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PROVA D'ACCÉS A CICLES FORMATIUS DE GRAU MITJÀ MAIG 2023 PART LINGÜÍSTICA: Anglés Duració: 45 min PRUEBA DE ACCESO A CICLOS FORMATIVOS DE GRADO MEDIO MAYO 2023 PARTE LINGÜÍSTICA: Inglés Duración: 45 min

Maria Montessori: An icon for women's rights

Maria Montessori was born on 31st August 1870 in the town of Chiaravalle, Italy. Her father, Alessandro, worked as an accountant, and her mother, Renilde Stoppani, was well educated and had a passion for reading.

The Montessori family moved to Rome in 1874, and the young Maria enrolled in the local state school. From 1886 to 1890 she continued her studies at the Regio Istituto Tecnico Leonardo da Vinci because she wanted to be an engineer. This was unusual at the time as most girls studied the classics rather than going to technical school. Upon her graduation, Montessori's parents told her to work as a teacher, one of the few occupations open to women at the time, but she was determined to become a doctor. Her father opposed this course—only men could study medicine at that time—and initially Maria was refused entry by the head of school.

In 1890 Montessori enrolled at the University of Rome to study Physics, Mathematics and Natural Sciences, receiving her diploma two years later. Then, she could enter the Faculty of Medicine, as one of the first women in Italy.

She later developed an interest in education, attending classes on pedagogy and in educational theory. She observed methods of teaching children with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The opportunity to improve on these methods came in 1900, when she was co-director of a new training institute for special education teachers. Maria experimented which teaching methods worked best. Many of the children made unpredictable progress, and the program was a success.

The "Montessori Method" attracted the attention of educators, journalists, and public figures. In the following years, she developed a program to prepare teachers in the Montessori Method. Thanks to her work, Montessori education was adopted worldwide.

Adapted from https://montessori.org.au/biography-dr-maria-montessori

Vocabulary

Enrolled= matriculada/ matriculada Improve= millorar/ mejorar Success= èxit/éxito



QUESTIONS

Read the instructions for each question carefully before answering. (Total score: 10 points)

- 1. Read the text and answer the questions. Write complete sentences. (2 points)
- a) When did the Montessori family move to Rome? (0,4 points)
- b) What did Maria Montessori study at the University of Rome? (0,4 points)
- c) Was she the first woman to study at the Faculty of Medicine? (0,4 points)
- d) Where did she improve her teaching methods for special education teachers? (0,4 points)
- e) Is the "Montessori Method" in the development of education? (0,4 points)
- 2. Underline True or False according to the text. (2 points)
- a) Maria Montessori wanted to study Classical studies. True or False (0,4 points)
- b) At that time only men could be doctors. True or False (0,4 points)
- c) Later on, Maria attended classes of pedagogy and educational theory. True or False (0,4 points)
- d) Maria's program wasn't succesful. True or False (0,4 points)
- e) Montessori education is famous in Italy. True or False (0,4 points)
- 3. Which word does not belong to the group? (1 point) Example: tall / thin /fat / station
- a) engineer / accountant / doctor / work (0,25 points)
- b) Maths / subjects / Science / Physics (0,25 points)
- c) breakfast / lunch / dinner / food (0,25 points)
- d) always / behind / sometimes / often (0,25 points)
- 4. Put the words in the correct order. (1 point) Example: doctor / a / am / I ------ I am a doctor
 - a) Physics/ students/ learn/ not/ did/ (0,20 points)
 - b) speak/ languages/can/ foreign/she? (0,20 points)
 - c) time/ usually/ have/do/breakfast/what/you? (0,20 points)
 - d) having/a/are/today/at/dinner/we/ restaurant (0,20 points)
 - e) dancing/not/ I/on/ like/going/ do/Saturdays (0,20 points)
- 5. Choose ONE of the two topics, A or B, and write a short text of 60 to 80 words (8 sentences). Write about all the items listed in the topic chosen. (4 points)
- A) Describe your house location, size, number of rooms, furniture, favourite room...
- B) Describe an important person in your past: date of birth, relationship with you, origin, job, favourites, physical appearance and personality, death date and age.