

The Montessori scope and sequence

Every lesson published on homeschoolmontessori.com, 15 months to 9 years, area by area in the order a child meets it. Each title links to its page, with the presentation step by step.



- Each area runs top to bottom in the order a child meets it, youngest starting age first.
- The age is the usual range for the work. A child may keep using the material past the top of it.
- "Before this" names the lesson that should be solid first. A lesson with nothing listed can start the area.
- The five areas run side by side. Montessori's Children's Houses started children on very different exercises at the same time, so a home shelf can hold work from several areas in one week.
- Lines on the map that cross between areas matter most. The brown stair comes before the number rods, and pouring comes before the land and water forms.

■ Practical Life 12 lessons, from 15 months

#	LESSON AND MATERIALS	AGE	BEFORE THIS	LEADS TO
1	Hand Washing Hand-Washing Station	15 months to 3.5 years	Can come first	Table Scrubbing, Banana Slicing (First Food Preparation), Touch Boards (Rough and Smooth Boards) (Sensorial)
2	Dry Pouring Between Two Pitchers Small Pouring Pitchers, Work Tray	18 months to 3.5 years	Can come first	Button Dressing Frame, Wet Pouring Between Two Pitchers, Sweeping with a Brush and Dustpan, Land and Water Forms (Cultural)
3	Spooning: Transferring with a Spoon Spooning Set	18 months to 3.5 years	Can come first	None yet
4	Wet Pouring Between Two Pitchers Small Pouring Pitchers, Work Tray	2 to 4 years	Dry Pouring Between Two Pitchers	Table Scrubbing, Flower Arranging, Caring for Plants (Cultural), Sink and Float (Cultural)
5	Grace and Courtesy Lessons	2 to 6 years	Can come first	None yet
6	Button Dressing Frame Button Dressing Frame	2.5 to 4.5 years	Dry Pouring Between Two Pitchers	None yet
7	Sweeping with a Brush and Dustpan Child-Sized Sweeping Set	2.5 to 5 years	Dry Pouring Between Two Pitchers	None yet
8	Folding Cloths Folding Cloths	2.5 to 5 years	Can come first	None yet
9	Banana Slicing (First Food Preparation) Child's Food Preparation Tools	2.5 to 5 years	Hand Washing	None yet
10	Table Scrubbing Table Scrubbing Set	3 to 5.5 years	Wet Pouring Between Two Pitchers, Hand Washing	Metal Polishing
11	Flower Arranging Flower Arranging Set	3 to 5.5 years	Wet Pouring Between Two Pitchers	None yet
12	Metal Polishing Metal Polishing Set	3.5 to 6 years	Table Scrubbing	None yet

Sensorial 12 lessons, from 2 years

#	LESSON AND MATERIALS	AGE	BEFORE THIS	LEADS TO
1	Knobbed Cylinders Knobbed Cylinders	2 to 4 years	Can come first	Pink Tower, Color Tablets, Geometric Cabinet (Plane Geometric Insets), Metal Insets (Language)
2	Pink Tower Pink Tower, Work Rug	2.5 to 4 years	Knobbed Cylinders	Brown Stair (Broad Stair)
3	Brown Stair (Broad Stair) Brown Stair, Work Rug	2.5 to 4.5 years	Pink Tower	Red Rods (Long Rods), Number Rods (Math)
4	Touch Boards (Rough and Smooth Boards) Touch Boards	2.5 to 4.5 years	Hand Washing (Practical Life)	Mystery Bag (Stereognostic Bag)
5	Red Rods (Long Rods) Red Rods, Work Rug	3 to 5 years	Brown Stair (Broad Stair)	Binomial Cube, Number Rods (Math)
6	Color Tablets: Boxes 1, 2 and 3 Color Tablets	3 to 5 years	Knobbed Cylinders	Sound Cylinders (Sound Boxes)
7	Sound Cylinders (Sound Boxes) Sound Cylinders	3 to 5 years	Color Tablets	None yet
8	Geometric Cabinet (Plane Geometric Insets) Geometric Cabinet	3 to 5 years	Knobbed Cylinders	Geometric Solids, Fraction Insets (Fraction Circles) (Math), Metal Insets (Language), Botany Cabinet (Cultural)
9	Mystery Bag (Stereognostic Bag) Mystery Bag (Stereognostic Bag)	3 to 5.5 years	Touch Boards (Rough and Smooth Boards)	None yet
10	Binomial Cube Binomial Cube	3.5 to 6 years	Red Rods (Long Rods)	Trinomial Cube
11	Geometric Solids Geometric Solids	3.5 to 6 years	Geometric Cabinet (Plane Geometric Insets)	None yet
12	Trinomial Cube Trinomial Cube	4 to 6 years	Binomial Cube	None yet

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1	Number Rods Number Rods, Work Rug	3.5 to 5 years	Brown Stair (Broad Stair) (Sensorial), Red Rods (Long Rods) (Sensorial)	Golden Beads, Sandpaper Numerals
2	Sandpaper Numerals Sandpaper Numerals	3.5 to 5 years	Number Rods, Sandpaper Letters (Language)	Spindle Boxes
3	Golden Beads: Introduction to the Decimal System Golden Bead Material, Work Rug	4 to 5.5 years	Number Rods, Spindle Boxes	Stamp Game, Teen Boards (Seguin Board A)
4	Spindle Boxes: Counting 0 to 9 Spindle Boxes	4 to 5.5 years	Sandpaper Numerals	Golden Beads, Cards and Counters
5	Teen Boards (Seguin Board A) Teen Boards, Golden Bead Material	4 to 6 years	Golden Beads	Short Bead Chains (Squaring Chains), Tens Boards (Seguin Board B)
6	Cards and Counters: Odd and Even Cards and Counters	4 to 5.5 years	Spindle Boxes	None yet
7	Stamp Game: Static Addition Stamp Game	4.5 to 7.5 years	Golden Beads	Addition Strip Board
8	Short Bead Chains (Squaring Chains) Bead Chains (Short Chains and the Hundred Chain)	4.5 to 6.5 years	Teen Boards (Seguin Board A)	Hundred Board
9	Tens Boards (Seguin Board B) Tens Boards, Golden Bead Material	4.5 to 6.5 years	Teen Boards (Seguin Board A)	Hundred Board
10	Fraction Insets (Fraction Circles) Fraction Insets (Fraction Circles)	4.5 to 7 years	Geometric Cabinet (Plane Geometric Insets) (Sensorial)	None yet
11	Hundred Board Hundred Board	5 to 7 years	Short Bead Chains (Squaring Chains), Tens Boards (Seguin Board B)	None yet
12	Addition Strip Board Addition Strip Board	5 to 7.5 years	Stamp Game	None yet

Language 12 lessons, from 2.5 years

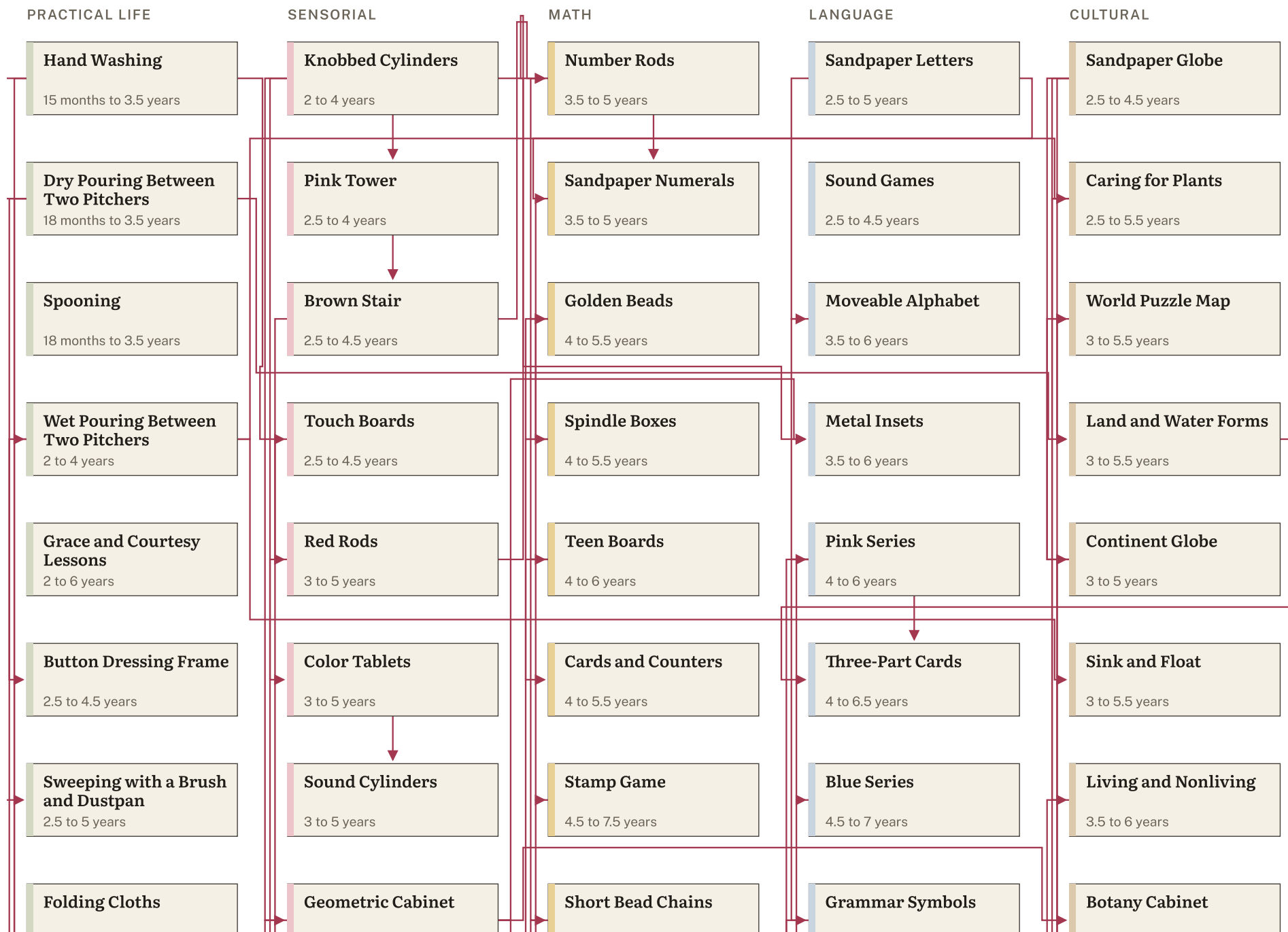
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1	Sandpaper Letters Sandpaper Letters	2.5 to 5 years	Can come first	Sandpaper Numerals (Math), Moveable Alphabet
2	Sound Games (I Spy)	2.5 to 4.5 years	Can come first	None yet
3	Moveable Alphabet: Building First Words Moveable Alphabet, Pink Series Object Box	3.5 to 6 years	Sandpaper Letters	Pink Series
4	Metal Insets Metal Insets	3.5 to 6 years	Knobbed Cylinders (Sensorial), Geometric Cabinet (Plane Geometric Insets) (Sensorial)	None yet
5	Pink Series: Object Box Reading Pink Series Object Box	4 to 6 years	Moveable Alphabet	Three-Part Cards, Blue Series, Grammar Symbols, Puzzle Words (Sight Words)
6	Three-Part Cards: Land and Water Forms Three-Part Cards (Land and Water Forms), Land and Water Form Trays	4 to 6.5 years	Pink Series, Land and Water Forms (Cultural)	None yet
7	Blue Series: Words with Consonant Blends Blue Series (Blend Words)	4.5 to 7 years	Pink Series	Green Series
8	Grammar Symbols: The Noun and the Verb Grammar Symbols	4.5 to 7 years	Pink Series	Grammar Boxes and Grammar Box Cards
9	Puzzle Words (Sight Words) Puzzle Word Cards	4.5 to 7 years	Pink Series	Command Cards (Reading of Commands)
10	Green Series: Phonograms Green Series (Phonograms), Moveable Alphabet	5 to 7.5 years	Blue Series	None yet
11	Command Cards (Reading of Commands) Command Cards (Action Cards)	5 to 7.5 years	Puzzle Words (Sight Words)	None yet
12	Grammar Boxes and Grammar Box Cards Grammar Boxes	5.5 to 9 years	Grammar Symbols	None yet

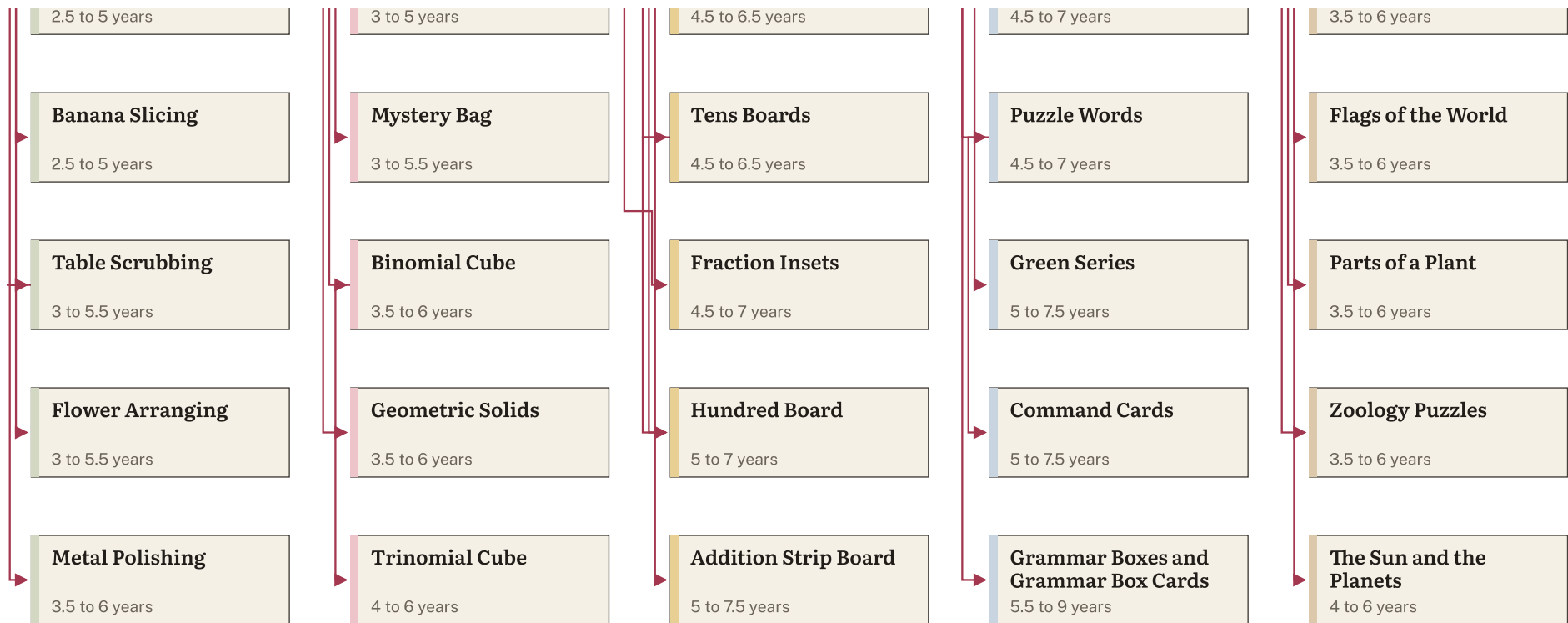
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1	Sandpaper Globe: Land and Water Sandpaper Globe	2.5 to 4.5 years	Can come first	World Puzzle Map, Land and Water Forms, Continent Globe (Painted Globe)
2	Caring for Plants Plant Care Set	2.5 to 5.5 years	Wet Pouring Between Two Pitchers (Practical Life)	Living and Nonliving, Parts of a Plant (Botany Puzzles)
3	World Puzzle Map: Continents World Puzzle Map	3 to 5.5 years	Sandpaper Globe, Continent Globe (Painted Globe)	Flags of the World
4	Land and Water Forms Land and Water Form Trays, Small Pouring Pitchers	3 to 5.5 years	Sandpaper Globe, Dry Pouring Between Two Pitchers (Practical Life)	Three-Part Cards (Language)
5	Continent Globe (Painted Globe) Continent Globe (Painted Globe)	3 to 5 years	Sandpaper Globe	World Puzzle Map, The Sun and the Planets (Solar System)
6	Sink and Float	3 to 5.5 years	Wet Pouring Between Two Pitchers (Practical Life)	None yet
7	Living and Nonliving: A First Sort Living and Nonliving Sorting Cards	3.5 to 6 years	Caring for Plants	Zoology Puzzles (Parts of an Animal)
8	Botany Cabinet: Leaf Shapes Botany Cabinet	3.5 to 6 years	Geometric Cabinet (Plane Geometric Insets) (Sensorial)	None yet
9	Flags of the World Flag Stands (Flags of the World)	3.5 to 6 years	World Puzzle Map	None yet
10	Parts of a Plant (Botany Puzzles) Botany Puzzles	3.5 to 6 years	Caring for Plants	None yet
11	Zoology Puzzles (Parts of an Animal) Zoology Puzzles	3.5 to 6 years	Living and Nonliving	None yet
12	The Sun and the Planets (Solar System) Solar System Puzzle and Cards	4 to 6 years	Continent Globe (Painted Globe)	None yet

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Which lesson needs which, all five areas







Prerequisite map of the 60 published lessons, one column per area. Each arrow runs from a lesson to the one that needs it first. Drawn from the lesson data, so it changes when a lesson is added.