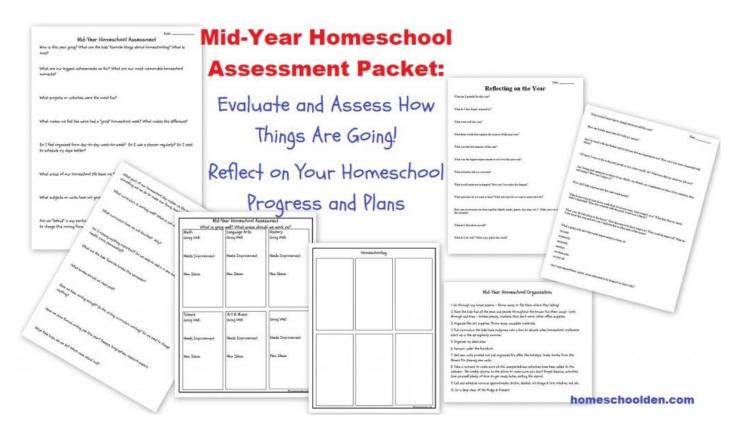
Mid-Year Homeschool Assessment Packet:

Evaluate, Reflect and Assess How Things Are Going!

Reflect on Your Homeschool Progress and Plans

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Mid-Year Homeschool Assessment Reflect on Your Homeschool Progress and Plans



In the picture above, you'll also see some of the (colorful/black-white) pages from our free <u>Homeschool Planner</u> and <u>Discovery Journal</u>.

I have pages from the <u>Free Printable Calendar 2017-2018 School Year</u> as well. I printed out 4 to a page so that I can just glance at dates/events. I have these in our online calendar, but sometimes I need to know things at a glance. A paper calendar works well for that.

If you are planning out your homeschool curriculum, you might be interested in these:

Free Curriculum Resource Guides: I have a series of *free* curriculum resource guides that are between 30 and 50 pages. These share some of the units and topics we covered at various grade levels (though I have three kids and we often do history and science together, so the age ranges are flexible!)

Creating your Own Homeschool Curriculum: Kindergarten, Grade 1 (a 50 page free resource guide) [ages 5-7] Creating your Own Homeschool Curriculum: Grade 2-Grade 3 (a free resource guide) [ages 7-9 or so] Creating Your Homeschool Curriculum Grade 4-5 — Free Resource Guide [ages 9-11 or so]



<u>Creating a Homeschool Curriculum for Grades 6-8 – Free Resource Guide</u> [ages 11-14 or so]

Mid-Year Homeschool Assessment

How is this year going? What are the kids' favorite things about homeschooling? What is mine?

What are our biggest achievements so far? What are our most memorable homeschool moments?

What projects or activities were the most fun?

What makes me feel like we've had a "good" homeschool week? What makes the difference?

Do I feel organized from day-to-day, week-to-week? Do I use a planner regularly? Do I need to schedule my days better?

What areas of our homeschool life leave me feeling stressed?

What subjects or units have not gone as planned? How can we improve?

Are we "behind" in any particular subject? If so, why am I feeling that way? What can we do to change this moving forward?

What curriculum is working well? What is not working well?

What curriculum have we not touched? Why?

Am I missing anything important? Do we need to add in a new subject/unit (like art, music, health, civics, penmanship)?

What are the kids' favorite books this semester?

What books should we read next?

Have we been writing enough? Is the writing curriculum working? Do we need to change anything?

Have we done formal writing yet this year? Essays, biographies, research papers

What field trips did we do? Which ones stand out?

Do the kids get along well? Do they bicker much? What can I do to help these dynamics?

Do the kids work hard? Do they ever have an attitude? Do they complain? Are things too easy, too hard, too boring, too monotonous?

How is our homeschool social life? Do the kids have good friends?

Are we over scheduled?

Do I have enough support? What elements of homeschooling leave me feeling the most insecure, stressed or drained?

Are we eating well as a family? What could we do to improve our nutrition?

Do the kids get exercise daily? Do they move around enough throughout the course of the day? Is there something we could add in once a week that would be a fun activity to get more exercise (racquetball, swimming, roller skating, bowling, indoor soccer, laser tag, hikes in the woods, museum trip, basketball, Wii Fit, indoor trampoline exercises, fitness DVD, Simon says, yoga)?

Do I get enough exercise? Do I sleep enough? Do I get enough time to myself?

How is the house? Are chores going well? Does everyone pull their weight? How can we all pitch in?

Family fun: What do we do for fun in our family? Will we remember these special times in five years? How can we add in more meaningful & memorable activities?

Date: _

Mid-Year Homeschool Organization

I. Go through any loose papers - throw away or file them where they belong!

2. Have the kids find all the pens and pencils throughout the house. Put them away! Look through and toss - broken pencils, markers that don't work, other office supplies.

3. Organize the art supplies. Throw away unusable materials.

4. Put curriculum the kids have outgrown into a box to donate when homeschool conference start up in the spring/early summer.

5. Organize my desk area

6. Vacuum under the furniture.

7. Get new units printed out and organized for after the holidays. Order books from the library for planning new units.

8. Take a moment to make sure all the unexpected/new activities have been added to the calendar. Set weekly alarms on the phone to make sure you don't forget lessons, activities. Give yourself plenty of time to get ready (when setting the alarm).

9. Call and schedule various appointments: doctor, dentist, oil change & tire rotation, vet, etc.

10. Do a deep clean of the fridge & freezer!

Reflecting on the Year

What am I grateful for this year?

What do I feel deeply inspired by?

What went well this year?

What three words best capture the essence of this past year?

What was the best memory of the year?

What was the biggest improvement in our lives this past year?

What obstacles did we overcome?

What would make me/us happier? How can I/we make this happen?

What activities do we want to drop? What activities do we want to make time for?

How can we increase our time together (family meals, games, day-trips, etc.)? Make sure we schedule thing on the calendar!

What do I like about myself?

What do I do well? What is my gift to the world?

How can I make more time for/with my spouse?

Am I in touch with the friends and loved ones that are important to me? How can I stay more connected with others?

If I knew I were to die in the next month or two, what would I do? What does that say about my life now?

Am I being truly generous to others (to my family, my friends, my community) in terms of my attention, time and energy? How can I improve?

How can I help someone else this next week/month?

If the house were to burn down, aside from loved ones/pets, what would I save? What does that say about what's important? Does this coincide with the goals we have as a family?

What's my favorite place in the house? Does this area look like I want it to? What could be improved? What do I like about this area and how can I replicate that in other parts of the house?

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our health

academically

emotionally

spiritually

our family goals

our daily life

Am I carrying problems, gripes, issues that need to be dropped (or dealt with)?

Date: _____

don't answer the phone during school hours don't get on the computer during our most productive hours ... and things like that!

Do we have any special plans for this next year? What do we need to make this happen (a trip, saving money and vacation time, etc.)?

Daydream about the future... What dreams do we have for the future as a family? How can we make this happen?

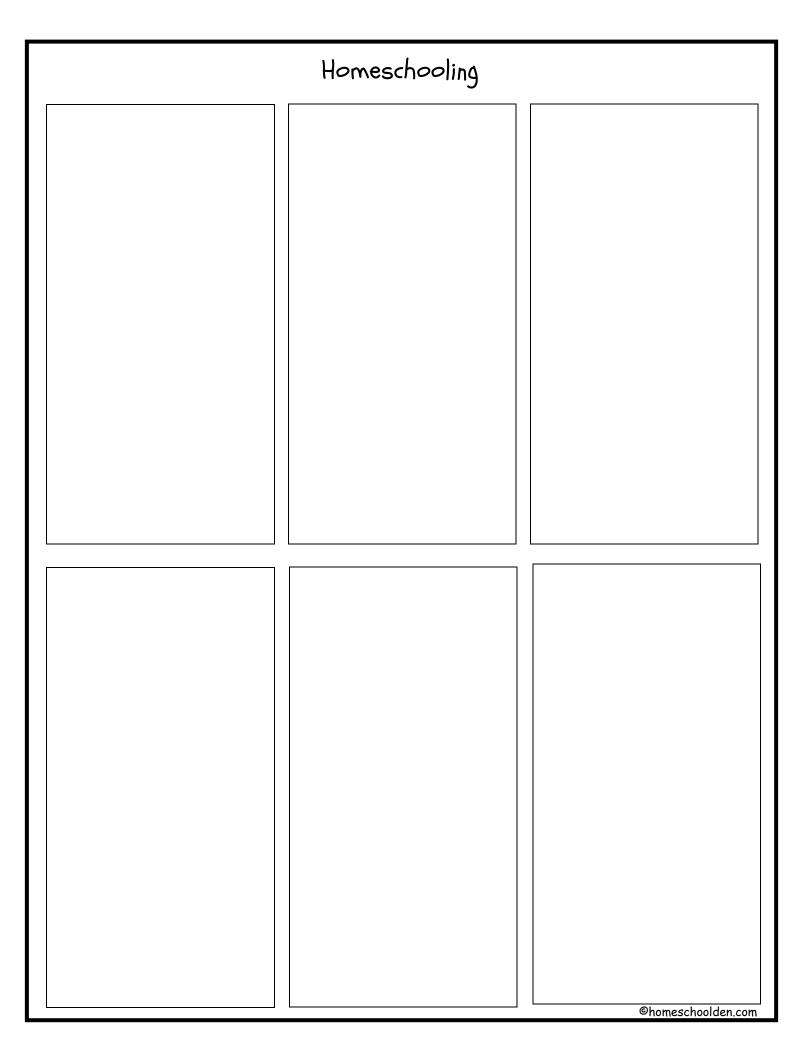
What legacy am I leaving behind?

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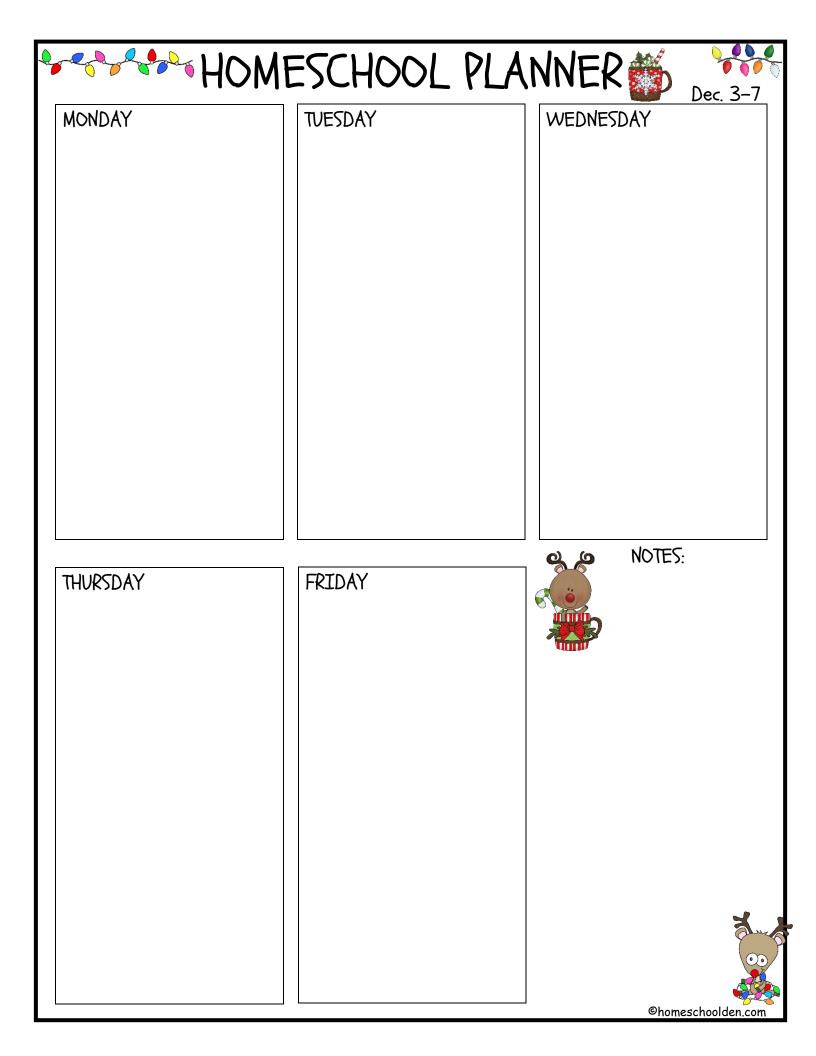
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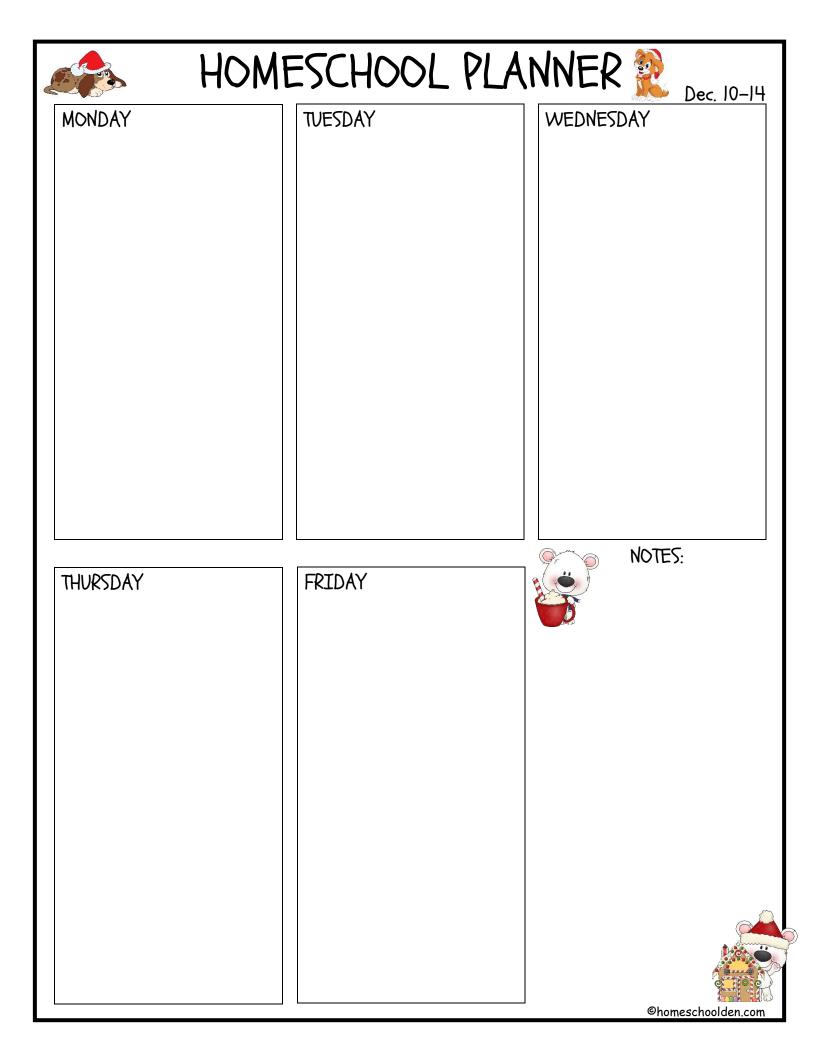


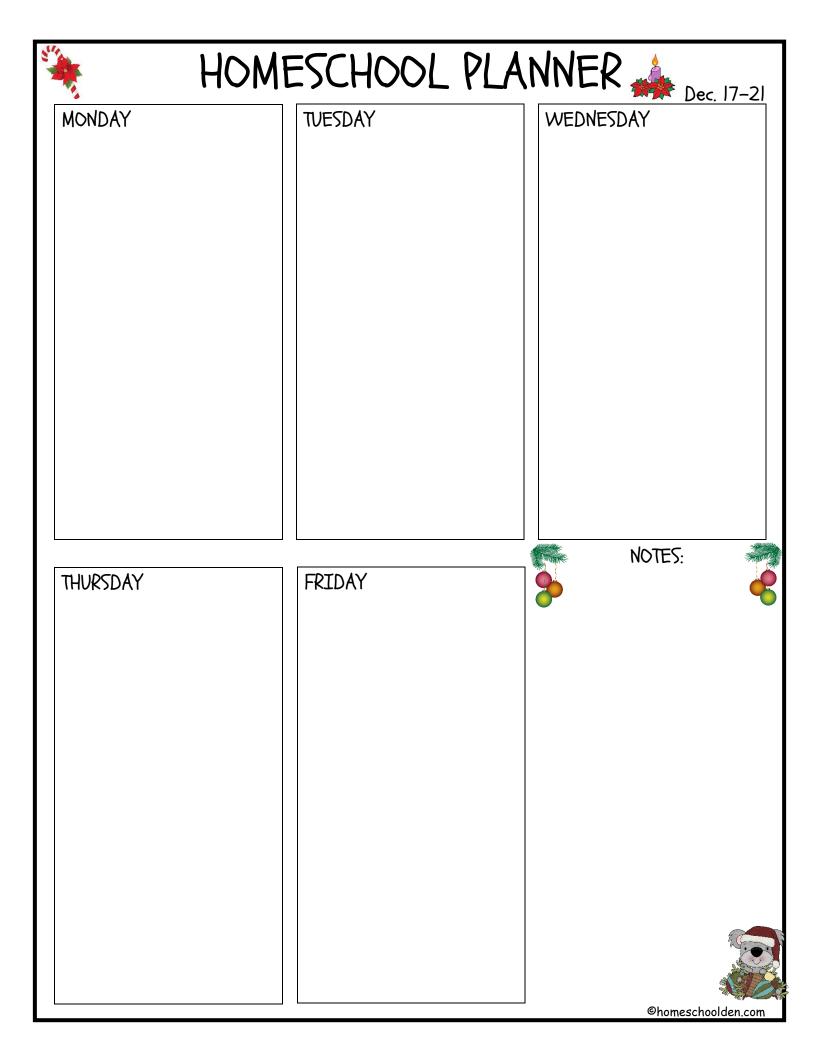
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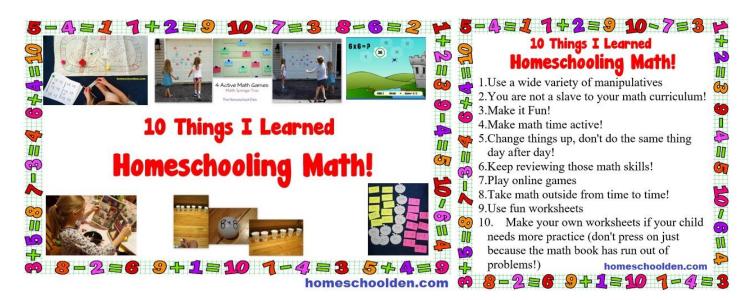
Homeschool Teaching Strategies and Hands-On Activity Ideas

Is your teaching still fresh and inspired or do you need to add in some new activities or try some new approaches to challenge and engage your kids? Be sure to check this free Homeschool Teaching Resource printable:

http://homeschoolden.com/hands-on-activity-ideas-homeschool-teaching-strategies/ and use it in conjunction with the next page. (*What Activities Can Boost Our Learning*)

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I hope this list helps you find some fun, engaging educational ideas to do with your kids! Happy Homescheoking! ~Lies! Note: Pages 4 and 5 is the same list as pages 6 to 11. Pages 6 to 11 includes photon, pages 4 and 5 have up pictures.	anada sah dapinda Profess Si Amanga daningi, panlagin, salpinan dan palan ta dara balan Manga

On a similar note, there is a post called <u>10 Things I Learned Homeschooling Math</u> – which also includes over 30 Hands-On Math Activity Ideas



http://homeschoolden.com/2018/10/14/10-things-ive-learned-about-homeschooling-math-and-30-math-activity-ideas/

What Activities Can Boost Our Learning?		
Math	Language Arts	History
Science	German	Art :

 Holiday Planning	
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History



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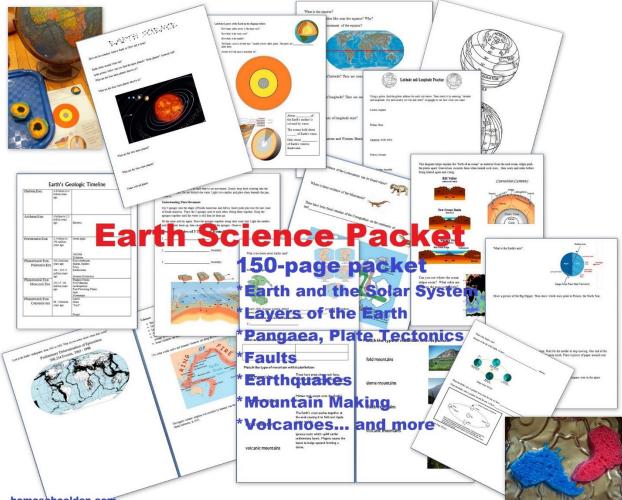


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Layers of the Earth **Interactive Notebook** Pages

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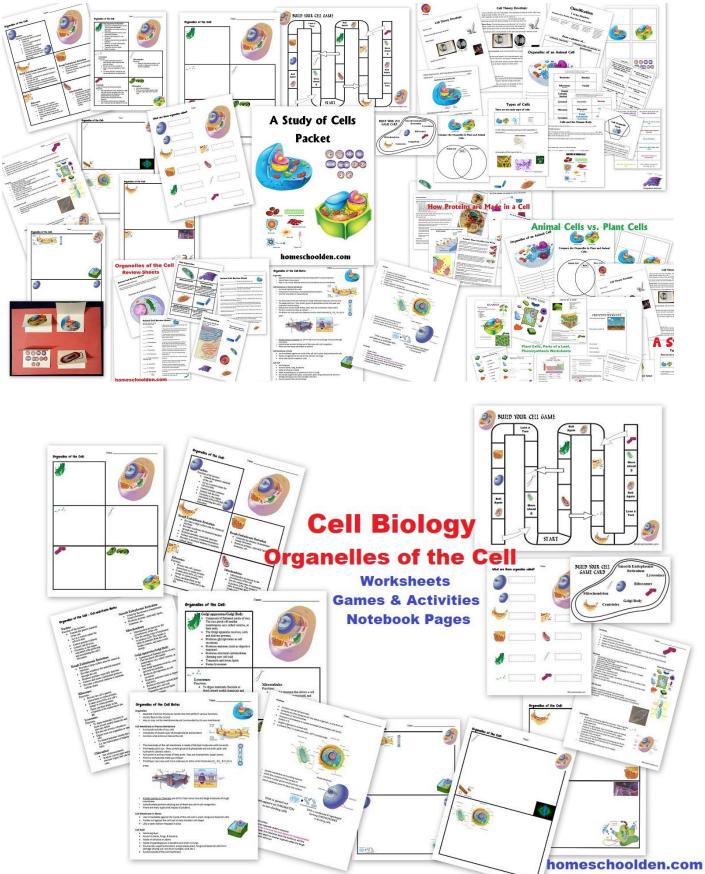


Layers of the Atmosphere Packet

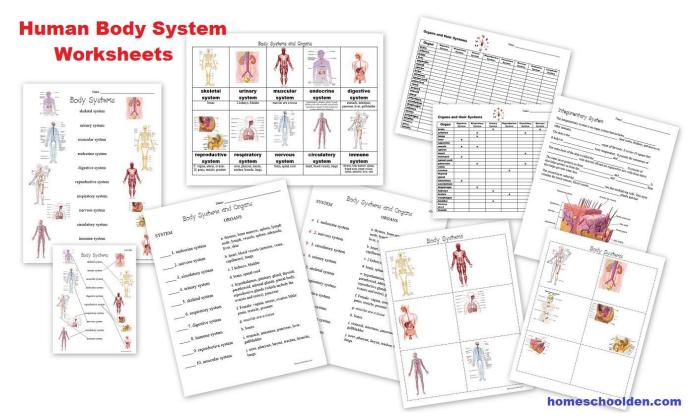


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<u>A Study of Cells</u> (100 pages) Cell Theory, Organelles of the Cell, Eukaryotic vs. Prokaryotic Cells, Plant vs. Animal Cells, How Proteins are Made, Cells of the Body



Human Body Systems (25 pages)



Skeletal System

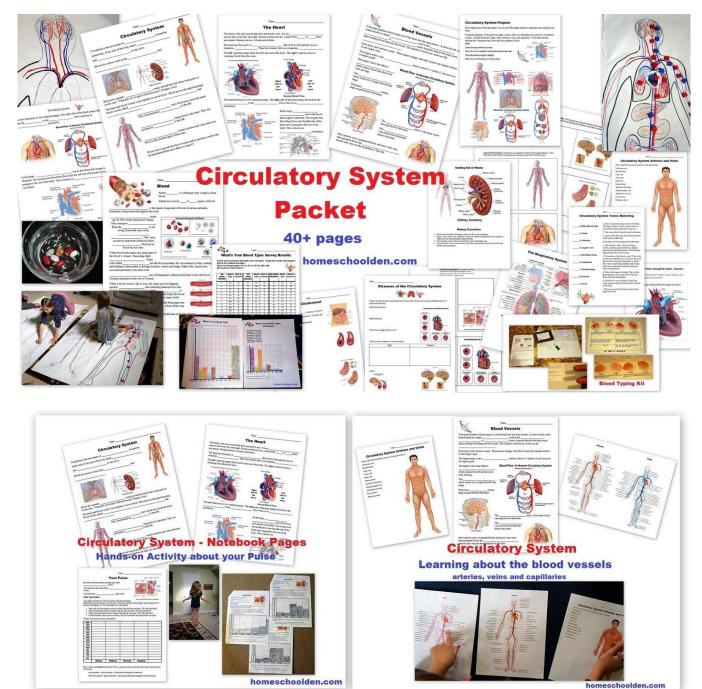


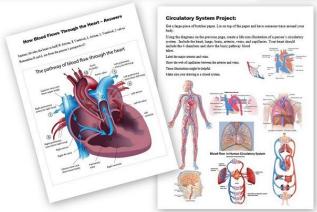
Digestive System Packet (75 pages)



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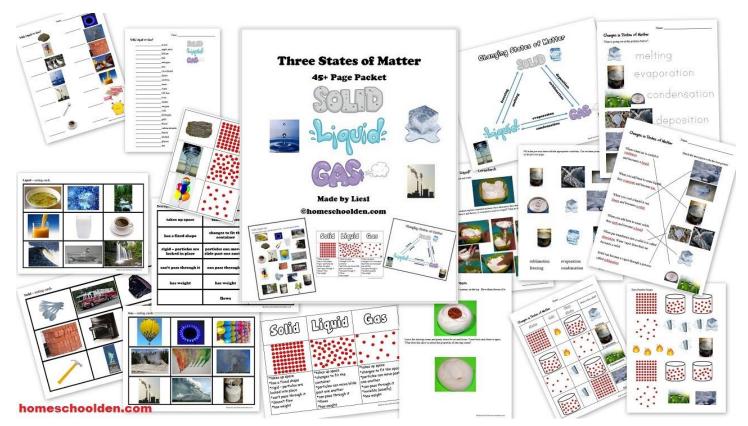
<u>Circulatory Packet</u> (40 pages)



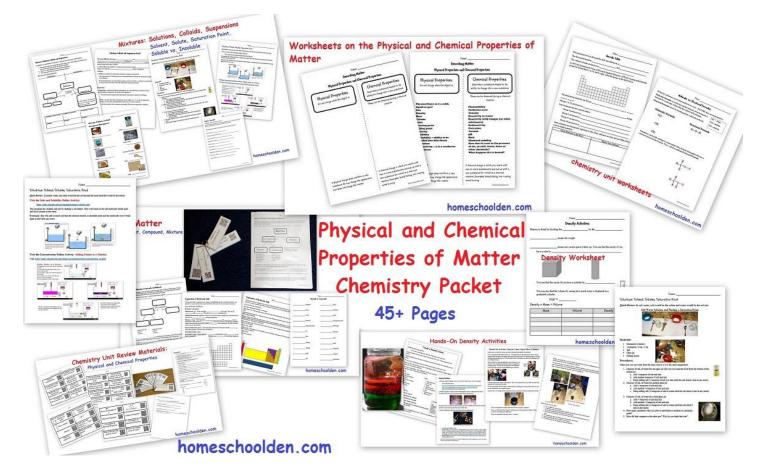




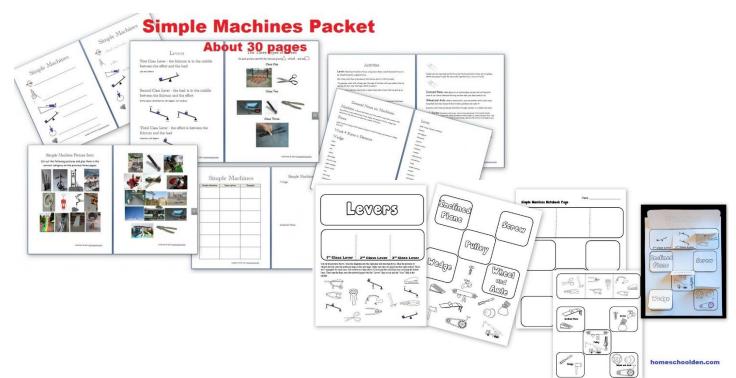
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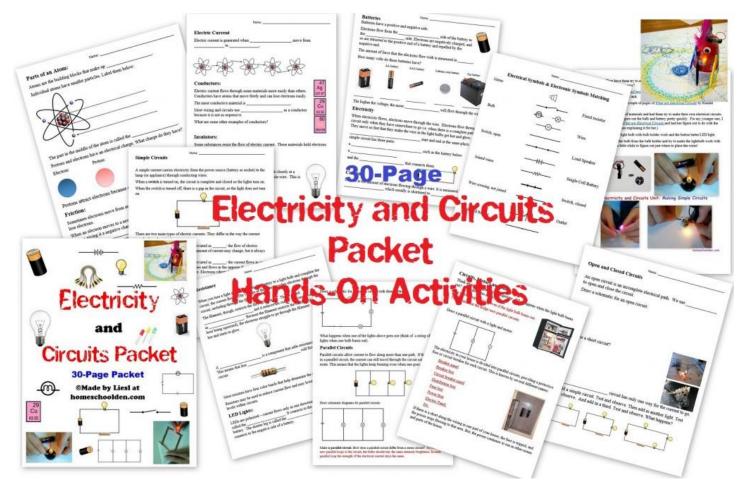
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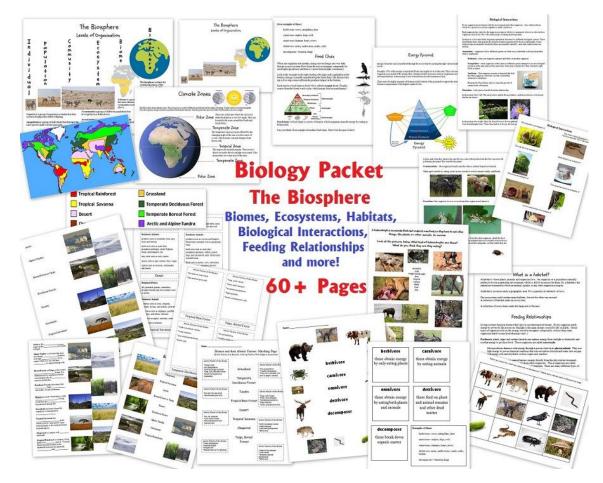


<u>Animal Packet</u> (Vertebrates-Invertebrates, Animal Characteristics and more)



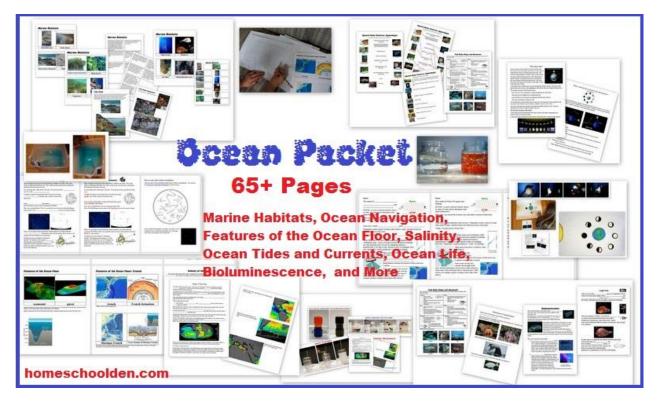
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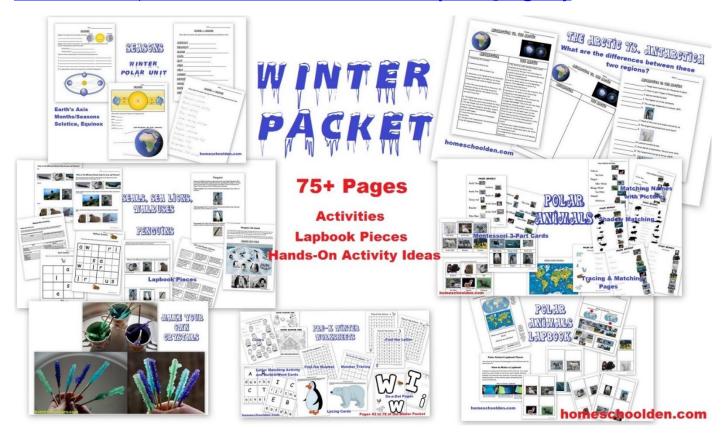




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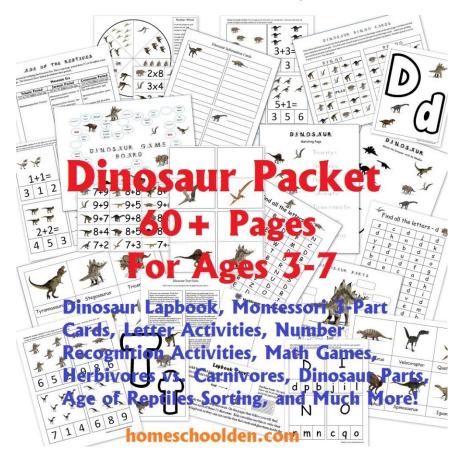
<u>Winter Packet: Earth's Axis/Seasons, The Arctic vs.</u> <u>Antarctica, Polar Animals and More (75+ pages)</u>



World Animals Packet 60+ page Packet

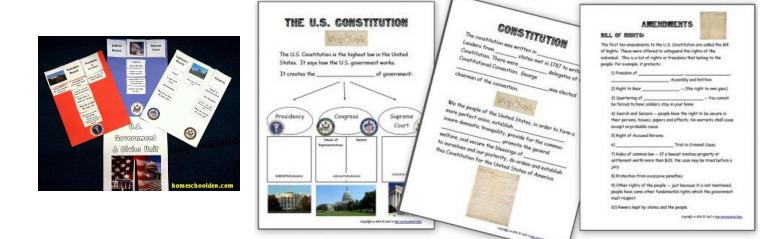


Dinosaur Packet 60+ Page Packet For ages 3-7 (60+ pages)



Civics and Government Unit (45 pages)









World Facts Packet Do your kids know the 4 largest countries? Which countries have the most people? The longest river? This packet covers basic world and U.S. facts.





PAGES INCLUDE: * Largest countries * Population facts * Major world religions * Facts about the US: largest/smallest state, capital, highest mountain, longest river, rivers & lakes sheet, largest cities, neighbors * Blank fact sheet pages for: Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, South Africa * Famous world landmarks

Part 2: Geographic Features, Landforms, Deserts of the World, World Landmarks and more!



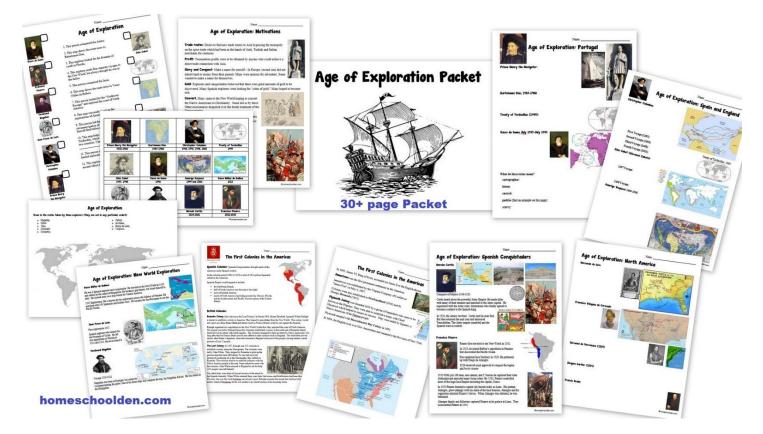
Geographic Features, Landform Words



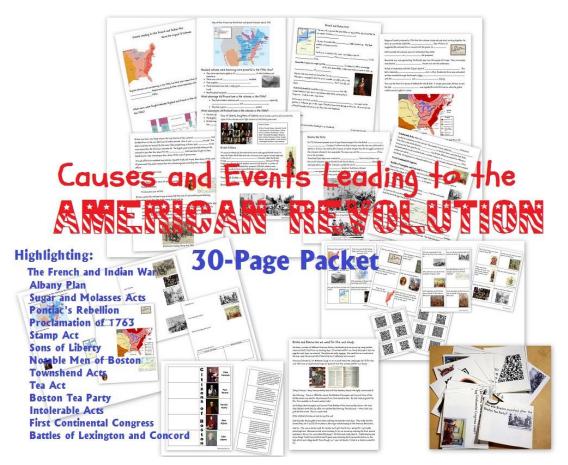
Part of the 70+ page World Facts Packet



Age of Exploration Packet



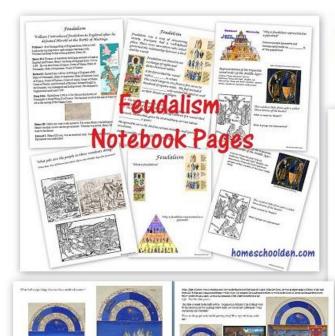
Causes and Events Leading the American Revolution Unit



Slavery and the Civil War Unit



Feudalism Packet



Middle Ages Unit Feudalism Activities





Feudalism Simulation Activity Draw cards and see what your fate is.



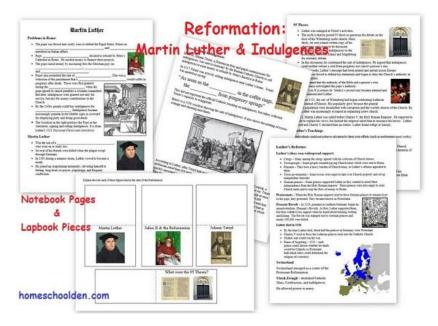
The "king" sat at the top of the hill in this castle. If you drew certain cards you had to run up the hill to serve the king. To the right, peasants are "working" hard in the fields.



Renaissance and Reformation Unit

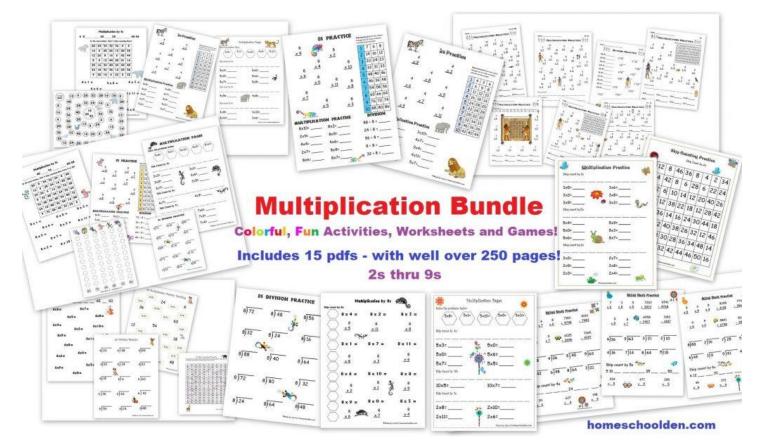






Learning the Multiplication Facts: As my daughter moved into learning her multiplication facts I looked around for the kind of multiplication practice that would help her. The math book she was using went through the math facts a bit too quickly for her. She needed quite a bit of repetition and wanted bright, colorful worksheets. I wound up making my own sets of practice pages and games. She loved that! Be sure to check out our Multiplication Bundle here at this post: Learning the Multiplication Tables 2s thru 9s (or see the purchase link to buy our bundle of 15= pdfs in Our Store) Here are some sample pictures:

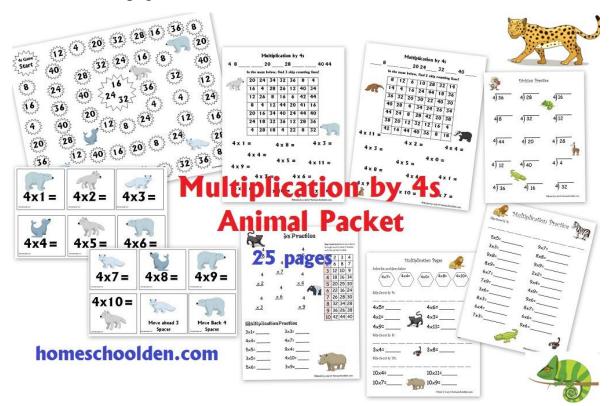
There are actually more than 250 pages... I keep adding to the bundle! ③



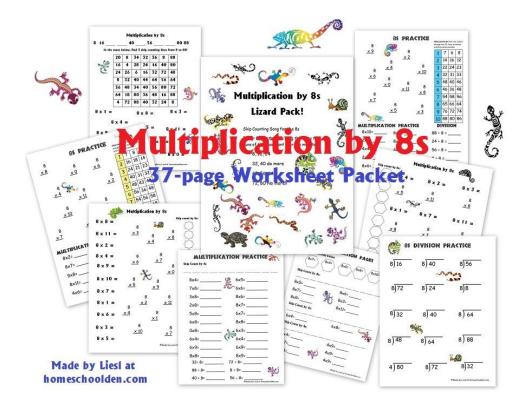
What order did my daughter learn her math facts? 2s, 5s, 10s, 3s, 6s and 7s (because those skip counting songs were easy for her!), 4s, 9s, 8s.



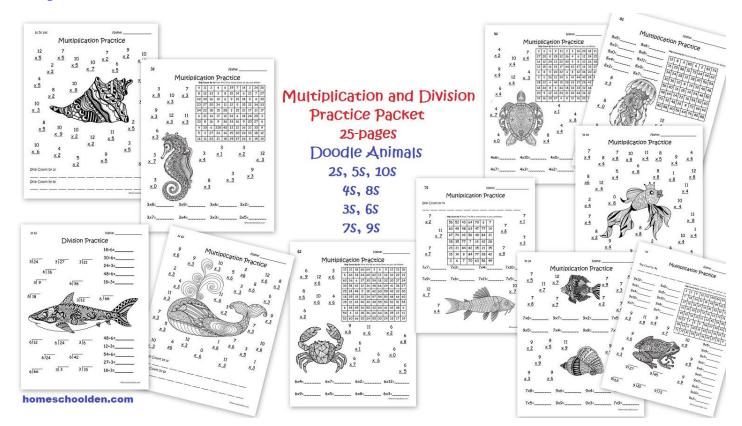
Here are some of the 4s pages:



And, here are some of the 8s.



Here is a glimpse of the Doodle Animal Multiplication Review Packet that is included in the <u>Multiplication bundle</u>:



<u>Learning the Multiplication Tables 2s thru 9s</u> or you can purchase our Multiplication Bundle in <u>Our Store</u>.