

EFFECTS OF LEARNERS FIRST LANGUAGE IN LEARNING OF OTHER SUBSEQUENT
LANGUAGES A STUDY OF SCHOOLS IN KISUMU DISTRICT, KISUMU COUNTY.

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ABSTRACT

The general objective of this study will be to investigate how learner's first language (mother tongue) affects the learning and competency of subsequent languages that is second and third languages respectively. The study will therefore focus on the following objectives: First to determine the extent to which the learners acquire their mother tongue, secondly to determine the challenges that faces learners during learning of second and third languages, thirdly how mother tongue affects learning of second and third languages and lastly propose possible measures that can be adopted to enhance acquisition of linguistic competence based on the notion of the first language (mother tongue)

The study will deploy a mixed form of research design descriptive and case study . The target population will be Nursery school pupils and class eight from Maseno mixed primary School in Kisumu County Maseno Division. The researcher will use Stratified random sampling technique to select a sample .Questionnaires and interviews will also be used as data collection sample. The data collected will be analyzed qualitatively .The following statistical measures will be used to draw inference , frequencies ,cumulative frequencies ,percentages coefficient , content analysis will be used for qualitative analyses.