

PHASES OF CHILDHOOD

Growing in Body, Soul and Spirit

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How can education function in harmony with a child's developing relationship with the world around it? How do education take account of body, soul, and spirit? He describes the three primary stages of child advancement -- pre-college, schoolchild and teenager -- in a apparent and concise method. The author continues on to explore the request of the insights as an education method in harmony with the child's developing relationship with the world around them. Drawing on the educational suggestions of Rudolf Steiner, and upon a philosophical tradition going back to Goethe and Schiller, Lievegoed turns from the materialist nineteenth-century notion of 'knowledge can be power' which even now pervades popular education today. Bernard Lievegoed takes a child's complete humanity -- body, soul and spirit -- as his starting place. Lievegoed demonstrates each stage of approximately seven years provides its own character, and its own genetic and biographical potential. From this, a philosophy and pedagogy emerge where, he argues, children can become happy, sensible and skilled adults only when education takes the development of the three aspects into account from the beginning.



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A must for Waldorf teachers and others I have not received my new copy of this very useful book yet but I owned an older edition that I can not find so I'm pleased to view it is updated but still in print. As a Waldorf instructor I used this publication frequently and as a retired Waldorf teacher I still want to buy to refer to when questions come up about what is going on for my grandchildren and when a parent includes a question about their child. for their parenting enjoyment! Five Stars Excellent!Personally i think this book is a must go through for a Waldorf instructor or parent and for anyone interested in the developmental phases of childhood, especially from an Anthroposophical perspective. Thanks I am presently teaching parenting classes at my former college with an emphasis on Nonviolent/Compassionate Conversation and I would like to bring in the developmental phases that require to be taken notice of when looking at conversation with children. Sharing a duplicate with each of our grown kids, for his or her parenting enjoyment ! Five Stars Good resource.



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