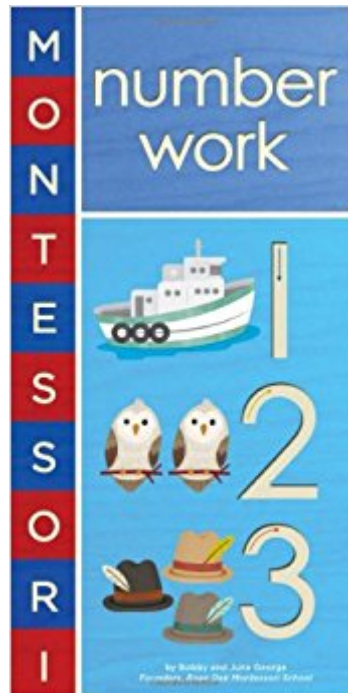




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# Montessori: Number Work



## Synopsis

These unique board books bring the popular Montessori pedagogy to trade book form for the first time. Using materials and methods common to Montessori classrooms, these interactive board books immerse young children in an aesthetically rich learning experience, while providing parents and caregivers with carefully crafted language to encourage understanding. This book follows the Montessori method by introducing the numbers 1 to 10 first as quantities to count before showing them as numerals. Cumulative red and blue tabs based on the counting rods found in Montessori classrooms help readers conceptualize quantities. Groupings of beautifully stylized illustrations provide objects to count before readers encounter textured numerals to trace with their fingers. Praise for Montessori: Number Work – “Nicely illustrated, this tall, distinctive board book is a useful resource for parents and teachers.” – Booklist “The combination of phonetics and simple retro illustration makes for an excellent entree into pre-literacy.” – The Wall Street Journal

## Book Information

Series: Montessori

Board book: 24 pages

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Language: English

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Age Range: 3 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

Bobby George and June George live in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where they founded Baan Dek, the first Montessori school in the state, and run Montessorium, an app company.

I enjoy this line of books and educational products for my 2.5 year old. The sandpaper numbers provide a textural difference that is great for learning toddlers. But unfortunately I did have to return this book. Whereas it is a sturdy, well made board book, the numbers and words on pages don't align well. Here's why there is a problem. You open the book to page 1. You see nothing on the left side and one boat on the right side. Then you flip the page and see the number one on the left side and two owls on the right side. This doesn't make any sense, especially for young minds. They don't understand why they see the number 1 but two characters, and etc.

I would not recommend this series for a Montessori classroom until the page sequence is revised. The required page flip between introducing the concept and the tracing page is too confusing for young learners.

I purchased this to start teaching my almost two year old son this upcoming school year. I have never purchased any type of supplies before for a child this young, but instead have always made my own. This book has a great concept but it not put together correctly. It is confusing trying to teach a child when the pages are not showing correctly. When you open the book there is one thing on the left yet another on the right and for a child who would be using this book, that is not acceptable. The book is made well material wise and the graphics and coloring of the book is awesome. It is a great start to something fantastic but needs some redesigning to really be great.

I love this book! It is excellent. Wish I could give it 5 stars. It is confusing for the kids. The number (which is like fine sandpaper) is on a different page than that number of items. So....on the double page spread where the picture of the number 4 is, there are 5 items. Number 5 is on the next page. It is like a flashcard, only in book form. Very confusing to young children. I still love the sandpaper numbers, so am giving it 4 stars. The sandpaper is a wonderful way to have children learn numbers. Tactile is great! I just have a sheet of paper over the contradicting number of items.

Yes i like the book's images, design, touchy areas, etc. But yes as others have said, having the number 3 opposite 4 items is confusing to children. I strongly suggest you use this book WITH your child and have a strip of card stock to cover the page you are not using. I just lay my arm over the page and that seems to work. Some people even remove the pages and use them as flashcards instead.

Layout is so confusing because the number and image that match are not side by side. I can't believe how awful it is because otherwise it would be wonderful. Who approved this layout? Foolish.

The picture to count is on one side and then the number is on the back of the page. But then the next picture to count is on the same spread, on the right side of the page - so it doesn't line up. For example - the left side of the page has the #3 to trace, but the picture next to it on the right page is 4 cats. Terrible execution, wish I had not wasted my \$.

Least like in the set. The pages would open up with a number and a picture that do not match in count. I get why it's so designed (the mismatch is a side effect, design oversight). But the visual is too unfortunate. I plan to cut loose the pages and use as flash cards instead.

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