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Bilingualism for families living abroad

How to bring up your children bilingually?



THE PARENTS' ROLE IN BILINGUAL LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

BILINGUALISM BRINGS YOUR CHILD MANY BENEFITS

First of all it strengthens the emotional bond between the child and his parents and other family members like grandparents. Secondly it allows for solid identity and integrity. Bilingualism also creates strong roots that your child will never have to search for in the future. In addition it offers a series of cognitive advantages like more efficient processing of information, greater creativity, better sensitivity in communication and a more analytical approach to language. And last but not least it makes learning of subsequent languages much easier!

- ◆ Research, carefully choose and consistently implement one language strategy
- ◆ Don't be afraid to adjust your strategy in response to a change in family situation
- ◆ Define clear boundaries between languages
- ◆ Balance stimulation in both languages (its quantity and quality)
- ◆ Instead of correcting errors model correct speech
- ◆ Provide many opportunities to use both languages
- ◆ In case of temporary rejection of one language maintain at least its passive knowledge to make the return to bilingualism possible
- ◆ Do not ignore speech delay or any speech disorder, using bilingualism as an excuse
- ◆ If in doubt, consult a child development specialist
- ◆ Always take particular care to support the minority language