

THE MOTHER'S VISION OF EDUCATION

**A GUIDE BOOK FOR TEACHERS
AND TEACHER-EDUCATORS**

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This book takes up the day-to-day questions that come up for the students and the teachers, and presents insights from The Mother on how to deal with these. The book comprises of articles by The Mother, and her responses to the questions put to her. The questions have been organised under simple themes for easy referencing, and further arranged according to sub-themes.

The book consists of five main sections:

- The Mother and her Work in Education
- The Growth of the Teacher
- Education and the Aim of Human Life
- Integral Education
- Understanding the Child

WHILE READING, IT IS IMPORTANT TO BEAR IN MIND:

1. These are conversations or written notes between The Mother and the students and teachers of Sri Aurobindo International Centre of Education, Pondicherry, and are responses evoked from The Mother for specific contexts. Therefore, one may find certain sentences that are context specific. However, it is their universal relevance that has determined the selection.
2. These extracts are meant to provide a window into The Mother's approach to Education, and to provide us insights upon various practical issues that come up in our work as teachers. However, it is important to remember that nothing can be applied with a uniformity and rigidity that contradicts the very natural, free and unique growth of each individual. In The Mother's words:
"One cannot make a theory. It depends on each case, the possibilities and circumstances. It is an attitude which the teacher must have and apply as well as he can, and better and better if

possible.”¹

3. And finally, to quote The Mother:

“I have told you these things, because you needed to hear them, but do not make them absolute dogmas, for that would take away their truth.”²

¹ *CWM*, v.12, p.378

² *CWM*, v.12, p.299

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