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“Relationships Between Language and Thought”

How do the languages we speak shape the ways we think? Do speakers of different languages think differently? Does learning new languages change the way you think? Do bilinguals think differently when speaking different languages? Does language shape our thinking only when we're speaking or does it shape our attentional and cognitive patterns more broadly? This talk will describe several lines of research looking at cross-linguistic differences in thought. The studies investigate how languages help construct our representations of the world at many stages, yielding predictably different patterns of thought in speakers of different languages.

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