



## Suggested Readings for Parents

### **Montessori from the Start: The Child at Home, from Birth to Age Three**

*by Paula Polk Lillard*

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.

<http://www.amazon.com/Montessori-Start-Child-Birth-Three/dp/0805211128>

### **The Joyful Child: Montessori, Global Wisdom for Birth to Three**

*by Susan Mayclin Stephenson*

It is the goal of this book to help parents look for, discover, appreciate, and support the mental, physical, and emotional needs of the child in the first three years of life. Includes developmental details and milestones, as well as practical activities for each stage.

[http://www.amazon.com/The-Joyful-Child-Montessori-Global/dp/1879264102/ref=pd\\_sim\\_14\\_5?ie=UTF8&dpD=51qK1gNhn4L&dpSrc=sims&preST=\\_AC\\_UL160\\_SR105%2C160\\_&refRID=0R83V045N67156AFMMYH](http://www.amazon.com/The-Joyful-Child-Montessori-Global/dp/1879264102/ref=pd_sim_14_5?ie=UTF8&dpD=51qK1gNhn4L&dpSrc=sims&preST=_AC_UL160_SR105%2C160_&refRID=0R83V045N67156AFMMYH)

### **You Baby and Child, From Birth to Age Five**

*by Penelope Leach*

A comprehensive classic, an international best seller for twenty-five years, encompasses the latest research and thinking on child development and learning, and reflects the realities of today's changing lifestyles.

<http://www.amazon.com/Your-Baby-Child-Penelope-Leach/dp/0375712038>

### **Montessori: A Modern Approach**

*by Paula Polk Lillard*

A classic introduction to Montessori for teachers and parents. Reviews the philosophy and the writings of Montessori, as well as the basis and background of the Montessori Method of Education.

[http://www.amazon.com/Montessori-Approach-Paula-Polk-Lillard/dp/0805209204/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1451919354&sr=1-1&keywords=montessori+a+modern+approach+by+paula+polk+lillard](http://www.amazon.com/Montessori-Approach-Paula-Polk-Lillard/dp/0805209204/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1451919354&sr=1-1&keywords=montessori+a+modern+approach+by+paula+polk+lillard)

### **How To Raise an Amazing Child the Montessori Way**

*by Tim Seldin*

This one is geared for birth to 6 years with activities to do at home, how to structure home and bedroom to promote independence and a section on discipline. Beautiful pictures throughout and parent friendly.  
[http://www.amazon.com/How-Raise-Amazing-Child-Montessori/dp/075662505X/ref=pd\\_cp\\_14\\_1?ie=UTF8&refRID=0QP8GS9W8KXK3XJ00M47](http://www.amazon.com/How-Raise-Amazing-Child-Montessori/dp/075662505X/ref=pd_cp_14_1?ie=UTF8&refRID=0QP8GS9W8KXK3XJ00M47)

### **Teach Me To Do It Myself**

*by Maja Pitamic*

This is often used by "Home Montessorians" as it includes many activities that can be set up in the home, along with supply lists. Parent friendly.

[http://www.amazon.com/Teach-Me-Myself-Montessori-Activities/dp/0764127896/ref=pd\\_cp\\_14\\_1?ie=UTF8&refRID=1WHMCJZ5X5AW3Z2Y9VCS](http://www.amazon.com/Teach-Me-Myself-Montessori-Activities/dp/0764127896/ref=pd_cp_14_1?ie=UTF8&refRID=1WHMCJZ5X5AW3Z2Y9VCS)

### **Montessori Play And Learn: A Parent's Guide to Purposeful Play from Two to Six**

*by Leslie Britton*

Brief bio and overview, along with games, activities and academic prep ideas.

<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/0517591820/montessoriforthemh-20>

### **Understanding Montessori: A Guide for Parents**

*by Maren Schmidt*

This book 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 education offers an unmatched complement of principles, methods and materials that develop a child's mind like no other educational method.

<http://www.amazon.com/Understanding-Montessori-A-Guide-Parents/dp/1598589741>

### **Montessori Today: A Comprehensive Approach to Education from Birth to Adulthood**

*by Paula Polk Lillard*

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.

[http://www.amazon.com/Montessori-Today-Comprehensive-Education-Adulthood/dp/080521061X/ref=pd\\_sim\\_14\\_7?ie=UTF8&dpID=51jcP%2BGWB7L&dpSrc=sims&preST= AC\\_UL160\\_SR100%2C160\\_&refRID=0R83V045N67156AFMMYH](http://www.amazon.com/Montessori-Today-Comprehensive-Education-Adulthood/dp/080521061X/ref=pd_sim_14_7?ie=UTF8&dpID=51jcP%2BGWB7L&dpSrc=sims&preST= AC_UL160_SR100%2C160_&refRID=0R83V045N67156AFMMYH)