

Maria Montessori



Children learn best by using their senses and pursuing their interests. Children have innate skills and talents. There are sensitive periods which indicate when the child is ready to learn. To maximize children's learning, Montessori believed that teachers should provide the necessary resources for children to learn independently and intrude on the children's learning experience as little as possible. If children are guided with love they will learn on their own.

Theories In Practice

- **Educators will ensure that there are blocks of uninterrupted time for playing.**
- **Children explore and use Montessori materials and equipment.**
- **Children are given hands-on learning opportunities.**
- **The program and environment will be ordered.**
- **Encourage independence - let the child choose.**
- **Be non-directive; the child will show you what they need.**