NEXTGEN LANGUAGE ACQUISITION OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS IN SCIENCE & ENGINEERING PRACTICES

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ABSTRACT

Before discussing the next generation's challenges and demands, let us consider today's modern learner, who is a multifaceted, energetic and tech-savvy individual. He is inspired and be ready to accept the challenges. He integrates technology into classroom experiences. Amalgamating technology in education can range from replacing the existing educational practices through digital media. The teachers are challenged if they are not prepared. It's not an easy task for the teachers to prepare the students for the next generation challenges. This paper tries to address two issues: (1) language skills involved as students engage in science and engineering practices and (2) features of science text and science talk. What capabilities and traits will serve them in a time that is changing so swiftly?

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