# Quiz: “Introduction to Montessori Philosophy and Materials” Parent Education Video

We ask all CCM parents to watch the video, Introduction to Montessori Philosophy and Materials, and complete the quiz below. This video helps parents understand the philosophy and materials that Dr. Maria Montessori developed, which is part of our school's philosophy. This is a one-time requirement for all CCM parents, and we are grateful for your participation in your child's education.

**Instructions:** Please complete and return to CCM: Either scan and email to [Kids@ColoradoMontessori.com](mailto:Kids@ColoradoMontessori.com) or fax to us at 303-423-6469. This will complete the application process for your child.

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. In a Montessori classroom, a teacher may be sitting and observing or working with just one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Children seem unusually independent and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. There is an emphasis on cooperation and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. The materials are carefully designed so that the children can identify when they have made an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and correct it on their own.
5. \_\_\_\_ of the children’s senses are used in the educational process.
6. A unique aspect of the ­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ method is that it is internationally used.
7. There are five curriculum areas in Montessori:
   1. Practical Life
   2. Sensorial
   3. Language
   4. \_\_\_\_\_\_
   5. Cultural (including Bible).
8. Montessori materials are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so that each activity has an orderly and logical process to follow. This allows children to organize their thoughts and problem-solving skills, and absorb things through their senses.
9. The teacher is referred to as a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
10. Respecting a child’s desire to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a cornerstone of Montessori philosophy.
11. Many activities in a Montessori classroom focus on developing a child’s \_\_\_\_\_\_ and large motor skills and hand-eye coordination.
12. Caring for the environment is the responsibility of \_\_\_\_\_\_ child.
13. Practical Life activities include:
    1. Pouring
    2. Polishing
    3. Handwashing
    4. Dressing frames
    5. Spooning
    6. Walking the \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Dr. Maria Montessori was one of the first early childhood educators who discovered that children learn best through \_\_\_\_ - \_\_ activities. She believed children need to move \_\_\_\_\_\_ throughout the environment and investigate whatever interests them. She insisted that the classroom be \_\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ and beautiful.
15. Sensorial activities refine the senses and include
    1. Knobbed cylinders
    2. Pink \_\_\_\_\_\_
    3. Red rods
    4. Color boxes
    5. Knobless cylinders
    6. Constructive triangles
    7. Binomial cubes
    8. Sound cylinders
    9. Bells
    10. Touch boards
    11. Tasting jars
    12. Smelling bottles.
16. Building auditory skills is an integral part of the Montessori curriculum. Emphasis is on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ rather than the names of the letters. Language tools include:
    1. Sound games
    2. Sandpaper \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
    3. Moveable alphabet
    4. Metal insets
    5. Handwriting practice
    6. Phonograms
    7. Reading.
17. Dr. Montessori referred to a magic moment where language skills come together in the child’s mind and they can read. Montessori students often tell people that they taught \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to read.
18. As the child becomes more comfortable with each material, the concept of numbers becomes more abstract. Math activities give the child a rich math experience, and include:
    1. Number \_\_\_\_
    2. Cards and counters
    3. Golden and color-coded beads
    4. Stamp game
    5. Fraction circles.
19. Montessori is built on a philosophy of respect of \_\_\_\_ cultures.
20. The Montessori cultural curriculum covers \_\_\_\_, history, science, and music.
21. Children learn to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their world.
22. The Montessori curriculum emphasizes the idea of \_\_\_\_\_.
23. The Montessori method has been tested and revised for more than a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
24. All children have a natural \_\_\_\_\_\_ of learning. The Montessori classroom \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that love of learning and gives children the confidence to take on the challenges that life presents to them.

**Any comments about the video, quiz, or our school?**



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