

De la langue parlée à la maison jusqu'au monde extérieur où l'anglais domine

In our latest video, Dr. Shushan Karapetian illuminates the challenges facing heritage language speakers in diasporic environments. What happens when a child transitions from a home environment where Armenian is the primary language to a world where English dominates? Dr. Karapetian argues that by understanding the limitations of heritage language development in the diaspora, we can move toward more effective systems of language transmission and education.



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