

Re: How to prime kids to learn 3+ languages?

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On Wed, 03 Oct 2007 05:20:37 -0700, Peter T. Daniels wrote:

Linguistic anthropologists have described cultures in which no particular linguistic attention is paid to infants -- no "baby talk," no "motherese," no special praise for one's first words or first sentence -- and the kids master their language anyway. IIRC they were in Melanesia.

Barbara Lust in *_Child Language: Acquisition and Growth_* (Cambridge red series) mentions Guatemala.

BTW, on page 10 she writes, 'About mid-century, the linguist De Saussure, sought to separate "from the whole of the speech the part that belongs to language" (1959, 11).'

Artur

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Gridneff: So the point is to get the message across, without saying in so many words: You stupid fucking morons, you're learning fucking elf languages!

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