

One of the first steps I take when I'm planning for next year is to get a handle on what we've covered over the past few years.

Since I have three kids (and we tend to do our units together), I need to know what grades the kids were in when we covered a specific unit. The printable has room for 3 grades or another with just 2 grades.

I jot down the topics we covered, what category it falls under, and the grade of each of my kids... and any notes I might need for later. Maybe one unit was too hard for my youngest or was a review for my oldest, but not in much depth.

(Here are our last	couple of years.)
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Category	Topic	Grade	Grade	Grade	
AmHis	French & Indian War	2	5	7	24
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	England vs. France 800-1200			-	31
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	Renaissance – Artists & Patrons			-	
	Renaissance- Holy Roman Emp				
	Reformation – Martin Luther			3	
Am His	U.S. Presidents - Ronald Reagan				
Am His	Navajo History		s	2	
	Sioux and Cheyenne History				

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Category	Торіс	Grade	Grade	Grade	
AmHis	Slavery	3	6	8	· .
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	Civil War			2	2
Wld His	Ancient History - Story of the World	x			Review for older 2
	Ancient Sumer, Babylon, etc.				
	Ancient Egypt				
	China		2		
	Ancient Greece				8
	Ancient Rome		8	s	
	US Presidents Review Eisenhower				
Civics	Civics & Gov't Review				Review
Civics	Types of Gov't, Societies				Difficult for ED
Wld His	English Reformation – Henry VIII and his wives				т.
	Mary and Elizabeth				
	Elizabethan Age - Shakespeare				
Wld/Am	Age of Exploration			-	
	Age of Absolutism - Louis XIV				

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I do the same for science. Those examples are at the end of this packet (around pages 38-42). I did last year's science on paper, but might come back to add that into the file later. ③

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Grades 2, 5, 7 Year: 2015-16

Category	Торіс	Grade	Grade	Grade	
AmHis	French & Indian War	2	5	7	Challenging for ED.
	American Revolution				
Wld His	Middle Ages Vikings				
	King Arthur, Charlemagne				
	Medieval Church				
	Feudalism				
	England vs. France 800-1200				
Wld His	Renaissance – Medici				
	Renaissance – Artists & Patrons				
	Renaissance- Holy Roman Emp				
	Reformation – Martin Luther				
Am His	U.S. Presidents Review– Focus: Ronald Reagan – Touch on Cold War				Difficult for ED
Am His	Navajo History				
	Sioux and Cheyenne History				

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Grades 3, 6, 8 Year: 2016-17

Category	Topic	Grade	Grade	Grade	
AmHis	Slavery	3	6	8	
	Territorial Growth				
	Civil War				
Wld His	Ancient History – Story of the World	Х			Review for older 2
	Ancient Sumer, Babylon, etc.	X			
	Ancient Egypt	X			
	China	X			
	Ancient Greece	X			
	Ancient Rome	X			
Am His	U.S. Presidents Review – Focus: Dwight Eisenhower – Touch on Cold War				
Civics	Civics & Gov't Review				Review
Civics	Types of Gov't, Societies		X	X	Difficult for ED
Wld His	English Reformation – Henry VIII and his wives				
	Mary and Elizabeth				
	Elizabethan Age - Shakespeare				
Wld/Am	Age of Exploration				
	Age of Absolutism - Louis XIV				

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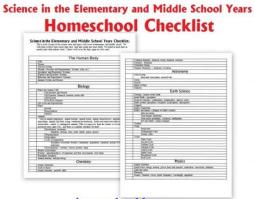
After filling out the sheets above from the last several years, what gaps do you notice? Are there topics you haven't covered that you should cover in the next year or two?

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Science	
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What new subjects should we add in nex	t year (or beyond)?
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How do I know what science or history topics/units to cover? I have a general checklist of topics I hope to cover K-8 that I shared on the blog some years back.

Science Checklist for Elementary and Middle School



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Homeschool History Checklist



Language Arts Homeschool Checklist



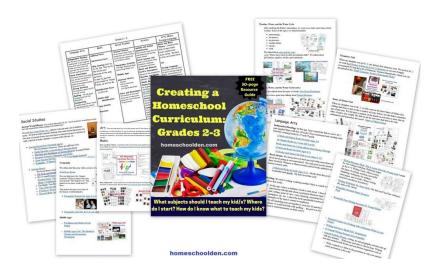
Foreign Language: Topics for Beginning Language Learners

Creating Your Own Homeschool Curriculum: These are some resources I made that might be helpful as you create your own homeschool plans. These are somewhere between 30 and 50 pages and are FREE to download:

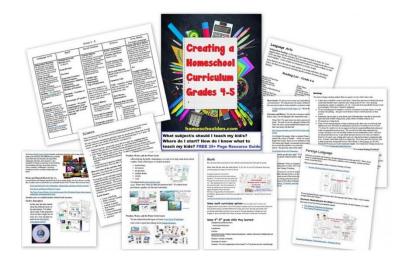
• <u>Creating a Homeschool Curriculum: Kindergarten – Grade 1</u>



• Creating Your Homeschool Curriculum: Grades 2-3, Resource Guide



• <u>Creating Your Homeschool Curriculum Grade 4-5 — Free Resource Guide</u>



I've used different types of pages as I'm planning for the next year. This file has been growing over the years and I'll probably add to it as I get into planning for high school (my oldest will be in 9th grade).

Remember, this file is a work in progress... I'm just kind of sharing it as is. Hope it's helpful. ~Liesl

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Homesch PreK Grade 2 Gr	Human Body Biology Chemistry	Astronomy Earth Science Physics STEM			
Category	Topic	Grade PreK	Grade 1	Grade 3	Notes
Biology, Invertebrates	Invertebrates – <u>Mealworms</u> While I talked about living and non-living with my youngest daughter, I had the older kids do some observation and writing and we went over the various systems of the worm. You can download our observation sheets by visiting the <u>mealworm post</u> .	X	X	X	Covered invertebrates in more depth (classification) with ED in Grade 2 again: <u>Animal Unit</u> Packet
Biology, Invertebrates, cont.	Earthworms, Planarian	Х	Х	X	
Vertebrates	Classification, PreK vertebrate cards	Х			
Chemistry	States of Matter <u>molecule movement</u>, <u>water molecules</u>, <u>acids and bases</u>, <u>building</u> <u>molecules</u> 		X	X	Went over this with ED in Grade 3 again: <u>States of</u> <u>Matter Packet</u>
Earth Science Rocks and Minerals	Rocks and Minerals: We did lots of hands- on activities everything from panning for gems to growing crystals to exploring the properties of rocksthe three types of rocks: sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks, famous rocks around the world (Montessori 3-part cards) and a <u>FREE 26 page packet on Rocks and</u> <u>Minerals.</u> (Includes PreK level materials)	X	X	X	
Human Body, Digestive System	Human Body, Digestive System (she participated in all of our hands-on activities): Again, ED was right in with us for all the hands-on activities we did in this unit like learning about the <u>different jobs</u> <u>our teeth have, how swallowing really</u> <u>works</u> , the true length of the digestive system, etc. I made lots of notebook pages as we worked through this unit.				

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Category	Topic	Gr K	Gr 2	Gr 4	Notes
Simple Machines	 Simple Machines Packet (About 30 pages) Simple Machines Packet Simple Machines Unit: Hands-On Activities on Levers wedges screws (including the Archimedes screw) pulleys – probably the kids' favorite day! wheel and axel 				
Earth Science, Water and the Water Cycle	 Water Unit: Free Worksheets on Water and Free Water Usage Page Immuno Water Usage Page Free Water and Water Cycle Resources (Really nice free water cycle posters we used for this unit) Water Cycle Review Sheets, Worksheets on Divides, Watersheds, Aquifers, and Ocean Drainage 				We used an Engineering Unit from the Museum of Science, Boston called <u>Water,</u> <u>Water</u> <u>Everywhere,</u> <u>Designing</u> <u>Water</u> <u>Filters</u> They also have FREE engineering units.

Earth Science,	FREE Earth Science Packet on the Layers of the		
Atmosphere	Atmosphere (19 pages)		
Weather	Free Weather Packet		
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	We did a huga unit all about Eags in April of this		
STEM, EggSperiments	We did a huge unit all about Eggs in April of this		
EggSperiments	 year. Fun STEM activities!! ☺ The Egg-speriment packet is FREE at the blog. Science EggSperiments: Just in time for Easter! (Part 1 of 4) 3 More Quick EggSperiments: How strong is that egg? (part 2 of 4) 4 More Science EggSperiments: (Part 3 of 4) Finally, it's here!! The Free EggSperiment Pack! Protect Your Egg – Seatbelt Safety Human Body Experiment – Protect That Brain! 		

Human Body

Biology

Chemistry

Physics

Astronomy

Earth Science

STEM

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Grades 1, 4, 6 Year: 2014-15

Category	Topic	Gr I	Gr 4	Gr 6	Notes
Earth Science	50 Page Earth Science Packet – Pangaea, Plate Tectonics, Plate Movement Activities, Volcanoes, Farthquakes, hands on activity ideas and more				
	 Earthquakes, hands-on activity ideas and more Earth's 4 Main Systems (Ecospheres) – Biosphere, Atmosphere, Geosphere, Hydrosphere These are free notebook pages about Earth's major systems. This makes a good introduction to any major study of Earth Science, the atmosphere, biosphere (habitats, biomes etc.) or oceans. Earth Science: Plate Movement Hands-On Activities Earth Science: Plate Movement Hands-On Activities Earth Science - Layers of the Earth Activity Learning about Latitude and Longitude, Using a Compass Earth Science: Plate Movement Hands-On Activities Free Earth Science Packet: Layers of the Atmosphere Learning about the Solar System – Including the hands-on kit the kids loved assembling and painting. Earth Science: Timeline of Earth Activity – A Montessori activity that is meant to impress kids with the enormity of time on Earth. Tissue Paper Volcano - Create a 3-D volcano image. The kids LOVED this craft Hands-On Volcano Activities: Gelatin Volcano & Paper Mache Volcano – We learned SO much from the gelatin volcano activity. I highly recommend doing this for understanding how lava flows as it does. How to Make a Shake Table: Earth Science EarthQuake Activity – This post includes a quick video of how we made our shake table. Earth Science: Layers of the Atmosphere 				

Earth Science Activities: Earthquakes, Plate Movement and Mountain Making		

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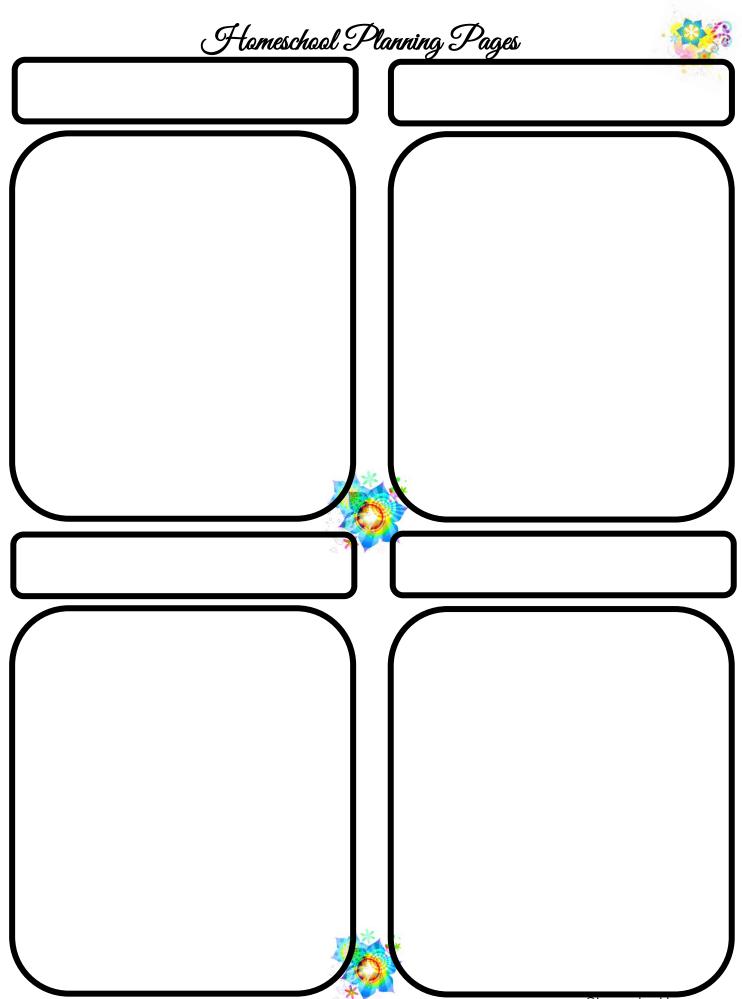


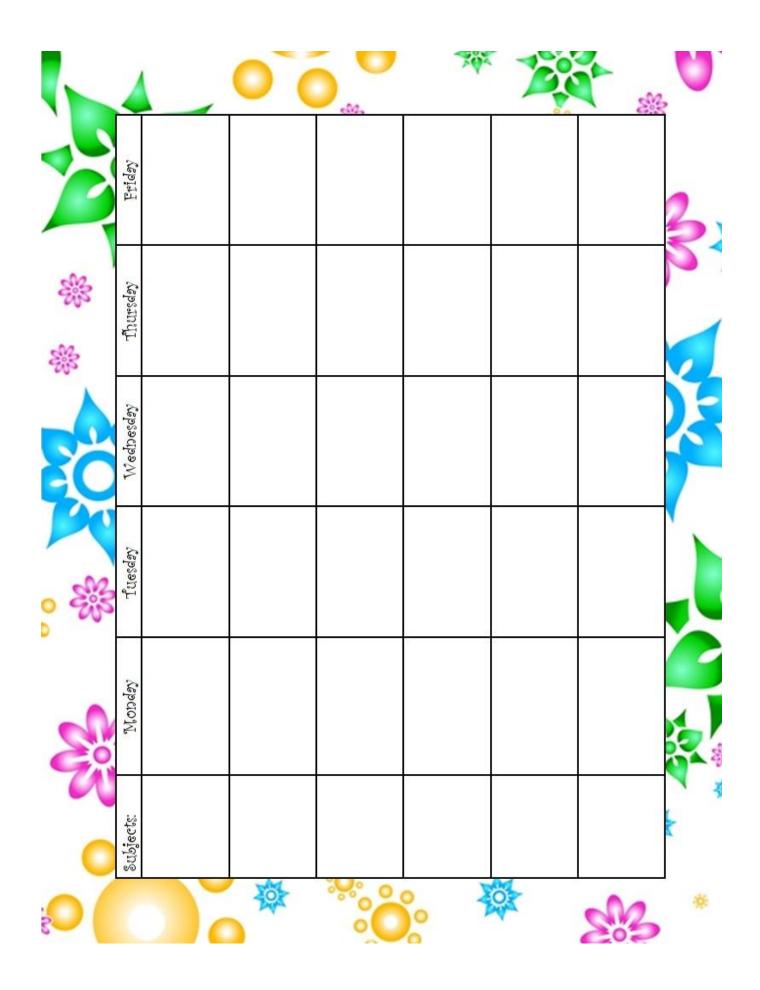
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