

Effective Language Use: Option for Education for Human Empowerment, Competency and Citizenship in Nigeria**Queen Ugochi Njemanze¹ and E.B.J. Iheriohanma²***Directorate of General Studies, Federal University of Technology, Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria*
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ABSTRACT Effective language use is a dynamic construct which reveals the consciousness of an intellectual attribute of an individual. It is also an important concept which is the criterion to the processes of education and human empowerment. Education, empowerment, competence, capacity building, knowledge and good citizenship on the other hand are fundamental to individual growth, competitive performance, economic and professional growth of individuals in modern nations and in this globalized economy. These concepts are interdependent. Thus, this paper affirms that effective use of English will be a better option for education, which consequently aids human empowerment, competency, capacity and knowledge building and good citizenship in Nigeria.