Bilingual Education: Teaching Tactics that Promote an Effective Education

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English Language Learners: How can we help them?

- English Language Learners across the nation are being left behind academically.
- Teachers should put more emphasis on vocabulary development.
- Teachers should use interactive writing instruction on ELL classrooms.
- Schools should introduce electronic devices in ELL classrooms.
- The Arts can help boost confidence.
- Translingualism should be a heavily promoted concept in classrooms across the US.

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How does a student benefit from a bilingual education?

- In most dual language programs, students achieve biliteracy by middle school.
- Bilingual education allows for gradual assimilation into the culture of the target language which opens new doors to music, art and popular culture.
- Individualized bilingual instruction (IBI) proved to be beneficial – students who had received IBI in school received higher scores on grammar and vocabulary tests in both instructional languages.