

Grade 10 · Unit 1 · LESSON 8

Check Your Progress

1 Read the text. Complete it with words from the box.

capacity child-centred classroom educators foster graduate images
influence method needs potential whole

Maria Montessori was one of the most important early years of the 20th century. She was the first woman to from the University of Rome medical school and became interested in education through her work as a doctor, treating children with special When she went on to establish schools for the disadvantaged children of working parents in Rome, she approached their education as a scientist. She used the as her laboratory for observing children and finding ways to help them achieve their full



It soon became apparent that Dr. Montessori had developed a highly effective teaching that could be used with great success with each and every child. The Montessori system is based on belief in the creative potential of children, their drive to learn, and the right of each child to be treated as an individual.

She began to travel the world, establishing schools, lecturing about her discoveries, and writing articles right up to her death in 1952. She was a true pioneer of education. Her innovative classroom practices and ideas have had a profound on the education of young children all over the world.

Montessori saw that children learn best by doing and that happy, self-motivated learners form positive of themselves as confident, successful people. She created specially designed resources to independence and a love for learning from an early age. The Montessori approach is holistic; that is, it aims to develop the child. Fundamental to this approach is the belief that a child's early life, from birth to six years old, is the period when they have the greatest to learn.

2 Match the words and phrases with their definitions.

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| a. special needs | • person who is the first to develop an idea |
| b. disadvantaged | • able to work at something without encouragement |
| c. achieve your potential | • requirements due to physical or mental problems |
| d. pioneer | • new and original |
| e. child-centred | • succeed to the best of your ability |
| f. innovative | • based on the needs and interests of children |
| g. self-motivated | • without the necessary education, money, etc. to succeed in life |

3 Read the text again and answer the questions. a) What is Maria Montessori famous for?

b) What is Maria Montessori's system based on?

c) What is the best period for children to learn?

d) How does the "learning by doing" method work?



4 Choose the correct form of the verb.

- a. People *is / are* always likely to tell lies to protect themselves.
- b. The council *meet / meets* in the town hall every Monday.
- c. The public *was / were* not satisfied with the measures taken during the crisis.
- d. The team *is / are* leaving for Australia tomorrow.
- e. My family *is / are* going to be there to support her.

5 Answer the questions. Write sentences.

- a. How do you usually spend your winter vacation?

- b. What will you have done by the end of the week?

- c. Have you ever been abroad? Where? When?

- d. What will you be doing this time tomorrow?

- e. What were you doing yesterday at 7 p.m.?



6 Continue the story using Present Simple, Present Continuous, and Future Simple.

Hi! My name is _____ and I am 16. Like every teen, I enjoy spending time with my friends and on social media. This is why my parents don't think I am ready for adult life. But ...