

RAISING BILINGUAL CHILDREN



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LEVELS OF FLUENCY

What level of fluency you would like your child to have?

Which of the statements below would you like to reflect your child's language level in the future?

NATURAL

- Natural/native/full bilingual means being able to:
- Speak confidently, have no or little accent.
 - Switch easily & quickly between languages.
 - Can read & write in the second language.
 - Usually achieved by learning languages before age 6.

COURAGEOUS

- Can speak confidently, has an accent but is understood.
- Worked hard to achieve this level but positive about it.
- Has had lots of exposure to second/multiple languages.
- No anxiety about using different languages.

CAPABLE

- Is capable of understanding and speaking in both languages but has a preference for the majority language.
- Where possible will try and use the majority language.
- Minority language is not natural.
- Can get by when needed such as speaking to grandparents.

PASSIVE

- Understands most of what is being said but doesn't speak the language.
- May be able to converse in small ways if there is an urgent need.
- Lack of confidence and desire to learn.