

The Impact of Bilingual Education on Cognitive Development

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Abstract. This article explores the impact of bilingual education on cognitive development in children. By reviewing recent research findings, the study highlights the cognitive benefits associated with bilingualism, including enhanced executive function and problem-solving skills. The article discusses the implications for educational practices and the importance of supporting bilingual programs in schools to foster cognitive growth and academic success.

Keywords: bilingual education, cognitive development, bilingualism, executive function, academic success

Introduction

Bilingual education, the practice of teaching academic content in two languages, has been shown to have a profound impact on cognitive development in children. This article reviews the latest research on the cognitive benefits of bilingualism, focusing on areas such as executive function and problem-solving skills. By synthesizing findings from various studies, the article highlights the significant role bilingual education plays in fostering cognitive growth and academic success. It also discusses the importance of supporting bilingual programs in schools to maximize these benefits.

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