

I act Maltese, I sometimes speak Maltese:

## **The language of many cultures,**

The language of gesticulations.

I am Maltese but I speak English:

I speak from my soul.

I am not English.

I was never English.

I am not Anne.

I am Anna.

I speak in English.

## **But England is not my home.**

I am part of a past generation. My first language is English.

I was born in Malta.

## **Which is my mother tongue?**

English or Maltese?