

# RESOURCES

## **Blog Posts**

[4 Techniques for Hacking Your Curriculum](#)

## **Review Websites**

[Cathy Duffy Reviews](#)

[Homeschool Curriculum Review](#)

## **Other Resources**

[Our Homeschool Favorites](#)

[Cathy Duffy Learning Style Assessment](#)

## **Curriculum Printing Companies**

[Humble Heart Press](#)

[The Homeschool Printing Company](#)

## **Recommended Reading**

[Better Late Than Early](#)-the science behind delayed academics (here's [a short YouTube interview](#) you can listen to if you prefer that to reading!)

[The Homegrown Preschooler](#)-how to do preschool naturally at home

[The Read Aloud Handbook](#)-the benefits of reading aloud + book guide

# CURRICULUM CROWD FAVORITES

## **All-in-One Curriculum**

[My Father's World](#)  
[The Good and the Beautiful](#)  
[Masterbooks](#)

## **Multi-Subject Curriculum- Leveled**

[Sonlight](#)  
[Bookshark](#) (secular Sonlight)

## **Multi-Subject Curriculum- Family**

[The Peaceful Press](#)  
[Gather Round](#)  
[A Gentle Feast](#)  
[Five in a Row](#)  
[Layers of Learning](#)

## **A La Carte Curriculum**

### **Science**

[Treehouse Schoolhouse](#) (use code  
RACHAELALSURY for 10% off)  
[Exploring Nature with Children](#)  
[Apologia](#)

### **History**

[Beautiful Feet Books](#)  
[Notgrass History](#)  
[Veritas Press History](#)

### **Phonics**

[Explode the Code](#)  
[All About Reading](#)  
[Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy  
Lessons](#)  
[The Good and the Beautiful Language  
Arts](#)  
[Logic of English Foundations](#)

## **Spelling**

[Logic of English Foundations](#)  
[All About Spelling](#)  
[Spelling You See](#)  
[Sequential Spelling](#)

## **Handwriting**

[Handwriting without Tears](#)  
[Handwriting Made Happy](#)  
[The Good and the Beautiful Handwriting](#)

## **Early Learning Curriculum**

### **Kindergarten Curriculum**

[The Peaceful Press Nourishing Nature Kinder](#)  
[More Before Five in a Row](#)  
[The Good and The Beautiful](#)

### **Preschool Curriculum**

[Before Five in a Row](#)  
[The Peaceful Preschool](#)  
[Busy Toddler Playing Preschool](#)  
[Picture Book Preschool](#)

# MATH CURRICULUM CROWD FAVORITES

<b>Curriculum</b>	<b>Philosophy</b>	<b>Type</b>
<u>Math U See</u>	Conceptual	Mastery
<u>Math w/ Confidence</u>	Conceptual	Mastery
<u>Teaching Textbooks</u>	Both	Spiral
<u>Horizons Math</u>	Procedural	Spiral
<u>CTC Math</u>	Procedural	Mastery
<u>Math Mammoth</u>	Conceptual	Mastery
<u>Singapore Math</u>	Conceptual	Mastery
<u>Saxon Math</u>	Procedural	Spiral
<u>Beast Academy</u>	Conceptual	Mastery
<u>Life of Fred</u>	Conceptual	Mastery
<u>RightStart Math</u>	Conceptual	Both

# CURRICULUM PLANNING WORKSHEET

1.) List the core subjects that you will cover this year:

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2.) List the elective subjects you'd like to cover this year:

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3.) What are some of the influencing philosophies that will inform your curriculum choices?

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4.) What are some of the curriculum recommendations you've been given from friends or influencers?

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5.) What is your budget for curriculum this year?

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6.) What are some curriculum formats that sound fun, exciting or easy to execute? (Ex: Literature-based, game-based, computer-based, videos, workbooks)

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7.) List 1-3 places you'll go to vet these curriculums (Ex: Homeschool expo, YouTube, a friend's house, review websites)

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# CURRICULUM NOTES

My Top 3 Math Curriculum

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My Top 3 L.A. Curriculum

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My Top 3 History Curriculum

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My Top 3 Science Curriculum

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My Top 3 Multi-Subject or All-in-One Curriculum

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Other Curriculum to Explore

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# CURRICULUM VETTING GUIDE

## CURRICULUM PACKAGING

Will I choose an All-in-One curriculum or put my own package together?

## EARLY LEARNING

What is the required starting age for my state?

Can I wait or do I need to start right away?

Do I want to do a play or literature-based kindergarten or preschool curriculum for my early learner this year?

Do my life circumstances allow for the execution of an early learning curriculum?

## PHILOSOPHICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Does this curriculum align with my long-term vision for my child's education?

Does this curriculum align with my influencing homeschool philosophies?

What are the underlying methods or philosophies that are influencing this curriculum?

Is this curriculum format doable for my season of life?

## TOPICAL SUBJECTS

What areas of history and science do we want to study this year?

Do I want a family style or individual age-graded curriculum for the topical subjects?

Do I want to a unit study, literature-based, or textbook format for topical subjects?

Are we excited about the presentation format of this curriculum?

Are we excited about the content and activities of this curriculum?

Am I willing to plan and prep for hands-on projects?

## LANGUAGE ARTS

Is my child reading and writing yet?

If my child is already reading and writing, what is one area of language arts I want them to focus on this semester/year?

Do I need a curriculum to achieve my goals or can we do it holistically through regular practice?

## MATH

What presentation format would be the most doable for me?

Does this curriculum have a lot of prep?

Does this curriculum have a lot of materials or manipulatives?

What presentation format would be engaging for my child?

Will I choose a spiral or mastery approach?

Will I choose a procedural approach, conceptual approach, or some combo of both?