

Influence of Sociocultural Factors on ESL Students Writing Practices and Challenges

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Abstract

The aim of the paper is to investigate the complicated impact that sociocultural influences have on the writing practices and challenges of English as a Second Language (ESL) students. In light of the fact that globalization has made English a vital skill, students of English as a second language face a variety of challenges that go beyond the simple acquisition of language and involve deeply ingrained cultural effects. Using a sociocultural framework that is based on Vygotsky's ideas, this research investigates the ways in which ESL students' approaches to writing in English are influenced by a variety of factors, including native language structures, cultural norms, peer relationships, and past educational experiences. In order to make writing instruction more inclusive and supportive of students from a variety of backgrounds, the study offers perspectives on how teachers might accommodate the sociocultural variations that exist in their classrooms.

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Introduction

It is now possible to access a wide variety of academic and professional opportunities thanks to the emergence of English as a worldwide language. If, on the other hand, you are not a native English speaker, acquiring the art of writing in English involves a variety of problems that derive not only from linguistic differences but also from the effect of societal variables. In order to be successful in writing in a second language, particularly in English, students frequently need to adopt new ways of thinking, structure arguments, and use language patterns that may be strange to them or even disagree with the norms of their culture. The purpose of this paper is to investigate the sociocultural factors that have an impact on English as a Second Language (ESL) writing habits. A complete understanding of how teachers might assist ESL students in overcoming these specific

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