

Re: Reading depends on writing, in Chinese

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> Peter T. Daniels <grammatim@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
> news:42B0204C.68E3@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
>> Austin P. So (Hae Jin) wrote:
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>>> <http://www.pnas.org/cgi/content/abstract/102/24/8781?etoc>
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>>> Li Hai Tan *, John A. Spinks {dagger}, Guinevere F. Eden {ddagger},
>>> Charles A. Perfetti § and Wai Ting Siok *, ¶
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>>> Language development entails four fundamental and interactive abilities:
>>> listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Over the past four decades, a
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>>> No, it doesn't; reading and writing are strictly optional.
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>>> I'd say, even learning to speak is optional.
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>>> I grew up in a bilingual country where TV news used to
>>> be presented by a pair of reporters alternately reporting
>>> news items in their respective national languages; where
>>> the local cinema films in one of the two languages were
>>> never dubbed or subtitled.
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>>> I can perfectly understand both of these two languages but
>>> speak (let alone write) correctly only one of them.

You forgot to add that one of the languages was present in two variants, one only spoken and one mostly written (but, the TV reporters spoke the written variant), and the other language was more or less just a cover for many different dialects :-)

Yes, it has nothing to do with the thread topic.

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