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The Language of Art John Wiley & Sons  
Learn how to connect your curriculum planning to children's interests and thinking. With this book, educators will discover a systematic way for using documentation to design curriculum that emerges from children's inquiries, what they wonder, and what they want to understand. Get strategies for designing a classroom environment at the start of the year to facilitate emergent inquiry curriculum. Each chapter guides teachers to document and reflect on their thinking through each of the five phases of a cycle of inquiry process, including observing, interpreting the meaning of the play they see, and developing questions to engage children.  
Seeing Young Children with New Eyes ABC-CLIO  
How is a compelling, exemplary curriculum created in schools in spite of the pressures to implement a standardized one? In this book, teachers and principals share their experiences with emergent curriculum, and with the creative practices they 've developed in urban classrooms kindergarten to 3rd grade. We learn what they were trying to do, how they began the process, the challenges they faced, the decisions they made, and what happened to the children. All chapters are written by teachers who have found ways of interpreting the Reggio approach to enrich their teaching within the confines of traditional schools.

This book is essential reading for anyone wishing to understand emergent curriculum and for all who hope to nurture an enlivening, energizing way to learn in classrooms. The inspiring stories presented here illustrate: Ways that early childhood values and practices have been sustained and promoted in elementary schools. Exemplary teaching practice, where children want to learn and teachers want to teach. How the influence of the Reggio Emilia approach is reaching into urban public school environments with diverse populations. Democratic participatory teaching that offers visions of responsible citizenship for children.  
“ This book is a treasure trove of useful frameworks, wonderful teacher stories, and memorable insights. It demonstrates the remarkable potential of children and teachers, and it clarifies how North American elementary school educators can take hold of ideas from Reggio Emilia and integrate them with their own ideals and standards. ” —Carolyn Pope Edwards, University of Nebraska – Lincoln “ Carol Anne Wien demonstrates again that she can illustrate complex ideas—this time the theories underlying the Reggio Emilia approach—in innovative ways for a broad audience. ” —Celia Genishi, Teachers College, Columbia University “ A must read for educators seeking an antidote to prescriptive curricular practice that respects neither children nor teachers. ” —Curt Dudley-Marling, Lynch School of Education, Boston College “ This book provides long overdue and compelling pathways for extending Reggio Emilia principles into the primary grades. It will encourage readers to feel their way into the spirit and substance of emergent curricula and come away rejuvenated. ” —Daniel Scheinfeld, Erikson Institute, Chicago, Illinois  
**In Dialogue with Reggio Emilia Lulu.com**  
This book contains a wealth of practical and specific activities and materials to use with infants and toddlers to enhance growth and development. Writing in the accessible style that her readers appreciate, Ann Lewin-Benham looks at current research from the neurosciences to show what teachers and childcare providers can do with very young children. For each material or activity presented, the text examines its relation to the rapid brain growth that characterizes the zero to three years, including sensory reception, movement, language, cognition, memory, vision, and motivation. Materials, with guidance for their use and where to find them, include: paint, mark-makers, man-made found objects, natural objects, clay, paper, and light and shadow. This is the definitive guide for trainers and professionals who work with young children.  
“This book does not patronize or talk down to the reader—it assumes that teachers and parents are eager to think hard about how the brain works and children learn. The information is scientifically up-to-date, and its implications for education are stimulating to laypersons and professionals alike. Reading this book will forever change the way you think about how children learn.” —From the Foreword by Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, Claremont Graduate University “Ann Lewin-Benham’s book represents an extraordinarily comprehensive yet usable guide to the neuroscientific state-of-the-art in infant and toddler cognitive development. Full of practical recommendations for engaging young children’s brains with the physical world around them, this volume will connect strongly with educators and caregivers alike.” —Mariale Hardiman,

Interim Dean, School of Education, Johns Hopkins University "As we learn more and more from neuroscience about the development of the infant brain, two things have become clear: how competent babies are, and how much they depend on relationships to frame their early development. In her new book Ann Lewin-Benham helps us to understand how to respectfully relate to the developing brain." —J. Ronald Lally, Co-Director, Center for Child & Family Studies, WestEd

An Encounter with Reggio Emilia Teachers College Press

Approximately one in every thirty children born today is a twin or supertwin—a child of a higher-order multiple birth, such as a triplet or quadruplet. With twins and supertwins an increasingly growing population in preschool classrooms, early childhood professionals have more questions and concerns regarding the best ways to care for and educate preschool-age children of multiple births. Twins and Supertwins addresses these issues and highlights the best program practices supported by recent research and study findings; includes information on physical, social, emotional, and language development; identifies unique needs of twins and supertwins; and offers guidance to create partnerships with families.

Working in the Reggio Way Routledge

Have you ever wondered what the Reggio Approach is all about, why it works, and how it can be used to benefit the young children in your setting? This book provides an accessible introduction to the values and principles underlying the Reggio Approach to early years care and education. It demonstrates how practitioners in the United Kingdom have drawn inspiration from the Reggio Approach and developed their own practice in order to provide high quality experiences for young children. This new edition has been fully updated to show the connections between the Reggio Approach and the principles and commitments of the EYFS framework. Each chapter focuses on one important aspect of the Reggio Approach and includes: practical examples involving children of different ages in a wide variety of settings, helping the reader to see the connection between practice and theory questions to enable the reader to reflect on and develop his or her own practice references to sources of further reading and

information. This convenient guide will help early years practitioners, students and parents to really understand what the Reggio Approach can offer their setting and children. In the Spirit of the Studio Teachers

College Press

Practical ways to bring the practices of Reggio Emilia to your classroom.

*Talking and Thinking Floorbooks* Redleaf Press

Working in the Reggio Way Redleaf Press

Insights and Inspirations from Reggio

Emilia Teachers College Press

Insights and Inspirations from Reggio Emilia captures and celebrates 30 years of the Reggio Emilia innovative presence and inspiration in North American early childhood educational thought and practice. It is a narrative in word and image, representing the voices of teachers, scholars, and policy makers whose professional philosophies and practices have been changed by their encounters with the philosophy and practices of Reggio. These signs of gratitude honor first and foremost the legacy of Loris Malaguzzi, who developed and constructed with collaborators and teachers what is now known around the world as the Reggio Emilia approach. These signs honor as well his colleagues who are continuing to develop his philosophy using novel avenues fully in harmony with his dynamic view of exploring new ways and new sources of learning and relationship.

**Choice Time** Prentice Hall

More than a presentation of the Reggio Emilia philosophy, yet not a "how to do it" volume, this book is a progress report of the steps American and Canadian teachers have taken in the last six years toward teaching the Reggio Emilia way. Comprising chapters by the leading advocates of the Reggio Emilia approach, it

examines how real teachers in real classrooms are applying the principles of Reggio Emilia on an everyday basis. By combining discussion of Reggio Emilia concepts with examples of their application in American schools, it explores this emergent curriculum and helps future teachers see how to advocate for it in their own school or program. Discusses the Reggio system's support for the rights of the very young; Multicultural coverage guides readers to an understanding of the delicate balance between school and community—gives them practical strategies for building strong community bonds; Two chapters on working with parents examine the role of parents in children's educational development and the interplay between them and their children's teachers. Illustrates through examples the Reggio Emilia approach as it happens in American schools—highlights similarities and differences between the Italian curriculum and the American, as well as between American and Italian attitudes on education, children, parents, community, and other topics. For teachers or future teachers interested in learning more about the Reggio Emilia philosophy.

Emergent Curriculum in the Primary Classroom

Teachers College Press

The documentation of young children's learning plays a vital role in the pre-schools of Reggio Emilia. This leading edge approach to bringing record-keeping and assessment into the heart of young children's learning is envied and emulated by educators around the world. This unique, accessible and inspiring book is based upon a documentary approach successfully implemented by Stirling Council in Scotland, whose pre-school educators experienced dramatic improvements in their understandings about young children, how they learn and the potential unleashed in successfully engaging families in the learning process. This approach, which is based on careful listening to children and observation

of their interests and concerns, centres around recording and commentating on children's learning through photos, wall displays, videos and a variety of different media. The authors, both experienced educators include chapters here on: why early years' educators should use documentation as a means to enhance young children's learning the values, principles and theories that underlie the 'Reggio' approach how to implement documentations into any early years setting, with real-life case studies and hints for avoiding common pitfalls how to involve, inspire and enthuse families and the wider community

Bringing Learning to Life Routledge

"Authentic Childhood: Experiencing Reggio Emilia in the Classroom" explores the Reggio Emilia approach to early childhood education. The Reggio approach was developed at preschools and infant-toddler centers in Reggio Emilia, Italy, and is an emergent international curriculum. Based on constructionist learning, this text is ideal for students and teachers of all experience levels. "Authentic Childhood" includes inspiring stories of teachers who are transforming early childhood education and teacher preparation through the use of this new practice.

**Loose Parts** Routledge

Examines how real teachers in real schools are working to grasp the principles of the Reggio Emilia approach and apply them in their everyday classroom settings.

*Twins and Supertwins* Teachers College Press

This critically acclaimed, lavishly illustrated book will help educators create the highest quality learning opportunities for a new generation of children. The Second Edition features substantial and important changes, including the addition of new chapters by pioneers of the work that happens in the atelier who draw on

several decades of experience. The atelier of studio is a key element of the renowned preschools and infant-toddler centres of Reggio Emilia, Italy. This beautiful, full-colour resource explores how the experiences of children interacting with rich materials in the atelier affect an entire school's approach to the construction and expression of thought and learning. The authors provide examples of projects and address practical aspects of the atelier, including organizing the environment and using materials. No other book presents a more thorough examination of the philosophy, practice, and essential influence of the Reggio-inspired studio.

*Art and Creativity in Reggio Emilia* Redleaf Press

This book gives adults who work with young children a substantial look at some thoughtful, creative, reflective modes of thinking about their work. It has rich resources for the teacher who wants to grow in respect for children's capabilities and lessons for growing one's ability to listen to the intentions of children. It is rich in examples of real teaching in real American classrooms, influenced by work in Reggio Emilia, Italy. For teachers, and also for parents, of children from 2-6. Written by and for teachers of young children, this exhaustive examination of early education is rigorous and thorough.

**Loris Malaguzzi and the Schools of Reggio Emilia** Lulu.com

A progressive, research-based approach for making learning visible Based on the Reggio Emilia approach to learning, Visible Learners highlights learning through interpreting objects and artifacts, group learning, and documentation to make students' learning evident to teachers. Visible classrooms are committed to five key principles: that learning is purposeful, social, emotional, empowering, and

representational. The book includes visual essays, key practices, classroom and examples. Show how to make learning happen in relation to others, spark emotional connections, give students power over their learning, and express ideas in multiple ways Illustrate Reggio-inspired principles and approaches via quotes, photos, student and teacher reflections, and examples of student work Offer a new way to enhance learning using progressive, research-based practices for increasing collaboration and critical thinking in and outside the classroom Visible Learners asks that teachers look beyond surface-level to understand who students are, what they come to know, and how they come to know it.

The Hundred Languages of Children Prentice Hall

This book offers a collection of Rinaldi's most important articles, lectures and interviews between 1994 to the present day, organized around a number of themes and with a full introduction contextualizing each piece of work.

*Creating a Reggio-Inspired Stem Environment for Young Children* Redleaf Press

Provides early childhood teachers a framework for collaborating with children to create a dynamic, emergent curriculum.

*Inquiry-Based Early Learning Environments* Redleaf Press

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*Advisories* Oxford University Press

What does it mean to inquire? Grownups would say it means to question, to search for information, or to finding out about a topic of interest. For children in an early childhood classroom, the definition is no different. From the time of their birth, children want to know how the world works and actively seek out information. How educators respond to their quest is what this book is all about. Inquiry-Based Early Learning Environment takes an in-depth look at children's inquiry. What does inquiry look like in early childhood settings? How does the environment affect children's inquiries and teachers' thought processes? Inquiry-Based Early Learning Environment examines inquiry in all its facets, including environments that support relationships, that create a culture of risk-taking in our thinking, that support teachers as well as children, that include families, that use documentation as a way of thinking about our work, and of course, the physical environment and all the objects and spaces within it. Throughout, stories about environments and approaches to inquiry from around the world are included as examples.

*Working in the Reggio Way* Routledge

Practical ways to bring the practices of Reggio Emilia to your classroom.