Research Question Activity

1. For each of the following sample research questions, briefly describe the issue with the question and how it could be improved:

    a. How do people recognize words when they read them?

    b. What is the effect of metaphorical framing on comprehension?

    c. Do bilinguals process language differently?

    d. How do parents help children learn language?

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2. Over the past week, you collected some original sources and wrote an annotated bibliography. Copy and paste a few of those research questions below (you can usually find the RQ towards the end of the introduction section or in the abstract) and add a citation.

e.g., "Do gestures also help speakers find the right words when they talk about abstract concepts that are spatialized metaphorically?" (Kısa, Goldin-Meadow, & Casasanto, 2022)

    1.

    2.

    3.

    4.

Briefly discuss with your groupmates some of the research questions that were addressed in those studies you read:
- Do you think these are well-formed research questions?
- What do you like about the questions?
- What do you think could be improved?
Take a few notes of your conversation below:

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3. Practice generating research questions based on these topics:

    1. Metaphorical framing and perception on climate change

    2. Gestures and understanding directions to a location

    3. Mood and conceptual metaphor "EMOTION is COLOR"
       - *(e.g., anger is red, sad is blue, etc)*

If you have time, practice writing hypotheses and predictions for your research questions above:

1. **Hypothesis**:

   Prediction:

2. **Hypothesis**:

   Prediction:

3. **Hypothesis**:

   Prediction: