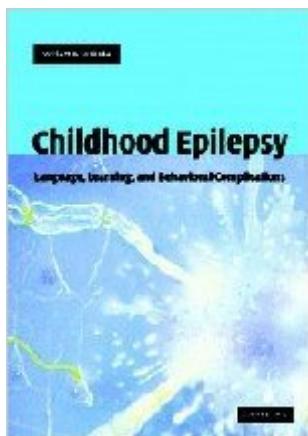


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# Childhood Epilepsy: Language, Learning And Behavioural Complications



## **Synopsis**

William Svoboda channels a lifetime of clinical experience into three areas--language, learning, and behavior--that encompass the major difficulties of children "growing up with epilepsy." In each area he looks at why the problems arise and assesses potential treatments. The focus of this comprehensive work is on the complete care of the child rather than on diagnosis, classification and medication alone. More than half of all epileptic children have interrelated language, learning, and/or behavior complications that persist beyond seizure control and present problems for health and educational systems. This reference makes a significant contribution to furthering the knowledge of clinicians, educators, and language specialists about the needs of this special pediatric population.

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More than half the children with epilepsy have interrelated language, learning and /or behavior complications which persist beyond seizure control and present problems for health and education systems. In this comprehensive book, William Svoboda distils a lifetime of clinical experience into three areas which address the main points of difficulty. In each he looks at why the problems arise and assesses treatments. The focus is on the whole care of the child rather than on diagnosis, classification and medication alone. Clinicians, educators and language specialists will find this book invaluable.

Having been told that there was no direct relationship between epilepsy and language, learning and behavior complications, I was thrilled to find a source for all of the information I had suspected was true and valid. It was well worth the high price tag. I suspect it will come in handy again when my kindergartener reaches grade school and I need to explain exactly what is happening in her brain and why and how she needs special assistance.

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