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Control of Error
2 Volunteer Hours

Please refer to the article: [The Importance of Control of Error in the Montessori Environment](#) for the first four questions:

1. Rewrite the following statement in your own words:

"The teacher should never intervene in an action when the impulse prompting it is good, neither with her approval nor with her help nor with a lesson or correction." – Maria Montessori, *Some Words of Advice to Teachers*, 1925.

2. True or False and Why:

It is important for the teacher to correct the child when they make a mistake.

True

False

Why: _____

3. Fill in the blanks:

1. While working with Montessori classroom materials, the child receives instant _____ on their progress.

2. When they are constantly corrected, children learn to _____ making mistakes.

4. True or False:

Having a control of error in the materials liberates the child to take control of his learning and not rely on adult judgment.

True

False

Why: _____



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Please refer to [The Association Montessori Internationale Dictionary](#) for question 5.

5. Describe how control of error relates to self-esteem.

Please refer to the article [All About Errors](#) to answer the next three questions:

6. List a few Montessori classroom materials in which control of error is built-in:

7. True or False:

When error is accepted as a natural occurrence, “the error itself becomes interesting.”

True

False

8. Fill in the blanks:

In Montessori classrooms, teachers _____ mistakes from their students.

Instead, they _____ these errors and invite children to observe the process of self-correction.

9. In a Montessori classroom, the furniture is light enough to be moved without adult help but can easily be knocked over if the child does not control his movements. Objects in the classroom are breakable. Children learn to pour from glass pitchers and handle fragile items. This teaches them to handle things carefully to avoid damage or breakage. What is another example of control of error your child might experience in their home environment?
