

How to Use the Material Guides

The Material Guides are designed to give parents, assistants, interns and other classroom helpers a quick overview of the sensorial materials and how to use them the correct way.

Place each Material Guide with its material or combine them on the shelf, e.g. in a magazine holder.

Once the child has chosen his/her work, the adult locates the appropriate Material Guide, brings it to the workspace and looks at the instruction for the basic presentation.

Note

Please stress to the adults using these Materials Guides that the typical three-year-old will use the materials as presented in the BASIC presentations. Only AFTER s/he has mastered those, is s/he ready to explore extensions. There is NO rush! Enjoy those challenges with the older children.

Do emphasize that the adult also needs to be familiar with the basic presentation and handling of the materials BEFORE trying out the extensions.