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Title: The Science and Art of Education: A Handbook about Contemporary Upbringing for Parents and Preschool Teachers

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The book “The Science and Art of Education” is a result of a joint endeavour of a number of experts in specific aspects of cognitive, socio-emotional and motor development of children...

The book uses simple vocabulary, and in an intelligible manner gives a comprehensive overview of all the challenges that parents may encounter. Today, there are more and more parents who realize that being a successful parent is a specific and difficult task. Therefore, in developed countries there are high-quality handbooks and various educational programmes for parents. There is also an increasing number of psychologists, sociologists and pedagogists who advocate the introduction of a special school subject in the final year of secondary school that would be exclusively dedicated to parenthood problems. This book systematically presents all of the most important recommendations for parents, which are based on theoretically well-founded laws and regulations that have been confirmed in practice.

In addition to potential parents and those who already have children, as a collection of all of the most significant topics related to parenthood and child development, this book will also be useful to students in a number of professions focusing on assisting parents and children, as well as to experts who already work with children and their parents. The book follows child development from their birth to adolescence with a special focus on critical points and “pitfalls” for parents. Naturally, some of the topics refer to the experiences and behaviour of parents, as well as of other family members, especially in delicate situations such as the arrival of a new child into the family, child’s illness, death of a family member, parental divorce, a new partner in the family unit,



¹ From the review written by Predrag Zarevski, PhD.

single parenthood, etc. The problems in upbringing associated with exponential growth and availability of new technologies are also mentioned.

Particularly valuable are specific pieces of advice at the end of each chapter, as well as recommended further reading for those additionally interested in a particular topic. Moreover, the text is enriched with examples from the authors' extensive practice, with children's drawings and observations, which further clarify the topic of each chapter.¹

Gordana Buljan-Flander i suradnici

Naslov: Znanost i umjetnost odgoja: praktični priručnik o suvremenom odgoju za roditelje i odgojitelje

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Knjiga „Znanost i umjetnost odgoja” nastala je kao skupni uradak niza stručnjaka za pojedine aspekte kognitivnog, socio-emocionalnog i motoričkog razvoja djece.

Knjiga nudi jednostavnim rječnikom i na razumljiv način pisan obuhvatni prikaz svih izazova koji čekaju roditelje. Naime danas sve više roditelja uviđa da je biti uspješan roditelj specifičan i težak zadatak. Stoga u razvijenim zemljama postoje kvalitetni priručnici i različiti obrazovni programi za roditelje. Sve se veći broj psihologa, sociologa i pedagoga zalaže za uvođenje posebnog školskog predmeta posvećenog isključivo problemima roditeljstva u završni razred srednje škole. Ova knjiga nudi sustavno prikazane sve najvažnije savjete roditeljima. Ti se savjeti temelje na teorijski dobro utemeljenim i u praksi potvrđenim zakonitostima.

Dakako, knjiga osim za potencijalne roditelje i one koji već imaju djecu predstavlja i na jednom mjestu skupljen niz svih najvažnijih tema o roditeljstvu i razvoju djece koji će biti od koristi i studentima za razna pomagačka zanimanja, kao i stručnjacima koji već rade s djecom i njihovim roditeljima. Knjiga prati razvoj djeteta od rođenja do adolescencije s posebnim naglascima na kritične točke i „zamke” za roditelje. Dakako, dio tema odnosi se i na doživljavanje i ponašanje samih roditelja, kao i šire obitelji, osobito u osjetljivim situacijama poput dolaska novog djeteta u obitelj, bolesti djeteta, smrti u obitelji, razvoda roditelja, novog bračnog partnera u obitelji, samohranog



roditeljstva i slično. Zahvaćena je i problematika koju u odgoj unosi eksponencijalni razvoj i dostupnost novih tehnologija.

Posebno je vrijedno davanje konkretnih savjeta na kraju svakog poglavlja, kao i preporuke za dodatnu literaturu za one više zainteresirane za neku temu. Tekst je, osim toga, obogaćen primjerima iz bogate prakse autora, crtežima i razmišljanjima djece koji dodatno pojašnjavaju temu poglavlja.²

² Iz recenzije prof. dr. sc. Predraga Zarevskog.