

Basic Montessori Early Language Development Time Line

The basic Montessori method of teaching writing and reading without the traditional Montessori children's house environment will present uncertainties that must be countered by the child mentor (volunteer adult) and the child's parents. The volunteer adult acts like a knowledgeable parent in 100 hours per year for two years. The child works with the Mentor, but does not leave the parent.

Time on task is tricky and a challenge. Libraries, Schools, Churches, YMCAs, Boys and Girls Clubs, and other areas are seen as logical places besides the home to deliver the gift of

Early Reading Skills. Repetition of delivery will make these locations adequate for the purpose of learning. Year 1 and 2 detailed below is the described timing for the Language Sensitive Period. The period goes well into kindergarten, but starts at age 3 to 3.5. The kindergarten will need to pick up where this ends. The Mentor can also be used in this time period to integrate if funding for the child remains. If the child needs more Early Reading Instruction going into kindergarten it should be provided because this activity is so very important to the child's success and it will never be delivered less expensively.

KINDERGARTEN										
Age	2.5	3	3.5	4	4.5	5	5.5	6		
SPOKEN LANGUAGE										
	Name of objects, exercises and materials									
	Conversations Discussions									
	Stories, Poems, Music									
	Vocabulary and Name Lessons									
	LeapPad® Vocabulary									
WRITING										
	Metal Insets Shading Designs									
	Preparation of the hand									
	Sandpaper Letters, Moveable Alphabet									
	Words-phrases-stories									
	Writing letter sounds									
	Writing Words									
READING WORDS										
	Sandpaper letters									
	Phonetics									
	Bob Books									

Math, Practical Life and Sensorial Experiences are not specifically addressed in this mentoring activity.

KINDERGARTEN READINESS

These are the abilities needed for the best proposal:

- Write 50 3 and 4-letter phonetic words.
- Read 250 3 and 4-letter phonetic words.
- Recognize 26 of the 44 sounds in the alphabet.
- Read Bob Books levels 1 and 2.
- Understand the meaning of 2500 words.
- Count to 100 and add and subtract simple digits.
- Understand positive direction.



Hey, Mom...
Will I Be
Ready?



Free Reading Kits
Language Stickers
Language Books
LeapPad Vocabulary Program
Peaceful Heights Montessori School

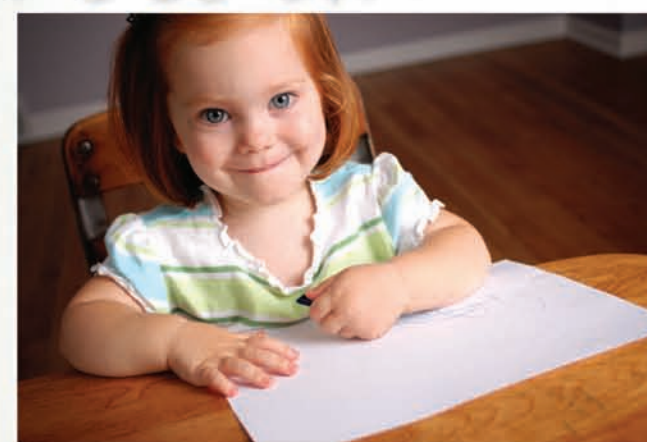
Make sure your child is ready to read before Kindergarten...



Proficiency

Opportunity

Freedom



Graduation



Literacy



Interdependence



Responsibility



Your child's future depends on it.