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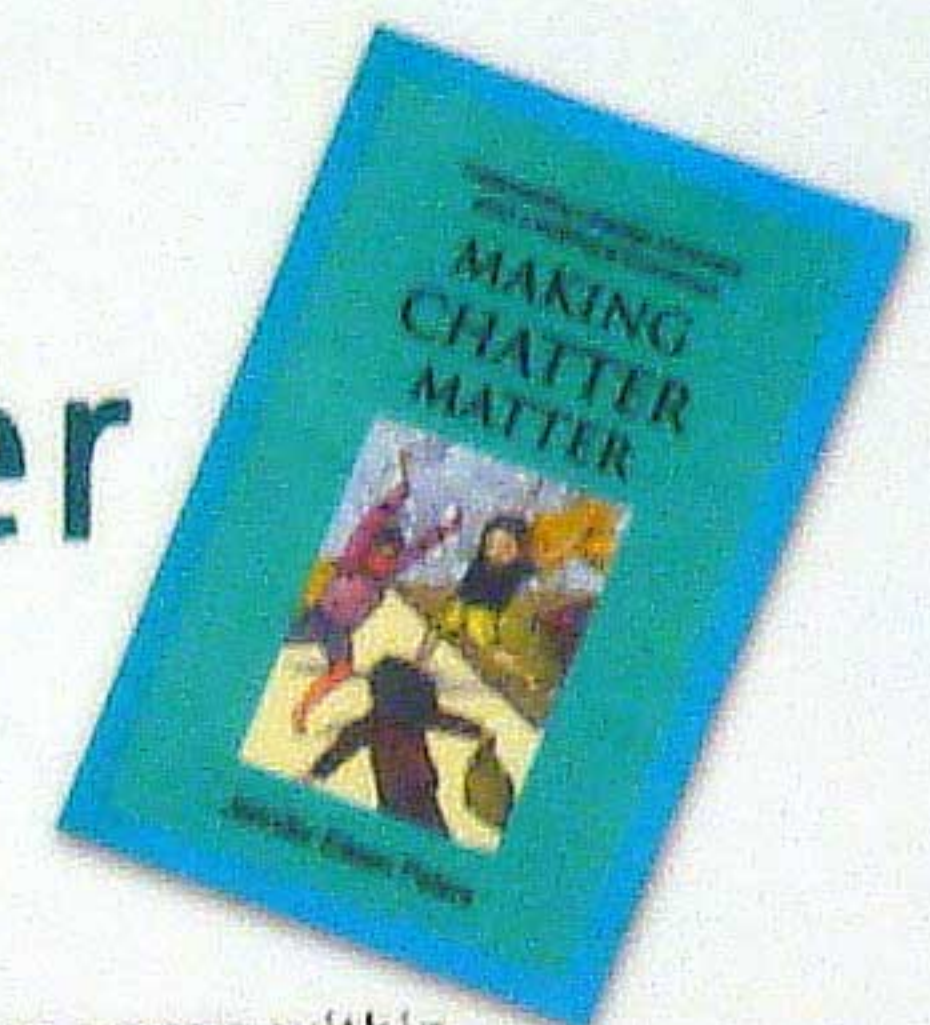
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Making Chatter Matter

Understanding Language Impairment within a Multilingual Environment: By Jennifer Eileen Peters



Is your child developing language normally? Does your child have a speech or language problem? Is your child receiving the correct intervention? Do you want to understand 'how' you can help develop a child's language? Or do you work with language-impaired children, and would welcome another perspective to your world? Do you want to enhance your understanding of multi-lingual language acquisition?

'Making Chatter Matter' addresses all these questions - and more. Directed at parents, caregivers and teachers of language impaired children, and written in an easy-to-understand, concise style, this must-have read 'empowers' you by expanding your knowledge, to recognize, to understand, and to cope with problems that may arise if language impairments should present themselves within Malaysia's multi-cultural, multi-lingual environment. The book is peppered with approximately a hundred and twenty actual, situational examples that results in a delightful read.

Among the topics covered are:

- A general introduction to the theories of how children acquire language
- What a child 'needs' in order to develop, and acquire language
- How a multi-lingual environment influences language development

- What can go wrong within language development
- Practical strategies, and techniques to help you teach a language impaired child
- Frequently asked questions
- Some specific activity tasks to encourage early language skills

With perceptive insight, the Malaysian author, a respected Speech and Language Pathologist with more than thirteen years of paediatric clinical experience, has explored the complexities of children's language acquisition in a multi-lingual, multi-cultural environment, thereby, filling the void in the books targeting language impairment currently available in the local market. HT

WHAT THE EXPERTS SAY:

"This is a valuable book that will help parents and professionals (from a variety of fields) to understand how to help children with problems and disability in the area of language and communication. This excellent book goes into great depth and has many good examples to help the reader to help children in need. I would strongly recommend it to anyone who is serious about wanting to help children with language/communication problems."
- Dr Amar-Singh HSS (Consultant Community Paediatrician & Head Paediatric Department, Ipoh Hospital, Perak)

"High praise for the 1st Malaysian book written by a Speech-Language Pathologist. An excellent resource for parents, teachers, students of speech pathology and health professionals."
- Audrey Colliver (Speech-Language Pathologist, in Private Practice, Malaysia, President, Malaysian Association of Speech-language & Hearing (MASH) [2000 - 2002])

"An excellent orientation for parents and teachers of language impaired children to understand not only what to do, but more important, why."
- Helen Chandler-Yeo (Speech-Language Pathologist, in Private Practice, Singapore)

"This is a highly informative book that provides readers with a clear idea on speech-language pathology. It is a useful guide/text for parents, teachers and the healthcare professionals in multilingual Malaysia."
- Dato' Dr Iean Hamzah Sendut (Consultant Paediatrician & neonatal Intensivist, Gleneagles Intan Hospital)

This book is available for RM39.90 at MPH Bookstores, Times Bookstores, Kinokunlya Bookstore, Silverfish Books (online) and Popular bookstores. If you are having trouble locating a copy you can email Jennifer at: carespeech@yahoo.com