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How long does it take to acquire a new language at grade level in all content areas? Solid longitudinal research by the most highly-respected scholars indicate clearly that it can take 4 to 10 years, even for the most enriched children. Of course, this does not apply to each child always, as there are so many complex variables, such as the child, the family, the school, and the lived-experiences of the child.

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