

HOME SCHOOL Parents Resource READING LIST

It is always a good idea to read a book about home education now and then, whether you are new to home schooling or have home educated for many years. Here are some informative and encouraging titles.

HOME SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

A Charlotte Mason Companion: Personal Reflections on the Gentle Art of Learning

by Karen Andreola

A modern classic written after 10 years of intense study and successful application, this book gives you powerful tools to create a lovely learning experience. One of the most trusted and quoted books in the home school community.

Dumbing Us Down: The Hidden Curriculum of Compulsory Education

by John Taylor Gatto

The true goal of childhood learning should be to discover the special gift each child has.

For The Children's Sake: Foundations of Education for Home & School

by Susan Schaeffer Macaulay

A book about what education can be – extending learning experiences to every aspect of life. A strong Christian foundation. Author's philosophy is inspired by Charlotte Mason.

How Children Learn

by John Holt

Author shares his personal observations and research on child development. Parents need to have positive connections with their children.

IT LOOKS BETTER IN 3D: The Reality-First Approach to Childhood Screen Use

by Catherine L'Ecuyer

Discover the most common misconceptions about technology use in education ("technomyths"), notably in regard to media multitasking, "digital natives," the neutrality of technology, and the

digital divide. This book also covers the confusion between sustained attention and fascination, the economic interests at play, some consequences of sustained screen use for children and teenagers, as well as recommendations from the principal pediatric associations.

The Wonder Approach: Rescuing Children's Innate Desire to Learn by

Catherine L'Ecuyer

The author, an award winning doctorate in education and psychology, shared in the Swiss journal "Frontiers in Human Neuroscience" her article "The Wonder Approach to Learning", which converted her thesis into a new hypothesis/ theory of learning. This book, written in 2017, expands the article for parents, that "learning is a wondrous journey guided by a deep reflection on what the natural laws of childhood require: respect for children's innocence, their pace and rhythms, their sense of mystery, and their thirst for beauty."

How to Home School

CarSchooling

by Diane Flynn Keith

350 entertaining games and activities that can turn wasted car time into learning time.

Designing Your Own Classical Curriculum: A Guide to Catholic Home Education

by Laura M. Berquist

A valuable tool; detailed and practical.

Educating the WholeHearted Child

by Clay Clarkson with Sally Clarkson Many say this is one of their top home schooling resources – full of wisdom and encouragement, particularly for the Christ-centred home school. Great reference for home schooling and family life.

The Handbook of Nature Study

by Anna Botsford Comstock

A must-have for families who love to learn about nature. Hands-on activities and thought provoking questions.

Home Learning Year by Year

by Rebecca Rupp

Helps you to design a home school curriculum from preschool through high school. Simple and to the point.

Home Schooling Children with Special Needs (3rd Edition)

by Sharon Hensley

Practical advice to those home schooling children with special needs. Written by someone who understands the struggles of parents wanting to home school a special needs child.

Simplify Your Homeschool Day: Shorten Your Day, Sweeten Your Time

by Tamara L. Chilver

Packed with inspiration and motivation, easy read - 100 simple teaching tips that will shorten your home schooling day.

So You're Thinking About Homeschooling: Fifteen Families Show How You Can Do It

by Lisa Whelchel

Fifteen real families show how they overcame the challenges of their unique homeschooling situations.

Teach Your Own: The John Holt Book Of Homeschooling

Ordinary parents can help children grow as active learners.

The Well Trained Mind: A Guide to Classical Education at Home

by Susan Wise Bauer and Jessie Wise Step by step instructions on how to give your child an academically comprehensive education from preschool through high school. THE primer on Classical Education

FUN READS

The Homeschool Experiment

by Charity Hawkins

A novel for moms, set in the world of home schooling. Perfect for new home schoolers – showing both the challenges and the rewards.

ENCOURAGEMENT

Becoming MomStrong: How to Fight with All That's in You for Your Family and Your Faith

by Heidi St. John

Train your children to hear God's voice and to walk in truth no matter what.

Beyond Survival: A Guide to Abundant-Life Homeschooling

by Diana Waring

Prepare and plan for a successful homeschool journey.

Boys Adrift: The Five Factors Driving the Growing Epidemic of Unmotivated Boys & Underachieving Young Men

by Leonard Sax

Easy read; practical information.

The Busy Homeschool Mom's Guide to Daylight

by Heidi St. John

Tips for meal planning, scheduling and teaching your children plus encouragement to be flexible and take each season of life as it comes. Lots of practical advice.

Family Matters: Why Homeschooling Makes Sense

by David Guterson

An informative book written in an engaging manner.

Hold On to Your Kids: Why Parents Need to Matter More Than Peers

by Gordon Neufeld

Recommended for all parents; this book focusses on attachment.

Lies Homeschooling Moms Believe

by Todd Wilson

This book will help you refocus on the truth and get back on track home schooling your children.

One Hundred and One Devotions for Homeschool Moms

by Jackie Wellwood

Personal encouragement, full of practical advice and powerful insight.

Reaping the Harvest: The Bounty of Abundant-Life Homeschooling

by Diana Waring

How to prepare for and enjoy your life with teenagers.

Teaching from Rest: A Homeschooler's Guide to Unshakable Peace

by Sarah Mackenzie

Slow down and make time for quiet moments in your home school.

Are we missing your favourite home school resource book? Let us know what it is, at office@wisdomhomeschooling.com. We welcome your feedback on the titles presented here.

Why Johnny Can't Tell Right from Wrong: Moral Illiteracy and the Case for Character Education

by William Kilpatrick

Virtues can be taught by offering up heroes to copy through classics, song, and story.

Home School Tips

Games for Math

by Peggy Kaye

More than fifty ways to help children learn math by playing games.

Games for Reading

by Peggy Kaye

Helps children read by doing just what kids like best: playing games.

Honey for a Child's Heart

By Gladys Hunt

A family favorite – revised and updated. Everything parents need to know to inspire a love of reading in their children.

Honey for a Teen's Heart: Using Books to Communicate with Teens By

Gladys Hunt

Good books to help you and your teenager to communicate Help your teenager become a reader of good books.

How to Get Your Child Off the Refrigerator & Onto Learning

By Carol Barnier

Great ideas to help your distractible child learn. How to home school active (and ADHD) children.

The Read Aloud Handbook

By Jim Trelease

The importance of reading aloud to your children

The Way They Learn

by Cynthia Ulrich Tobias

Practical guidance for teaching to your child's strengths.