

Simplified Criteria Catalog (for Children)



In this text you will be introduced to six different points. These are intended to help you assess/check out teaching materials. Each point is accompanied by several questions. These questions will help you to evaluate the teaching materials and give your opinion about them.

1) I can do it by myself

The point here is that you can work on the tasks alone and without the help of another person. It doesn't matter if you have solved such a task before or if you are already good at it. Materials can be understood and solved by all children if there are different ways to work on them. This can mean, for example, that tasks don't always have to be read, but that you can also listen to them. Pictures or videos can also explain things to you. Unnecessary drawings should be left out so they do not confuse you. These questions will help you:

- Are there different ways I can solve the tasks?
- Can I solve the task even if it is difficult for me?
- Do I have to read the task? Can I also listen to it or understand it differently?
- Is anything on the materials distracting me from solving the tasks?
- Are there any pictures or drawings on the material to help me solve the problems?

2) This always works and everywhere

The point here is that you can work on the materials at any time and anywhere. It doesn't matter whether you work alone or with others. It also doesn't matter in which room you sit or which tools you want to solve the tasks with. Materials should be usable in different places. It doesn't matter whether you solve the tasks alone or together with others. You should also be able to choose whether you prefer to do the tasks on a computer or a tablet. It is important that the material is in a language you can understand. It is also possible that there are only pictures on the materials, and you do not have to read any text. These questions will help you:

- Can I choose whether I solve the task alone or with other children?
- Can I solve the tasks in different places?

3) What I can already do

It's important to review what you've already learned sometimes. This way you can find out what you already know and what you might need to practice. The materials include different types of reviews. In these, your teacher and you can check what you already know and what you still need to practice. The material will help you figure out how best to continue practicing. If you misunderstand something and repeat a mistake a lot, the material can show you this and help you find the right solution. These questions will help you:

- Does the review show me how to improve?
- Can I be checked in different ways?
- Does the review show me what I can do and what I may have misunderstood?
- Can I understand the review without help and think about what I want to practice more?
- Do I feel that I am being treated respectfully and fairly?

4) I can do this

When learning and solving tasks, it is important that you are confident and believe in yourself. Materials can help you do this and make you feel good about yourself. Materials help you to find a solution on your own and with pleasure. It must be clear to you why you should solve a particular task. It is important that you can also refuse tasks and that you can express your opinion about materials. These questions will help you:

- Do I feel like solving the tasks?
- Does the material make me feel like I can solve it on my own?
- Can I choose which tasks I work on and which ones I might not solve?
- Did I understand why I should solve these tasks?
- Can I say what I like and what I don't like about the material?
- Do I feel respected and can I have my say?

5) I know how I learn best

Materials can help you figure out how you learn best. Materials are made to help you get to know yourself better. The goal is for you to find out how and when you can learn best. These questions will help you:

- Can I solve the task with my own way?
- Does the material show me new solutions?
- Can I control and improve my solutions alone?
- Can I describe how I came to a solution and does the material help me think about trying a new one?

6) Why I am learning this

It is important that materials show you clearly what they want to achieve with you and what their goal is. It is important that you can understand the material. Words that you do not know should always be explained. You should also be able to see where the material gets its information from. You should always know why you should learn something and why the materials can help you. These questions will help you:

- Can I understand why the materials look like this?
- Can I understand why the materials have these tasks?
- Can I understand all the words used in the materials?
- Do I know why I should check myself?
- Does the material show me how to practice further with other materials?