



The Bilingual Home

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Will bilingualism cause a language delay in my child?
Should we adopt a “one parent-one language” approach?
Should we introduce English before preschool/kindergarten?
What is the best way to preserve native language as kids grow?

There are many benefits to being bilingual, including cognitive-linguistic and literacy skills. However, many parents whose native language is not English receive conflicting information about bilingualism and the best way to support children’s language development and the ongoing usage of a native language while living in a primarily English-speaking country.

Our guest speaker, Marahu George, M.A., CCC-SLP, grew up in a bilingual home in the U.S. with her first words being in Spanish. She will share the facts and fiction about raising a bilingual child and what that process will look like in your child in terms of their language acquisition and development depending on how language is used in your home. She is a member of the American Speech & Hearing Association and a pediatric specialist. Her message assures parents that they can preserve their native culture and language, and prepare their child for school!

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