

In this landmark assessment of the roots of the crisis in education, Jane M. Healy, Ph.D., examines the reasons why children today are less able to concentrate, less able to absorb and analyze information, less able literally to think than the generations that preceded them.

Growing brains are physically shaped by experience. Today's children, bombarded by a fast-paced media culture, develop different "habits of mind" than did those of previous decades. Proving that the basic intelligence of children is not at issue, Healy shows how parents and teachers can make a critical difference by making them good learners not only during their school years but lifelong.

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"A fascinating exploration of today's much-deplored decline in school achievement....[Healy] clearly conveys the relationship between language, learning and brain development, then explains why television viewing and present-day lifestyles sabotage language acquisition, thinking, and personal success."

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"Healy makes it abundantly clear that parents, schools, and the culture at large have some serious choices to make."

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