

## Montessori Madness A Parent To Argument For Education Trevor Eissler

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A balanced review of the research on the effects of the Montessori school experience, strengths and weaknesses of the method, its history in the US, and new trends. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

In Understanding Montessori: A Guide for Parents Maren Schmidt explains the how's and why's of Montessori education while asserting that authentic Montessori education is the most effective way for children to learn. What is Montessori Education? Montessori education, more than anything, is about understanding and aiding the child's natural process of growth and learning. The principles, methods, and materials that Dr. Montessori pioneered over one-hundred years ago are not only scientifically supported and researched, they are based on common sense. Understanding Montessori: A Guide for Parents will help parents understand the stages of childhood growth and learning and how Montessori education uniquely meets each child's learning needs. Understanding Montessori draws on the author's twenty-five years of working with children to explain in simple language what neuropsychologists are now finding that--children learn faster and more easily in a properly prepared Montessori classroom than in traditional settings. Montessori classrooms all over the world have proven that, when implemented faithfully, Dr. Maria Montessori's philosophy works for children at all levels of ability and socio-economic circumstance. Montessori education offers an unmatched complement of principles, methods and materials that develop a child's mind like no other educational method. Understanding Montessori busts twelve major myths that prevent clear understanding of what Montessori education is and is not. The underlying principles of Montessori education are explained alongside children's developmental needs and how these two ideas create the foundations of Montessori methods, techniques and learning communities. Two chapters of the book provide in depth questionnaires for finding and assessing a quality Montessori school, along with details for accessing downloadable copies of these questionnaires. Every group has their own set of key words and Montessori educators are no exception. Chapter 10 explains basic childhood development and Montessori terms with clear and easy to understand definitions. Three key ways to assure your child's success are offered in Chapter 8, followed in the next chapter with ten ways that we as parents benefit from considering a child's point of view. Understanding Montessori promises to explain the basics of Montessori education so that you can make informed decisions about this powerful learning method when a parent's time is in short supply. Montessori education may be the most important choice you make for your child. Learn more by reading Understanding Montessori: A Guide for Parents.

A parent's guide to building independence, creativity, and confidence in their children using Montessori learning techniques, written by Montessori president Tim Seldin. An international bestseller, How to Raise an Amazing Child the Montessori Way adapts Montessori teachings for easy use at home. Packed with Montessori-based preschool activities and educational games that build confidence and independence through active learning, this authoritative illustrated guide helps raise self-reliant and creative children. Celebrate physical and intellectual milestones from birth to age six with activity checklists, and encourage development through proven child-centered teaching methods. This edition has been updated to include information about the neuroscience of child development and shares advice about screen time in the digital age, co-parenting, other family changes, and gentle discipline methods. How to Raise an Amazing Child the Montessori Way shows parents how to bring the teachings of Montessori into their home to create a safe, nurturing environment for their children with clear and concise instructions.

"We know we need to improve our traditional school system, both public and private. But how? More homework? Better-qualified teachers? Longer school days or school years? More testing? More funding? No, no, no, no, and no. Montessori Madness! explains why the incremental steps politicians and administrators continue to propose are incremental steps politicians and administrators continue to propose are incremental steps in the wrong direction. The entire system must be turned on its head. This book ask parents to take a look--one thirty-minute observation--at a Montessori school. Your picture of what educations should look like will never be the same"--Back cover.

Maria Montessori, Her Life and Work

Teach Me to Do It Myself

That 17th Hat

Child of the World

A Parents' Guide to Literacy for Children

Using Jewish Teachings to Raise Resilient Teenagers

Montessori Today

"A resource for teachers and parents interested in Montessori education and Dr. Maria Montessori's observations on child development. Discusses Montessori education and its viability in the 21st century. Explains the basic elements of child development through the lens of Montessori philosophy and neuroscientific findings"-- Provided by publisher.

Stephenson's volume is a wonderful resource for parents seeking thoughtful, sound advice on raising well-grounded children in a chaotic world. Presenting Montessori principles in clear and eloquent prose, Stephenson's legacy will be a tremendous service to generations of parents to come. -Angeline Lillard, PhD, Professor of Psychology, U. of Virginia, author of Montessori, The Science behind the Genius

The book everyone is talking about: how the French manage to raise well-behaved children, and have a life! Who hasn't noticed how well-behaved French children are, compared to our own? How come French babies sleep through the night? Why do French children happily eat what is put in front of them? How can French mothers chat to their friends while their children play quietly? Why are French mothers more likely to be seen in skinny jeans than tracksuit bottoms?

Charting the progress of twelve children in a real Texas classroom, educator Donna Goertz shows how positive change can occur given the proper environment. In each case she describes a child's transformation from destructive troublemaker to responsible citizen of the classroom community.

Readers will learn how to apply Montessori methods to virtually any early elementary environment.

What You Should Know about Your Child

Montessori Play & Learn

A Parent to Parent Argument for Montessori Education

A Guide for Parents & Teachers

Dr. Montessori's Own Handbook

Montessori Read & Write

A clinical neuropsychologist and test-prep guru combine cutting-edge brain science with insights from their work with families to make a radical case for giving kids more freedom to unleash their full potential.

More than 80 years ago, Maria Montessori recognized the importance of a child's earliest experiences in paving the way for educational and personal fulfillment. Ahead of her contemporaries she created a whole educational system for the pre-school years. In this book, the author brings the Montessori method into the home. The book includes simple projects that fit into the normal daily routine of toddlers and young

children. Starting with the home and gradually moving out into the local environment, each project shows how simple games and activities can provide the building blocks for language development, mathematics, science and arts and crafts, while stimulating the child's natural sense of curiosity and sense of fun.

A guide to raising a baby from birth to age one by applying the wisdom of Montessori, from the bestselling author of The Montessori Toddler and a coauthor with expertise in infant care and education. The Montessori Baby guides new parents in how to interact with babies in ways that assist their development and foster a respectful relationship between parent and child.

Montessori: A Modern Approach has been called the single best book for anyone -- educator, childcare professional, and especially parent -- seeking answers to the questions: What is the Montessori method? Are its revolutionary ideas about early childhood education relevant to today's world? And most important, especially for today's dual-career couples. Is a Montessori education right for my child? Paula Polk Lillard writes both as a trained educators and as a concerned parent -- she has many years as a public school teacher, but it was her enthusiasm for the education her own child experienced in a Montessori school that led her to become a leading voice in the Montessori movement in this country. Her book offers the clearest and most concise statement of the Montessori method of child development and education available today.

A Parent's Guide to Raising a Curious and Responsible Human Being  
Positive Discipline A-Z

Our Peaceful Classroom

I Offer You Peace

Nurturing Your Child's Inner Life

A Guide for Parents

A Parents' Guide to Purposeful Play from Two to Six

Children describe many of the things they learn and do at their school which uses the methods developed by Maria Montessori.

A leading educator discusses the importance of the first six years to a child's normal physical and emotional development

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The definitive biography of a physician, feminist, social reformer, educator, and one of the most influential, and controversial women of the 20th century. Maria Montessori effected a worldwide revolution in the classroom. She developed a new method of educating the young and inspired a movement that carried it into every corner of the world. This is the story of the woman behind the public figure—her accomplishments, her ideas, and her passions. Montessori broke the mold imposed on women in the nineteenth century and forged a new one, first for herself and eventually for those who came after her. Against formidable odds she became the first woman to graduate from the medical school of the University of Rome and then devoted herself to the condition of children considered uneducable at the time. She developed a teaching method that enabled them to do as well as normal children, a method which then led her to found a new kind of school—the Casa dei Bambini, or House of Children—which gained her worldwide fame and still pervades classrooms wherever young children learn. This biography is not only the story of a groundbreaking feminist but a vital chapter in the history of education.

“ Highly recommended for educators, parents, and moderate feminists who seek inspiration from one of the most accomplished women of this or any other age. ” —Publishers Weekly

The History of Childhood

A Comprehensive Approach to Education from Birth to Adulthood

1001 Solutions to Everyday Parenting Problems

The Montessori Method

The Child in the Family

A Parents' Guide to the Montessori Classroom

A Parent's Guide to Nurturing Your Baby with Love, Respect, and Understanding

Introduces the Montessori system for teaching children to read and write, and includes age-specific activities and games

Alphabetically organized for easy access, a comprehensive parenting manual offers parents advice on hundreds of parenting problems, such as temper tantrums, sibling rivalry, ADD, shyness, eating problems, bedtime hassles, and school problems. Original. 15,000 first printing.

Announcing that rare parenting book that will not only help you become a more effective parent but actually change how you see your children. Written by Montessori educator Simone Davies, this book shows you how to bring the educational values of a Montessori classroom into your home—while turning the whole idea of the “terrible twos” on its head. Here is how to set up Montessori-friendly spaces in your home. Principles for fostering curiosity in your child—and in yourself. Specific Montessori skills—the winter coat flip; getting your toddler to pour his or her own water and clean up whatever spills might occur. And it goes much deeper, showing how a parent can really be present, be the child's guide, and handle tantrums and problematic behavior without resorting to bribes, threats, or punishment and truly celebrate every stage. It's also that rare parenting book that's beautiful to look at, with a bright, airy design and simple color illustrations and photographs.

4,962,571 is the story of a boy suddenly captivated by the idea of counting to a very large number. He sets a goal for himself, and through self-discipline, creativity, insight, and hard work, he...well you will have to see whether he reaches it or not.

The Self-driven Child

A Survival Guide for Kids (And Parents Too!)

The New Way to Stop the Daily Battle of Wills and Raise a Secure and Well-behaved One- to Four-year-old

How To Raise An Amazing Child the Montessori Way, 2nd Edition

The Child at Home, from Birth to Age Three

Four Million, Nine Hundred Sixty-two Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy-one

French Children Don't Throw Food

This updated classic by Maria Montessori's closest collaborator reveals the inspirations behind the greatest educational innovator of all time Maria Montessori is important background reading for parents considering Montessori education for their children, as well as for those training to become Montessori teachers. The first woman to win a degree as a Doctor of Medicine in Italy in 1896, Maria Montessori's mission to improve children's education began in the slums of Rome in 1907, and continued throughout her lifetime. Her insights into the minds of children led her to develop prepared environments and other tools and devices that have come to characterize Montessori education today. Her influence in other

countries has been profound and many of her teaching methods have been adopted by educators generally. Part biography and part exposition of her ideas, this engaging book reveals through her letters and personal diaries Maria Montessori's humility and delight in the success of her educational experiments and is an ideal introduction to the principals and practices of the greatest educational pioneer of the 20th century. -- The new introduction to "Maria Montessori: Her Life and Work" by Lee Havis, executive director of the International Montessori Society, discusses the changes that have taken place in Montessori education within recent years. -- An updated appendix of Montessori periodicals, courses, societies, films, and teaching materials. -- A revised bibliography of books by and about Maria Montessori.

"To me, the inner life is peace. It is that place you can go to get through the tough things.... I don't always have it, but I know it is there." -- 24 year-old intervieweeChildren are born with an innate knowing of the spirit within. The intent of this book is to help us understand this powerful force and nurture it. No matter what our beliefs, moms and dads everywhere desire to give their children opportunities to forge their own connections with the spirit. And despite any negative influences in our own upbringing, we are determined to give our children the best. In *Nurturing Your Child's Inner Life*, veteran educator and mother of three, Mary Ellen Maunz brings to life the concepts of Dr. Maria Montessori. Italy's first woman physician and founder of the Montessori Method of education, she was thrice nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize, based on her profound understanding that the child is our great hope for a peaceful world. Maunz explores how to help children become more peaceful as they encounter the spirit within. Learn how your child can:  
\* Flourish through each stage of development, even before birth  
\* Navigate through the challenges of the teen years  
\* Feel at home in the universe  
\* Express harmony, good will and virtue  
\* Understand the Golden Rule as taught in 14 spiritual traditions  
A brilliant, heart-warming and inspiring book. Mary Ellen's personal stories and years of experience make this both credible and easy to read and implement in daily life. This work is profound, tender and so necessary in this day and age when our children are bombarded with negative influences, media overload and the challenges of modern society. Nancy McNabb, M.S., Parent and educator  
The spiritual development of the child is not usually seen as a major factor in his development. Mary Ellen Maunz corrects this oversight by showing us how to nurture the child's spirituality at its source. Her breakthrough ideas leave us marveling at the unlimited inner potential of the child-and of ourselves-to lovingly embrace the divine. Karen P. Campbell, Ph.D.  
Transformative learning

The pediatrician-author of *The Happiest Baby on the Block* offers parents a groundbreaking new approach for dealing with toddlers, drawing a parallel between a child's development and humankind's journey to civilization and presenting specific behavioral techniques designed to enhance parent-child communication, alleviate tantrums, and increase positive relationships.

Janet Lansbury is unique among parenting experts. As a RIE teacher and student of pioneering child specialist Magda Gerber, her advice is not based solely on formal studies and the research of others, but also on her twenty years of hands-on experience guiding hundreds of parents and their toddlers. "No Bad Kids" is a collection of Janet's most popular and widely read articles pertaining to common toddler behaviors and how respectful parenting practices can be applied to benefit both parents and children. It covers such common topics as punishment, cooperation, boundaries, testing, tantrums, hitting, and more. "No Bad Kids" provides a practical, indispensable tool for parents who are anticipating or experiencing those critical years when toddlers are developmentally obliged to test the limits of our patience and love. Armed with knowledge and a clearer sense of the world through our children's eyes, this period of uncertainty can afford a myriad of opportunities to forge unbreakable bonds of trust and respect.

Preventing Exclusion in the Early Elementary Classroom

A Parents' Guide to Building Creativity, Confidence, and Independence

No Bad Kids: Toddler Discipline Without Shame

The Montessori Baby

Maria Montessori

The Absorbent Mind

Montessori from the Start

What can parents do to help their youngest children in their task of self-formation? How does the Montessori method of hands-on learning and self-discovery relate to the youngest infants? This authoritative and accessible book answers these and many other questions. Based on Dr. Maria Montessori's instructions for raising infants, its comprehensive exploration of the first three years incorporates the furnishings and tools she created for the care and comfort of babies. From the design of the baby's bedroom to the child-sized kitchen table, from diet and food preparation to clothing and movement, the authors provide guidance for the establishment of a beautiful and serviceable environment for babies and very young children. They introduce concepts and tasks, taking into account children's "sensitive periods" for learning such skills as dressing themselves, food preparation, and toilet training. Brimming with anecdote and encouragement, and written in a clear, engaging style, *Montessori from the Start* is a practical and useful guide to raising calm, competent, and confident children.

Part of a Thoughtful Living Series designed to help five to nine year-old children Cherish peace with all people.

Paula Lillard, director of a Montessori school ranging in age from 18 months to fifteen years, provides a clear and cogent introduction to the Montessori program for the elementary and later years. In detailed accounts, Lillard shows how children acquire the skills to answer their own questions, learn to manage freedom with responsibility, and maintain a high level of intellectual stimulation by using the Montessori method. This is an essential handbook for parents and teachers who have chosen the Montessori alternative for the older child.

This book is intended to follow *Education for a New World* and to help teachers to envisage the child's needs after the age of six. We claim that the average boy or girl of twelve years who has been educated till then at one of our schools knows at least as much as the finished High School product of several years' seniority, and the achievement has been at no cost of pain or distortion to body or mind. Rather are our pupils equipped in their whole being for the adventure of life, accustomed to the free exercise of will and judgment, illuminated by imagination and enthusiasm. Only such pupils can exercise rightly the duties of citizens in a civilised commonwealth. The first four chapters are mainly psychological, showing the changed personality with which the teacher has to deal at six years of age, and the need for a corresponding change of approach. The secret of success is found to lie in the right use of imagination in awakening interest, and the stimulation of seeds of interest already sown by attractive literary and pictorial material, but all correlated to a central idea, of greatly ennobling inspiration—the Cosmic Plan, in which all, consciously or unconsciously, serve the great Purpose of Life. It is shown how the conception of evolution has been modified of late through geological and biological discoveries, so that self-perfection now has to yield precedence to service among the primary natural urges. The next eight chapters show how the Cosmic Plan can be presented to the child, as a thrilling tale of the earth we live in, its many changes through slow ages when water was Nature's chief toiler for accomplishment of her purposes, how land and sea fought for supremacy, and how equilibrium of elements was achieved, that Life might appear on the stage to play its part in the great drama. Illustrated as it must be by fascinating, charts and diagrams, the creation of earth as we now know it unfolds before the child's imagination, and always with emphasis on the function each agent has to perform in Nature's household, whether consciously or unconsciously, failure in this alone leading to extinction. So the talc proceeds till Palaeolithic

Man appears, most significantly traced by the tools he used on his environment rather than by physical remains of so slight a creature. The new element of mind is brought to creation by man, and from that time the children are helped to see the great acceleration that has taken place in evolution. They learn to reverence the earliest pioneers, who toiled for purposes unknown to them but now to be recognised. Nomadic men and settlers alike contributed to build up early communities, and by interchanges of war and peace to share and spread social amenities. From chapter thirteen brief descriptions are given of some of the earliest civilizations, particularly with a view to their impacts on each other, showing human society as slowly organising itself towards unity, just as, in the individual human being, organs are built around separate centres of interest, to be later connected by the blood-circulatory system and the nerves, into an integrated human organism. So the child is led, by review of some of the most thrilling epochs of world-history, to see that so far humanity has been in an embryonic stage, and that it is just now emerging into true birth, able to consciously realise its true unity and function. The last chapters go back to the psychological point of view, urging on educators the supreme importance, to the nation and to the world, of the tasks imposed on them. Not in the service of any political or social creed should the teacher work, but in the service of the complete human being, able to exercise in freedom a self-disciplined will and judgment, unperverted by prejudice and undistorted by fear.

The Montessori Controversy

A Biography

Montessori Learning in the 21st Century

Montessori Madness

N Is for North Korea

Scientific Pedagogy as Applied to the Education of Children from Seven to Eleven Years. The Montessori elementary material. II

The Science and Sense of Giving Your Kids More Control Over Their Lives

Counsel parents of teens on how to overcome anxiety and dependence in older children by drawing on a Jewish system of character refinement that focuses on developing a young person's sound judgment.

*I Sit and Stay* is a unique safety guide for all children and parents who enjoy the outdoors. As families explore the natural beauty of America's national parks, forests, and wilderness areas, they need to be prepared. A child's disappearance while camping or hiking is every parent's greatest fear. Leah Waarvik, a dedicated search-and-rescue professional, empowers children by showing them how to help themselves, and educates parents about a subject that most know little about. *I Sit and Stay* uses real-life search-and-rescue dogs to teach the lessons that can save lives. The cute and talented dogs, Emma and Koa, make being lost less scary. They teach kids what special items to carry and how to use them to stay safe, and give kids tips to assure being found if they get lost. Rescue professionals agree that these are the most important things to remember, and no other book offers this vital information. Boxed set and extra survival kit also available. from the Foreword: Possibly the heartless treatment of children, from the practice of infanticide and abandonment through to the neglect, the rigors of swaddling, the purposeful starving, the beatings, the solitary confinement, and so on, was and is only one aspect of the basic aggressiveness and cruelty of human nature, of the inbred disregard of the rights and feelings of others. Children, being physically unable to resist aggression, were the victims of forces over which they had no control, and they were abused in many imaginable and some almost unimaginable ways by way of expressing conscious or more commonly unconscious motives of their elders... The present volume abounds in evidence of all kinds, from all periods and peoples. The story is monotonously painful, but it is high time that it should be told and that it should be taken into account...

When quality time is in short supply, this practical parenting book will help you give your child the best possible start in achieving essential skills and developing greater understanding of the world around them. From brushing teeth to growing a sunflower, simple activities with illustrated instructions will help you guide your child in developing and exploring their senses, co-ordination, language skills, numeracy and science interests.

The Blessing of a B Minus

A Love-based Approach to Helping Children with Severe Behaviors

To Educate the Human Potential

*I Sit and Stay*

Montessori, Global Education for Ages 3 To 12+

Children Who Are Not Yet Peaceful

The Montessori Toddler