Art and Music

Art and music are two important parts of an education that can be studied and explored in an endless variety of ways. Unlike math or science, the learning objectives for art and music cannot be as neatly quantified or defined. The main goal of art and music is to enjoy them and use them to glorify God. We have many great classes on SchoolhouseTeachers.com that can help you do just that!

If you're interested in specific academic goals for art and music, you'll find some general guidelines listed on the following pages. It is often most helpful if you naturally incorporate art and music into other subjects whenever possible (such as studying the art of ancient Egypt or the music of Russia alongside history and social studies).

Whenever possible, take field trips (either physical or virtual) with your children to explore art and music in a living, breathing way. Visit a museum, enjoy a musical performance, watch tradesmen in action, and dig in and try as many styles and techniques as you have time and the opportunity to enjoy!

Keep in mind as you explore art that it can cover a wide variety of techniques and media. It includes drawing and painting, but it also includes animation, architecture, casting, ceramics, computer graphics and applications, construction, dance or other creative movement, digital arts, drama (including mime, storytelling, and technical aspects of theater), drawing, film, graphic design, improvisational music, instrumental music, metal sculpture, mosaics, photography, printmaking, sculpture, textiles and fiber art, and much more.

Another integral part of art and music studies is reading biographies of famous artists and composers. You can find suggested reading lists about architecture, music, art, and art history in our Monthly Book Lists for Families section by Michelle Miller. Enjoy!
Art and Music

1st-3rd Grade

Art

- Explore colors. Know the primary colors and how they are mixed to produce secondary colors. Understand intermediate colors. Understand the color wheel and learn about tints and shades.
- Start exploring elements of art including line, shape, texture, space, light, shadow, and value (lightness or darkness of a color) and start seeing how you can spot these in works of art. Understand foreground, middle ground, and background and how elements of art work together to create a focus or center of interest.
- Start becoming familiar with famous works of art by a variety of artists from a variety of time periods
- Understand the difference between portraits, still lifes, abstract art, and landscapes
- Draw a self-portrait
- Continue to experiment with many different types of media
- Begin learning to group paintings by artist

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Elementary Art-Lessons in Self-Portraits: five weekly lessons for 1st grade
All About Art: six weeks, 1st-3rd grade
All About Artists: six weeks (Unit Studies and More page) for 1st-3rd grade
Introduction to Colors: six lessons (Unit Studies and More page) in 1st grade
Elementary Art-Twelve Great Artists: 2nd grade
Achieving Art Success with ArtAchieve: Level I, 7 units each year of 2nd and 3rd grade; available through August 27, 2020, at which time we hope to renew
Elementary Art-Advent Art: 1st-3rd grade
Everyday Easels: eighteen weeks of material each year
Exploring the World of Art: three units (twelve weeks) for 3rd grade
(cont.)
Art and Music

1st-3rd Grade

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Let’s Do Art Outside: 20 outdoor arts and crafts projects for 1st-3rd grade
Our World Book Kids library includes fun art projects under Craft Room, Doodle and Design, and Paper Patterns. There’s also a webquest for 3rd graders about the pyramids.

In our Electives category, we also have Heritage Crafts (all ages), Photography (2nd-12th grade), and Hands-On Architecture (3rd-7th grade).
Art and Music

1st-3rd Grade

Music

- Become familiar with elements of music including rhythm, melody, harmony, pitch, dynamics, tempo, and timbre
- Know the definition of scale, staff, and treble clef
- Know the names of the lines and spaces on the treble clef
- Sing the C major scale (do, re, mi, fa, so, la, ti, do)
- Identify whole, half, quarter, and eighth notes and whole, half, and quarter rests
- Recognize and understand 4/4, 2/4, and 3/4 meter signatures and the symbols p, pp, f, and ff
- Enjoy and memorize traditional and fun songs
- Learn the four families of instruments in the orchestra (strings, brass, woodwinds, and percussion) and know which instruments belong to each
- Experiment with simple musical instruments
- Listen to music by various composers

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Music Theory I: sixteen weeks of the primary level in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd grade
Music Theory II: sixteen weeks of the primary level in 1st, 2nd, or 3rd grade
Music Mania: in the Unit Studies and More section
Great Musicians: twelve units for 1st, 2nd, or 3rd grade

Students may also enjoy the one-week Ditch the Desk study about Meaningful Music. Our World Book Kids library includes fun music projects under Make Some Noise.

Additionally, SchoolhouseTeachers.com offers Music/Voice, Recorder, Guitar, Drum*, and Violin lessons that can be started at any grade. Fun with Music also offers games for music terminology review for 3rd-12th grade. *Beginner Drum lessons are licensed through December 31, 2019, at which time we will work to renew the agreement.
Electives

We have included below a list of our elective courses and the recommended grade levels for each class.

**Heritage Crafts**: 8 units to be enjoyed as a family
**Homesteading**: dozens of topics to be enjoyed as a family
**Whole Foods Cooking with Sue Gregg**: 14 weeks to be enjoyed as a family
**Home Economics**: 23 weeks for K-4th grade; portions of this course are incorporated into the health scope and sequence for Kindergarten and 2nd grade
**Breadmaking Devotional**: 12 lessons for 1st-12th grade
**Fun with Cooking**: 28 lessons for 2nd-6th grade
**Hands-On Design Fun**: 41 lessons for 2nd-6th grade
**Hands-On Learning Activities Through Crafts**: ongoing series of units for 2nd-9th grade
**Photography** and **Photography Challenge**: 30 weeks plus 48 challenges for 2nd-12th grade
**Hands-On Architecture**: 27 weeks for 3rd-7th grade
**Architecture (Introduction)**: 37 weeks for 6th-12th grade
**Image Creation and Editing**: 36 weeks for 6th-12th grade
**Introduction to Graphic Design**: 17 weeks for 6th-12th grade
**Career Exploration**: 8 weeks for 7th-12th grade
**Filmmaking**: 33 weeks for 7th-12th grade
**Logic**: 15 weeks for 7th-12th grade
**Money 101**: 7 weeks for 7th-12th grade
**Social Justice**: 16 weeks for 7th-12th grade
**Personal Finance in Bite-Size Chunks**: 21 lessons for 7th-12th grade
**Starting a Micro Business (for Teens)**: 8 weeks for 8th-12th grade
**Accounting 101**: 18 weeks for 9th-12th grade
**College Choice Guidance**: 32 weeks for 9th-12th grade
**High School Home Economics**: 18 units for 9th-12th grade
**SAT-ACT Math Test Prep**: self-paced practice for 9th-12th grade
**Leadership 101**: more than 15 hours of videos and 600+ study questions for 10th-12th grade
Electives (cont.)

Business Plan Creation: 8 weeks for 11th-12th grade
You might also enjoy a four-week lapbooking unit for upper elementary and middle school all about the History of Photography.
English Language Arts

Language arts is a broad heading that can incorporate many subjects depending on the approach taken. It varies from one curriculum to another, but often found under language arts are phonics/reading, reading comprehension, handwriting, literature, writing and composition, grammar, listening and speaking skills, and research skills.

One important element of language arts curricula is that the skills learned early in an education (such as capitalization and punctuation rules) are continually used throughout the student’s journey. Even if the specific skills are not repeated in this scope and sequence each year, it is understood that the student is to continue to use what he or she has learned previously, reviewing as necessary.

Reading:

When possible, have your student read as many varied types of materials as he or she can. For prekindergarten and kindergarten emerging readers, creating a print-rich environment is important. Manipulating letters to sounds and sounds to words are the building blocks for reading. At this level, everything is readable—cereal boxes, signs, traditional text, names, etc.

In first-third grade, types of reading to become familiar with might include fiction, nonfiction, legends, fables, folktales, fairy tales, poetry, calendars, recipes, and hymns. In 4th-5th grade, this can expand to include classic and contemporary literature, magazine articles, and newspapers. By 6th grade, readers should be exploring novels, short stories, biographies, autobiographies, plays, essays, and the classics.
Pre-Reading/Reading/Phonics

There are many approaches to teaching reading. SchoolhouseTeachers.com has taken the skills listed for K-2nd grade and assembled them in an easy-to-follow format in our Literacy Center. The Literacy Center will walk you through the steps to reading, give you simple assessments you can do for various skills, offer teaching tips and ideas, and link you to the appropriate lessons on SchoolhouseTeachers.com. Teaching Reading Through Play is also an excellent, stand-alone kindergarten course that provides key foundational skills and is especially helpful for the highly active child. Independent Morning Work for Kinders provides numerous worksheets for additional review and practice.
Reading/Phonics

1st Grade

- Review of all sounds and blends learned
- Continue to build on phonics skills, learning skills such as recognizing the hard and soft c and g, silent consonants, silent e, and special phonics sounds
- Alphabetize words using the first letter only
- Learn about counting syllables
- Sound out one-syllable and two-syllable words
- Practice silent reading and reading aloud
- Identify and use contractions (such as aren’t, wasn’t, isn’t, and I’m) and convert them to their longer forms
- Know age-appropriate sight words
- Understand basic prefixes and suffixes

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

You can find these resources in the Literacy Center on SchoolhouseTeachers.com.
Reading Comprehension  
1st Grade

- Draw conclusions based on the story
- Identify cause and effect
- Compare and contrast two elements of the story
- Identify the main characters, their traits, and their motives
- Answer questions such as who, what, where, when, and why about what they have read
- Answer true/false questions about what they have read
- Be able to orally summarize what they have read
- Know the meaning of plot, setting, characters, hero, and heroine and be able to identify them in what they have read

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

You can find these resources in the Literacy Center on SchoolhouseTeachers.com.
Additional Reading Resources

**Ditch the Desk**: stand-alone units on Jack and the Beanstalk, the Emperor’s New Clothes, and writing your own fairy tale.

**Growing Readers**: activities to supplement *Owls in the Family* and *Pippi Longstocking*

**Adventures with Books**: suggested reading lists based on a theme and related activities you can do with your family to bring the stories to life

**Ditch the Desk**: Test Taking—Week 3 offers tips to make reading comprehension tests less stressful

Don’t the **Monthly Book Lists for Families**, which has book suggestions divided by grade level and topic.

You can find many more reading resources in the [Literacy Center](http://SchoolhouseTeachers.com) on SchoolhouseTeachers.com.
Schoolhouse Spelling provides a full K-12 spelling curriculum on SchoolhouseTeachers.com.

For extra spelling fun, explore the spelling-themed games that are part of the Everyday Games series.
Handwriting (K-3rd)

Kindergarten

Kindergarteners continue to build on the prewriting skills they’ve learned previously. They need to know how to hold and position paper and pencil, how to form their letters, and generally how to align and space their letters. They need to be able to print all the letters of the alphabet in upper and lower case, print their first and last names, and write simple words.

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Beginning Handwriting covers topics such as pencil grip, prewriting skills, letter formation, and tips and tricks for remembering which letter is which.

1st-2nd Grade

Handwriting in first grade focuses on improving the legibility of printed letters, words, and sentences. Spacing and alignment should gradually improve during this time.

3rd Grade

Cursive handwriting is often introduced in third grade.

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com (for 1st-3rd Grade)

Everyday Copywork brings your student penmanship practice, in both print and cursive, through copying Bible portions, excerpts of literature, historical selections, and much more. There are many different lengths, and the copywork varies in difficulty, so it is suitable for many ages. You will also find alphabet worksheets for the little ones who are just learning to print.
Writing and Composition

We encourage you to incorporate writing in as many subjects as you can. Students can write recipes, create historic journals, write instructions for how to program a computer, keep a journal, etc. The possibilities are endless and do not need to be confined to a portion of a language arts curriculum.

Sparking the Noggin: Creative Writing with Pictures is a fun encouragement for writers in 4th-7th grade, and Into the Elements is a 3-hour video course for 6th-10th grade about sharing life-changing truth by learning the storytelling lessons the Bible teaches.

Please note: The focus of the writing and composition section of this scope and sequence is on creativity and composition, not the physical act of writing. If your child struggles with the physical act of writing, please take a look at Judi Munday’s Special Needs Lessons 15 and 16 for alternative ways you can help your child express his or her thoughts.
Writing and Composition

Kindergarten

Since handwriting is still a developing skill at this stage, the focus here is more on creativity and composition. Encourage students to dictate sentences they compose and complete sentence starters you give to them. Spelling should not be corrected at this time. Students should be encouraged to “spell it as it sounds” to promote sound discrimination in words.

1st Grade

Students should practice completing sentences, short stories, and rhymes that they are given. They should practice writing descriptions of things they see or experience. They should practice creative writing by creating journal entries, stories, poems, newspaper articles, letters, or anything else they enjoy. They should also be gently introduced to the concept of the writing process—formulating ideas, writing a draft, revising and editing a draft, and creating the final piece. This should be done very naturally at this stage without causing the young writer stress or worry.

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Formal writing classes are not offered for these grade levels, as natural integration of creativity and composition is encouraged for this age.
Additional Writing and Composition Resources

**Writing Mechanics**: six-month course for elementary students designed to strengthen writing by improving one sentence at a time

**Ditch the Desk**: Test Taking—Week 1 offers tips to make writing tests less stressful for elementary students

**Daily Writing**: more than 1,500 writing prompts to encourage creativity, thinking skills, and writing skills for students in 4th-12th grade

**Writing On This Day In History**: collection of history-themed writing prompts for every day of the year; designed for 7th-10th grade
Grammar

1st Grade

First graders need to learn:

- basic rules of capitalization such as capitalizing the first word in a sentence, proper names, the pronoun I, days of the week, and months of the year
- a sentence starts with a capital letter and ends with punctuation, either a period, question mark, or exclamation point
- commas are used in dates and in series, and apostrophes are used in contractions and possessives
- the job of nouns, verbs, and adjectives
- how to make a complete sentence
- synonyms (same meaning words), antonyms (opposites), and homonyms (same sound words)
- adding s to regular nouns to make them plural
- an introduction to what syllables are
- the idea of comparative and superlative words
- how words use suffixes and prefixes
- what a compound word is

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Daily Grammar: 1st Grade: 108 daily lessons

Additionally, you may enjoy:

Little Language Arts: Lessons 14, 16, and 17 discuss nouns, pronouns, adjectives, and adverbs

Students can even have fun reading about grammar! Check out the Monthly Book Lists for Families all about Spelling and Grammar.
Listening and Speaking Skills

1st Grade

- Listen to, restate, and follow two- and three-step oral directions
- Read aloud to others
- Creatively reenact stories
- Memorize and recite short poems, rhymes, and Scriptures
- Listen for enjoyment to many kinds of stories, poems, nursery rhymes, folktales, etc.
- Listen to stories for comprehension, interpreting and answering questions about what the student has heard
- Dictating words, phrases, and sentences for someone to write down
- Describe an experience or share an idea

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Beginning Listening & Speaking Skills: 30 daily activities (6 weeks)
Additionally, you can find resources for listening for enjoyment and comprehension in the Literacy Center on SchoolhouseTeachers.com.
Research Skills

Kindergarten-2nd Grade

- Learn to identify the parts of a book: cover, title, title page, author, and illustrator
- Read a color key
- Find information using the table of contents, chapter headings, index, or glossary
- Understand the main difference between books that tell stories (fiction) and books that share information (nonfiction)
- Beginning dictionary skills including using guide words, understanding alphabetical order, learning about the parts of an entry, and using them to find definitions and check spelling
- Learn the basics of what a thesaurus is and how to use one to find synonyms and antonyms

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Several of these skills are covered in the SchoolhouseTeachers.com Literacy Center.

Little Language Arts: Unit 8 (Lessons 32-35) teaches students how to use common reference books; Unit 3: Lesson 10 introduces nonfiction writing

Ditch the Desk: stand-alone unit on becoming an author/illustrator
Health

Every curriculum approaches health a little differently. Some incorporate it with science from the very beginning. Some incorporate it with science and anatomy in higher grades. You may enjoy Michelle Miller’s Monthly Book Lists for Families selection for Healthy Reads! Famous Doctors, Nurses, and Researchers. Below, you will find an outline of some suggested health topics to incorporate each year.

You’ll find in-depth information about how to determine your child’s fitness goals and guide them on their way to developing and maintaining a healthy lifestyle in our Physical Education Center, where we have material for all ages. We’ll also help you set goals such as:

- Engaging in physical activity with competence and confidence
- Experiencing physical activity in a variety of environments
- Understanding the importance and benefits (physical, emotional, social) of a lifestyle that includes physical activity
- Incorporating regular physical activity into your family’s lifestyle
- Achieving and maintaining physical fitness
Health

Kindergarten

Understand that good nutrition, the right amount of sleep, hygiene, and exercise are important for our health.

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Home Economics: Weeks 1-4 incorporate these topics.
Kindergarten Health: six weeks

Additionally, SchoolhouseTeachers.com offers Nourishing Nuggets, Family Nutrition, and Family Fitness classes that are designed to be done as a family with adaptations for children of any age.

1st Grade

Continue learning why good nutrition and hygiene, and the right amount of sleep and exercise, are important for your health. Learn how to take care of your teeth, how to have good posture, and how to take care of your body, clothes, and home. Learn how to stay safe at home and away from home (Stranger Danger, on the playground, etc.). Understand how to use good manners at home and in public.

On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Growing Healthy in First Grade: 9 weekly lessons

Students may also enjoy Learning Ladders—Play Sports, a stand-alone eBook in our Unit Studies and More section

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History

1st Grade (Traditional)
Early American History (pre-Columbian period to the US Constitution)

Develop a deeper understanding of Early American History by continuing to learn about:
- Columbus and Native Americans
- Early Spanish and English settlements
- Historical figures such as John Smith, Pocahontas, Squanto, Daniel Boone, Lewis and Clark
- Famous Americans such as Johnny Appleseed, Davy Crockett, and those connected to holidays
- National symbols and figures: US Flag, president, vice president, patriotic songs, and other symbols
- American folktales such as Paul Bunyan, Pecos Bill, John Henry
- Early wars including the French and Indian War and American Revolution
- The problem of slavery

1st Grade (Classical)
Ancient History (from Creation to AD 476)

Demonstrate knowledge of writings, ways of life, government, wars, and major contributions of this period including:
- The lands and events of the Old Testament period including Creation, the Flood, the Tower of Babel, the patriarchs, the period of the Exodus, the reign of King David, the Divided Kingdom of Israel, the fall of Israel to Assyria and Babylon, and the Exile
- Mesopotamians and Sumerians
- Ancient Egypt including Nefertiti, Tutankhamen, and Ramses II
- Ancient China including the Shang and Zhou Dynasties
- Ancient Greece including Homer, the Olympic Games, Athens and Sparta, the Golden Age of Athens
- Ancient Rome including its founding and the birth of the Roman Republic
- The Golden Age of India
History

1st Grade
On SchoolhouseTeachers.com

Traditional:
ABC with Me: History: 26-week introduction to figures in American history
American History for Beginners: 34 weeks covering Columbus to the US Constitution
Discovering American Folktales: 6 weekly lessons

Classical:
Ancient History for Elementary: 36 weeks covering the key objectives listed except for the New Testament period. The lands and events of the New Testament period including the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Early Church, and the missionary journeys of Paul are covered in a variety of our Bible classes.
Additional History Resources

This Day in History: (all ages) collection of resources to bring history to life every day of the year
Hands-On Notebooking Across the United States: state-by-state notebooking adventure for K-2nd
Learning Ladders: Famous Buildings: stand-alone eBook in our Unit Studies and More, designed for 1st-2nd grade
Learning Ladders: Inventions: stand-alone eBook in our Unit Studies and More, designed for 1st-2nd grade
American History in Picture Books: this series of activities and discussion questions based on picture books is a great introduction to history for students in 1st-5th grade
Lapbooking Through the Ages: 13 lapbooks for 1st-5th grade on a variety of history topics
All About Inventions: this short unit for 2nd-5th grade on our Unit Studies and More page takes a fun look at the history of some modern inventions like glue, bubble gum, and more
Presidents of the Past: a short unit for 2nd-5th grade discussing select presidents from Washington to Nixon can be found in our Unit Studies and More section
Summer Olympics: one-month unit study for 2nd-6th grade on our Unit Studies and More page
Life of Abraham Lincoln: 12-week study for 2nd-9th grade
The Submarine: A Legend Before Its Time: stand-alone unit study for 3rd-7th grade on our Unit Studies and More page
Fashions in History: 11 weekly lessons plus numerous optional extension activities
A Timeline of Hieroglyphics to Hypertext: A Timeline of the Written Word: stand-alone eBook in our Unit Studies and More, designed for 4th-6th grade
A Timeline of Smoke Signals to Smartphones: A Timeline of Long-Distance Communication: stand-alone eBook in our Unit Studies and More, designed for 4th-6th grade
A Timeline of Stargazing to Space Travel: A Timeline of Space Exploration: stand-alone eBook in our Unit Studies and More, designed for 4th-6th grade
Liberia: Land of Liberty: stand-alone unit study for 4th-6th grade on our Unit Studies and More page
History of Air Travel: five eBooks in our Unit Studies and More, designed for 5th-6th grade
Native American History: An Introduction: eighteen weeks designed for 7th-9th grade
Writing On This Day In History: collection of history-themed writing prompts for every day of the year; designed for 7th-10th grade
History Quizzes and Activities: numerous units for 7th-12th grade*
Additional History Resources (cont.)

**Women Through History**: twenty-nine weeks for 8th-12th grade  
**Church History**: twelve weeks for 9th-12th grade  
**History of Christianity**: video-based course for 9th-12th grade exploring the impact of Christianity on various points of history  
**Heroes: Saving Jewish Lives from the Nazis (VIDEO)**: 9th-12th grade  
**Magna Carta Unlocked (VIDEO)**: four-hour video documentary for 9th-12th grade  
**This Changed Everything (VIDEO)**: three-hour video documentary about the Protestant Reformation with study guide for 9th-12th grade  
**WWI Military Chaplains (VIDEO)**: documentary for 9th-12th grade  

You may also enjoy **Michelle Miller’s recommended reading lists for Black History Month, Courage, Hero Hurrah! and World War II**.

Our World Book Student library has a **biography center** where you can search more than 10,000 famous people or generate lists of people based on gender, job or achievement, country or cultural heritage, and time period. For example, students could find female explorers or male English scientists of the 1800s.

Our **World Book Timelines library** includes hundreds of timelines, thousands of events, and the ability to build or customize your own timeline. Some of the premade timelines include timelines of US, African, Asian, Australian, Canadian, European, Latin American, Middle East, and New Zealand history; US military history; the history of explorers; world history; history of science and inventions; and the history of literature.

Our World Book Advanced library includes a **Teaching with Documents** series of lessons on military history from Charlemagne to Vietnam.

*One possible way to use the history quizzes as part of your curriculum is to use the answer key as the lesson to spark independent research. For example, using the Campaign Slogans quiz, students can learn who said slogans such as, “A New Deal,” “The Silent Majority,” and “Return to Normalcy” and then use that knowledge as a springboard to learn more about these presidents, what their slogans mean in an historical context, and why they resonated with people.*
Geography

Some curricula treat geography as a subject separate from history in K-8th grade, while others incorporate it into historical studies. For example, any time the nation of China is studied is a perfect time to explore the physical characteristics and boundaries of the nation. This makes geography interesting and relevant for the students. However, there is some basic geography that can be studied independently from historical studies. Here are some of the goals included in various curricula.

You may also enjoy Michelle Miller’s Monthly Book Lists for Families selections for Africa, Florida, and Travel.
Geography

1st Grade

- Learn about different types of maps (atlases, globes, etc.)
- Learn how to understand a basic map key (water, land, rivers, etc.)
- Learn about the compass rose and cardinal directions (north, south, east, and west)
- Memorize the seven continents and where they are on a map
- Memorize the five oceans and where they are on a map
- Locate the United States, Canada, and Mexico on a map

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All About Maps: Unit 1: self-paced unit
All About the World: Unit 1: self-paced unit
Living Geography: 16 weekly lessons

Our World Book Early World of Learning library has short videos about places around the world.
Our World Book Kids library includes two mapping your environment projects under Doodle and Design.

Additionally, SchoolhouseTeachers.com has a number of supplemental geography resources for your family to enjoy. You will find these on the page titled Additional Geography Resources that is included with this scope and sequence. There are printable maps, outline maps and flags, an atlas, interactive maps, and more in the map resources featured in several of our World Book libraries and fun geography games in our World Book Kids library.
Additional Geography Resources

Everyday Explorers-Australia/New Zealand: 7 monthly units for K-12th grade
Everyday Explorers-Canada: 11 monthly units for K-12th grade
Everyday Explorers-USA: 17 monthly units for K-12th grade
Exploring Elementary World Geography: 7 units for 1st-4th grade
A Splash of Geography: 12 monthly units for 1st-12th grade
Ayo’s Awesome Adventures Around the World for Kids: 10 eBooks for 2nd-4th grade
Asia: Trade Route Safari (also included with Additional History Resources): 38 weeks for 2nd-5th grade
Wonders of the World: 5 weeks for 3rd-5th grade
Let’s Visit Denmark: 9 week-study for 3rd-6th grade
Lapbooking: 4-week unit on London and Buckingham Palace for 3rd-7th grade
Get to Know Australia: webquest for 5th-8th grade
Geography Quizzes and Activities: numerous units for 7th-12th grade*
Kinetic Connections: offers tips to help parents teach geography to hands-on learners
Trek to the Holy Land and Beyond: video series for middle-high school
Geography of the Bible: video series for high school

There are further resources in our Unit Studies and More section including Cruisin’ the Country, Geography Study with George Frederic Handel, Geography Study with Missionary William Carey, Military Geography, Physical Geography of Africa, and Travel the World.

*One way to use the geography quizzes as part of your curriculum is to use the answer key as the lesson to spark independent research. For example, using the Commodities quiz, students can learn that Venezuela exports iron ore, Russia exports natural gas, etc. They can use that as a springboard to learn more about these specific countries and exports, write a paragraph or more on each, and then take the quiz at the end.
Social Studies

Some curricula treat social studies as a subject separate from history, while others incorporate it into historical studies. The ways in which social studies can be combined with history are virtually endless. When you study a period in history, look at as many aspects of daily life as you can. What jobs did people have? What were their families like? What kinds of homes did they live in? Here are some specific goals included in various curriculums that do not always fall into a course of historical studies.
Social Studies

Kindergarten-1st Grade

- Your family structure
- Community helpers
- Community jobs and how they function (fire and police stations, post office, bank, newspaper, public transportation, telephone company, garbage disposal, etc.)
- American holidays and celebrations
- Things that make you special and unique
- Life on a farm

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Many of these topics are covered in the 34-week course Kindergarten Social Studies. Additional topics are studied in the 9-week course Exploring Social Studies for Beginners. Firefighters, law enforcement, and EMTs are discussed in the 3-week study Hometown Heroes for 1st-3rd grade. You can also learn about community helpers with Who Are Community Helpers? as well as the Community Helpers eBook, Community Helpers Coloring Book, and Learning Ladders—Jobs to Do eBook, available in the Unit Studies and More section. Our World Book Early World of Learning library has short videos about people and occupations; the Know It section has interactive learning tools about people at work.

This is also a perfect time to incorporate field trips so students can see first-hand how their community works.

You may also enjoy Michelle Miller’s recommended reading lists for Patriotism and Courage.
Citizenship

Some curricula treat and include with its history/social studies for K-6th grades specific goals regarding teaching citizenship. This can be done in a structured way or in an unstructured way as you discuss voting, respecting authority, working together, and other such topics. Here are some of the goals included in various curricula.
Citizenship

Kindergarten

Understand why families and groups of any kind need rules. Talk about why it’s important to work together. Discuss the kind of rules that keep people safe and happy.

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Safety rules and signs, civic leaders, and authority figures are discussed in the 34-week course Kindergarten Social Studies. You may also enjoy Michelle Miller’s recommended reading lists for Civics, Parts One and Two.

1st Grade

Talk about the types of rules your community has (speed limits, where to ride bicycles, etc.). Discuss why they are important and how they help keep things orderly and safe and help people avoid or deal with conflicts. Memorize the Pledge of Allegiance. Talk about who your community, state, and national leaders are and what their jobs are.

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Exploring Citizenship in First Grade: 9 weekly lessons

You may also enjoy Michelle Miller’s recommended reading lists for Civics, Parts One and Two.
Economics

Some curricula treat and include with their K-6th grade history/social studies specific goals regarding the teaching of economics. This can be done in a structured way or in an unstructured way as you discuss daily life, budgeting, the needs of the household, and other related topics with your children. You may enjoy Michelle Miller’s Monthly Book Lists for Families selections for Entrepreneurship & Work Ethic and Thrift & Resourcefulness. Here are some of the goals included in various curricula.

Additionally, for students in 7th-12th grade, SchoolhouseTeachers.com offers:

- **Inventions and Discoveries: Economics**: eBook for 5th-8th grade in the Unit Studies and More section
- **Economics**: 16 weeks for 7th-12th grade
- **Free Market Economics**: 24 weeks for 8th-12th grade
Economics

Kindergarten

Discuss the difference between a need and a want. Talk about how to tell them apart and how to choose between them. Learn about some of the jobs people do to earn money and provide for their families.

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These topics are incorporated into the 34-week Kindergarten Social Studies course.

1st Grade

Talk about scarcity of goods and what it means. Discuss how there is not an unlimited supply of various resources. Talk about what it means to save money. Discuss how people can utilize the barter system/trade things other than money (such as time, resources, skills, etc.) for the goods that they need.

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Elementary Economics for First Grade: 9 weeks
Math

1st Grade

Recognize, name, and write numbers 1-1,000
Understand greatest and least using symbols <, >, and =
Simple story problems
Represent a picture with a number sentence
Tell time to the nearest five minutes
Subtraction facts through 13
Using a rule to complete a table
Add three one-digit numbers with regrouping
Addition facts through 13
Identify numbers as odd or even
Place value: ones, tens, hundreds
Three-digit addition with carrying
Expanded form of numbers
Subtract zero rule
Review ordinal numbers
Counting and combining coins
Number sentences (equations) and vertical form
Count and write backward by tens, fives, and twos
Two-digit subtraction with no regrouping
Number words zero to twenty

Divide circles and rectangles into equal parts using the concepts of simple fractions 1/2 and 1/4
Understand basic terms of measure (pounds, minutes, feet, quarts, meters, inch, centimeter, Fahrenheit, Celsius)
Draw and create plane shapes (circle, square, triangle, and rectangle) and name their attributes such as sides and corners
Understand commutative, associative, and identity properties of addition
Draw and create solid shapes (sphere, cylinder, rectangular prism, cube, and cone) and name their attributes such as corners, faces, and curved sides
Simple word problems and charts: organize, represent, and interpret data on tables, tally charts, bar graphs, and pictographs
Continue written skip counting patterns by tens, fives, threes, and twos

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Starting Out with First Grade Math: 36-week course covering the traditional topics listed above

Additionally, SchoolhouseTeachers.com has How to Teach Elementary Math, Kinetic Connections, and Hands-On Math Help with Cuisenaire Rods to help parents teach elementary math skills. There are hundreds of fun printable games to help reinforce elementary math concepts in Everyday Games, and a number of additional supplemental math resources for your family to enjoy. You will find these on the page titled Additional Math Resources that is included with this scope and sequence.
Additional Math Resources

Monthly Reading Lists: book lists for Math at various reading levels
Let's Do Math Outside: 24 worksheets and activities for 1st-4th grade
Teach Kids Algebra: help introducing algebra concepts to younger elementary students
Algebra for Kids: 13 lessons for 2nd-3rd grade
Ditch the Desk: Weeks 3-4 of Spring unit for 2nd-5th grade
Ditch the Desk: Week 2 of Test Taking unit for 2nd-5th grade
Multiplication Workshop: variable length for 3rd-5th grade
Decimal Workshop: 10 lessons for 3rd-5th grade
Multiplication and Division Practice Unit: 24 lessons for 3rd-5th grade
Whole Numbers Place Value: 11 lessons for 3rd-5th grade
Ditch the Desk: Baking with Math single unit for 3rd-5th grade
Fraction Workshop: 12 lessons for 3rd-6th grade
Middle School Math Help: Fractions, 4-week unit for 3rd-6th grade
Daily Math: more than 200 supplemental worksheets for 3rd-8th grade reviewing a wide range of skills
Doodles Do Math: 79 daily lessons for 4th-6th grade
Middle School Math Help: Equations, 4-week unit for 4th-6th grade
Middle School Math Help: Probability and Statistics, 3-week unit for 4th-6th grade
High School Math Help: Finding Areas Using Reasoning, single unit for 10th-12th grade
High School Math Help: Pythagorean Theorem, 5-lesson unit for 10th-12th grade
High School Math Help: Finding Areas Without Formulas, 5-lesson unit for 10th-12th grade
High School Math Help: Lesson on Pi, 2-lesson unit for 10th-12th grade
Focused Learning Center-Math: round up of all math resources on the site plus extra teaching helps
Science

1st Grade

Life Science
• Plants
  • Key vocabulary: seeds, bulbs, flower, pistil, stamen, stem, roots
• Animals
  • Types of animals: zoo, circus, farm, pets, woodland, birds
  • Habitats
  • Classification of animals
• Five Senses
• Anatomy
  • Introduction of body systems and their roles

Earth Science
• Volcanoes
• Weather
• Seasons

Physical Science
• States of Matter
  • Key vocabulary: solid, liquid, gas, mixture, sink, float
• Types of Energy
  • Key vocabulary: heat, light, transparent, opaque, reflect, sound, vibrate
• Astronomy
  • Key vocabulary: sun, moon, planets, day, night, revolve, year
• Static Electricity
• Magnetic vs. Non-Magnetic
• Temperature
Science

1st Grade
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Life Science
- **Nature/Outdoors**: four-week study of traveling seeds; four-week study of wildflowers; four-week study of trees; four-week study of evergreens
- **Lapbooking**: two-week unit Birds of the Air for elementary
- **God's Beautiful Creatures**: 10 eBooks with printable and hands-on activities
- **Wildlife Adventures**: one-week study of the Magnificent Frigate; one-week study of the Bald eagle; one-week study of the pelican; one-week study of birds
- **What Living Things Need**: eBook in the Unit Studies and More section

Our World Book [Early World of Learning library](#) has short videos about our senses and how our bodies work. The Know It section of our World Book [Early World of Learning library](#) has interactive learning tools about a wide number of animals, animal homes, plants, and our bodies.

Earth Science
- **Weather**: eBook in the Unit Studies and More section

The Know It section of our World Book [Early World of Learning library](#) has interactive learning tools about weather and seasons.

Life, Earth, and Physical Science
- **Exploring God's World with First Grade Science**: thirty-six weekly lessons that cover many of the traditional life science and earth science topics listed above.
- **Fun with Science**: eighteen weekly lessons that explore body systems and their roles, volcanoes, and the physical science topics listed.
Additional Science Resources

**Ditch the Desk**: Week Four (Science) of Test Taking Unit for elementary
**Lapbooking Through Science**: six mini lapbooks for 1st-3rd grade
**Let's Do Science Outside**: 20 worksheets for 1st-4th grade
**Light Studies**: 2 units in Unit Studies and More; all about light for 1st-5th grade
**Chemistry Help**: thirty-six units
**Science Experiments with Jason Lindsey**: easy science experiments you can do with household items
**Science Experiments with World Book**: more than 100 simple science experiments you can do at home
**Diet Pop and Mentos**: downloadable experiment guide in the Unit Studies and More section
**Nature/Outdoors**: four-week study of sand; four-week study of animal tracks; four-week study of the night sky; four-week study of rainbows; four-week study of winter; four-week study of creeks
**The Story of Energy**: e-book in the Unit Studies and More section that explores the discovery of electricity and natural gas, the long road to distributing those resources, the deregulation of the phone system in the past, and what the deregulation of energy may mean for the future
**Kinetic Connections-Science**: parent helps for teaching science
**Focused Learning Center-Science**: round up of all science resources on the site
**Monthly Book Lists**: see lists of books on physical science fun, fun with life science, nature exploration, and science
Additional Resources for Elementary

Ditch the Desk

Enjoy this [Ditch the Desk](#) unit all about spring!

Lapbooks

Enjoy this [lapbooking unit](#) as you study Philemon.

Kinetic Connections

Enjoy this series of [teaching ideas for holidays, seasons, and special occasions](#).

Unit Studies and More

Don’t miss the unit studies on Following the Iditarod, From Tree to Table: A Maple Syrup Story, and The Appalachian Trail in our [Unit Studies and More section](#). You can also find the Test Your Knowledge Quiz Bank, Brain Teasers, Brain Ticklers, On the Move, Tough Trucks, Cranberry Christmas, and A Bouquet of Valentine’s Day Fun in our [Unit Studies and More section](#).

Daily Puzzlers

[Daily Puzzlers](#) are language-based logic puzzles that vary in difficulty and include puzzles for 2nd through 12th grade.