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Welcome to Sonlight!

Dear Mom and Dad,

A privilege. A joy. A blessed responsibility. An adventure far beyond what you ever imagined (or bargained for, on some days)! Is that how you'd describe homeschooling? I would!

The Sonlight team and I stand ready to come alongside you in your family's homeschool adventure. If you don't already describe your homeschool with such positive words, we'll help you get there.

Sonlight empowers you to equip your children for life – wherever God leads

Whether you're a first-time homeschooler or an experienced veteran, my goal is the same: to give you the tools you need to help your children become all that God created them to be. To help you equip your kids – academically and spiritually – to do whatever God calls them to do.

Sounds like a big task, right? Well, yes. But the curriculum in this catalog guides you day by day. You get all the lesson plans, books, activities, teaching tips and materials you need for success.

Since Sonlight does the prep work for you, you're free to do what you do best: encourage, love and guide your kids. You can relax and enjoy learning *together*. You'll be amazed at the education they receive (and what *you* learn, the second time around).

Sonlight promotes academic excellence, and our Christian worldview puts Christ at the center of life and learning. So you know you're preparing your children well for whatever lies ahead.

But that's not all. Sonlight also creates delight in learning. This world is a fascinating place. Our curriculum brings history, science and more to life. It helps kids learn in a way that sticks, creates curiosity and gives them a thirst for learning more.

Living books engage your learners to impact their world

When my husband John and I started homeschooling in 1990, we were stunned at the boring textbooks and dull workbooks we were "supposed" to use. We began developing curriculum that centered on real, gripping books. And it worked!

"Thank you, Sonlight, for bringing us the best, most interesting and uplifting curriculum out there!"

—Dena T., Aug. 2013

Our four kids flourished and families around the world discovered the joy of learning the Sonlight way. Our kids are now adults, making their own mark on the world. My two daughters are Sonlight moms themselves. Thousands of other Sonlight graduates have come into their own and are now making a difference in the world. (Don't miss our college scholarship winners on p. 162.)

Thousands more families are on the delightful Sonlight journey now. Browse the photos and stories from customers throughout the catalog. You can join them in this proven educational program.

A smart investment that gets better every year

Each year we prayerfully consider what we can offer to make your homeschool experience better. This time around, you'll find one of my favorite history books, *The Landmark History of the American People, Vol. 2*, now updated, in Core E. Your high schoolers have a new option in *World History and Worldview Studies* – a fascinating mix of history and philosophy through the ages. I think you'll find these enhancements offer your children more opportunities and help you teach more effectively. (For more on what's new, see p. 163.)

My team works hard to give you a good value for your investment. We're again able to offer significant discounts on Full-Grade Package (FGP) and Core curriculum. Our no-interest Time Payments offer an affordable option. You can now purchase an FGP at any time and take up to 9 months to pay!

Love to Learn. Love to Teach. Together. Guaranteed.

As always, Sonlight backs each Full-Grade and Core Package with a one-year money-back guarantee. If you don't love your curriculum – for any reason – simply return it for a full refund. I offer this to you for peace of mind. I'm confident that once you try Sonlight, everyone in your family will be glad you did. (Learn more about our guarantee, discounts, free shipping, scholarship opportunities and other Sonlighters Club membership benefits on p. 24.)

So go ahead – choose Sonlight curriculum. Prepare to further discover and nourish your children's giftings. Relax. And get ready to love your homeschool year ahead!

Many blessings,



Sarita

Sarita Holzmann, President

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Sonlight:

- ✓ Literature-based
- ✓ Christ-centered
- ✓ Quality family time
- ✓ Missions-minded
- ✓ Global perspective
- ✓ Academic excellence
- ✓ Complete lesson plans
- ✓ Everything you need

One-Year Money-Back LOVE TO LEARN LOVE TO TEACH Guarantee

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Featured on the Cover

"Sonlight has been not only fun and stress-free, but also a lifesaver," writes Andriana S of Fairbanks, AK. "During a rough winter of sickness, I was still able to pick up my Instructor's Guide, get out the books and teach with ease. Watching my child learn so quickly, with such depth, and in such a small amount of time each day really gave me the inspiration I needed to keep teaching every day."

"With Sonlight, I feel we have everything we need for a complete, in-depth, Christ-centered education. My favorite part about using Sonlight is all of the 'real' books we get to read together daily."

"Sonlight is so fun to use year-round! The Science is perfect for our long summer days in the Land of the Midnight Sun." Here, friend and fellow Sonlighter, Athena M, with Noelle S (6) and Zoe M (6) share some outdoor Sonlight at the local botanical gardens, as they read *How Flowers Grow* (from Science A). The girls are studying Core A.



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"We switched to Sonlight Core A last year, and that changed everything," writes Hannah S of Vista CA. "Mom and children love doing school. Mom loves the binder [Instructor's Guide] with the planned school year, and everyone loves the living books!" Angela (7, Core B) has been loving Sonlight for two years and especially enjoys the fully illustrated History books.

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Key to Catalog Listing

- Sonlight unique. Available for purchase at this time only from us.
- Christian publisher
- Pb Paperback binding
- Hb Hardbound binding
- Read-Aloud level: Appropriate audience if Read-Aloud by a competent reader with no additional explanation, commentary or discussion.
- Reader level: Appropriate grade-level if read to oneself.

Consumable You may want one for each student.

Experience the Sonlight difference ...

Kids who love to learn



"The best part of Sonlight can be summed up in a comment from my oldest daughter: 'Mom, please don't give us any days off, we love our school work too much!'" writes Aliza G of Mount Joy, PA. Here, Shelby (5) and Celene (6) dress up to learn about ancient Egyptians.

Christ-centered education



"I appreciate Sonlight's emphasis on spending time in daily Bible reading and Scripture memory with my children," writes Cindy P of Ontario, Canada. Cindy loves the natural opportunities to build family memories such as this one, where 7-year-old Quinlan shares a Bible story with his baby sister.

Complete lesson plans, schedules & materials

Your prep work is already done!



"I love being able to order a complete Core curriculum and know that all the materials I need will be delivered right to my door," writes Sarah R of Lafayette, GA. "The Instructor's Guide takes the work out of planning." Here, Jeremiah (8) and Nathaniel (5) enjoy a day of school outdoors.

Full-Grade & Core Packages pp. 6-89 come with ...

One-Year Money-Back
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Guarantee

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Sonlight Club benefits

 Free shipping on all orders (to 48 states) for a year p. 25

 10% discount on all orders for a year p. 25

 Free membership in the online Sonlight Forums p. 25

 and more!

Quality family time together



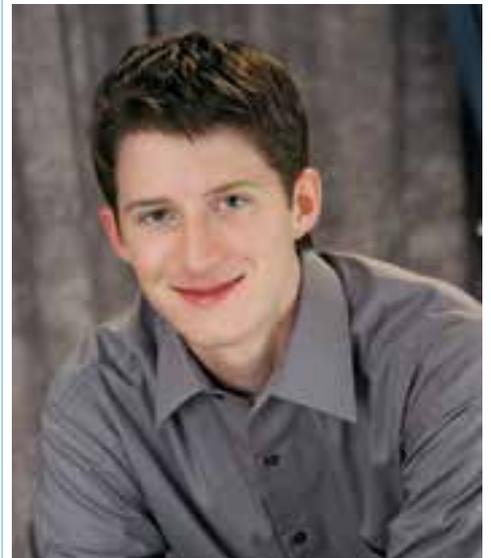
"With Sonlight, school time becomes cuddle time, as we curl up with our favorite books," writes Alicia N of Fresno, CA. "Sonlight makes our school time positive and enjoyable." Here, Alicia snuggles and learns with Emma (5), Claire (4 mos.) and James (3).

Books your children want to read



"Our struggling reader has been transformed to an avid reader, our beginning reader has grown by leaps and bounds, and our already avid reader has been challenged by engaging new books!" writes Angela K of Wayne, NJ. In his second Sonlight year, Micah (11, Core E) takes his studies to new heights.

A college scholarship program



Years ago, Kelly McGee read an article about bio-nics that introduced him to the world of bioengineering. Today, he's using molecular modeling and imaging software as a university research team member. His plans to provide medical technology to developing nations are fueled by a life-changing experience overseas. Meet all the Sonlight scholars on p. 162.

Award-Winning Methods

Academic excellence is one of the five foundational pillars on which Sonlight is built (p. 20). Check out the recent awards that validate our proven methods. (See p. 162 to meet the 2014 scholarship winners who can attest to the merits of studying with Sonlight.)

1st place – Boxed Curriculum: Elementary
The Old Schoolhouse® magazine 2013 award

1st place – Boxed Curriculum: Middle School
The Old Schoolhouse® magazine 2013 award

1st place – Language Arts: Literature
The Old Schoolhouse® magazine 2013 award

Seal of Approval – K-12 Curriculum
Homeschooling Parent 2013 award

Seal of Approval – Science
Homeschooling Parent 2013 award



Seal of Approval – Grammar and Phonics
(Grammar Ace)

Homeschooling Parent 2013 award

Seal of Approval – History text
(The Landmark History of the American People, Vols. 1 and 2)

Homeschooling Parent 2013 award

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(MathTacular® DVD series)

Homeschooling Parent 2013 award

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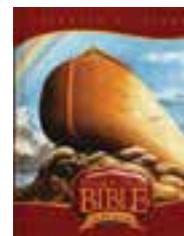


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“Our daughters loved all the stories in the Preschool Full-Grade Package. My husband and I have seen huge growth in their vocabulary and listening comprehension.”
 — Mary S., June 2013

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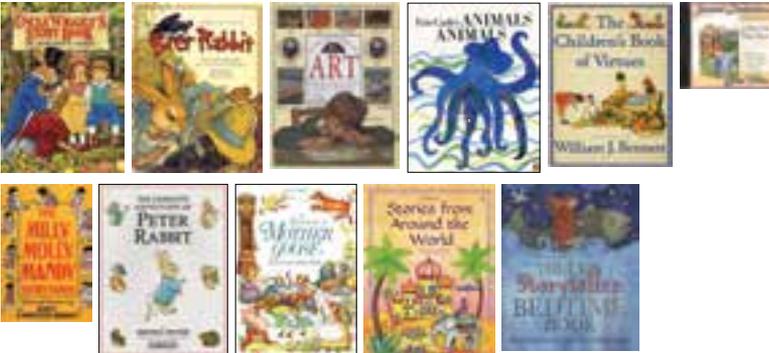
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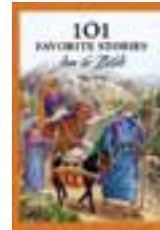


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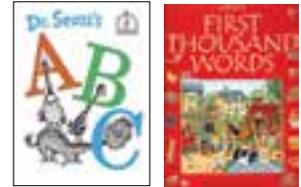
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— Nichole B.
July 2013

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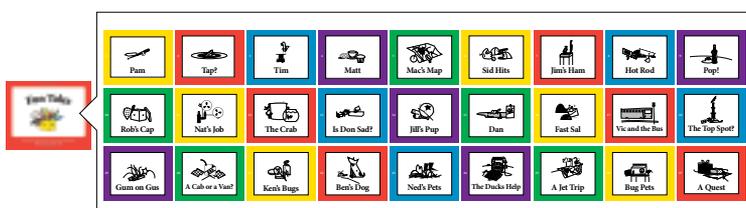
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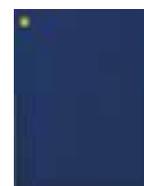
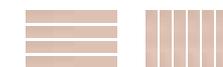
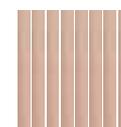
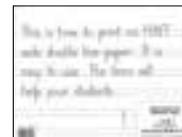


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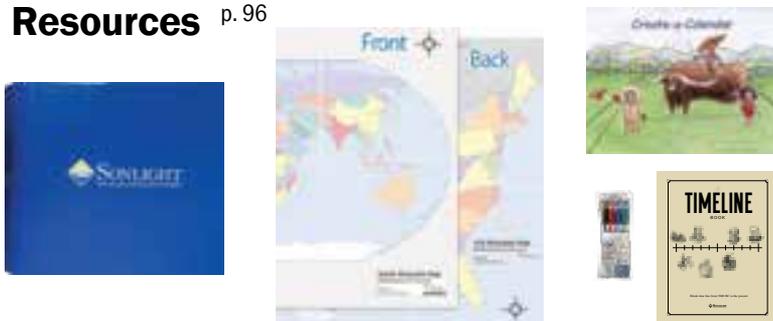
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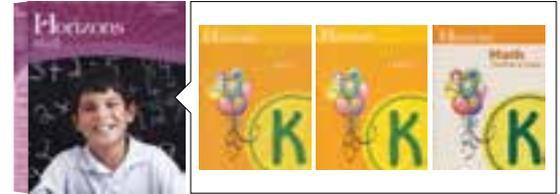


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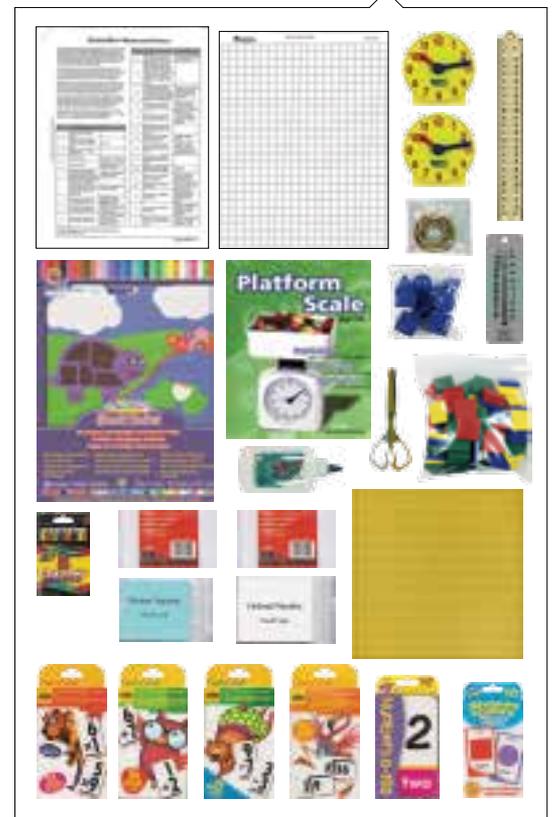
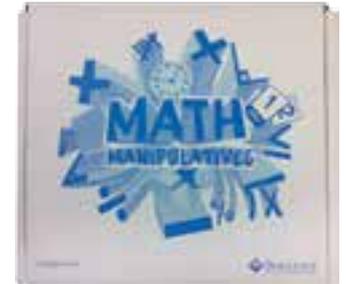
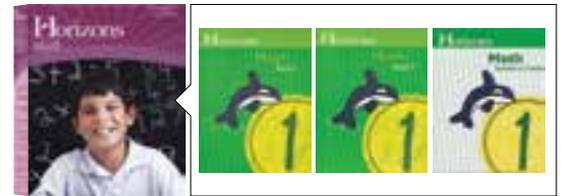


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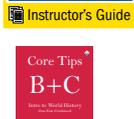
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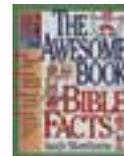
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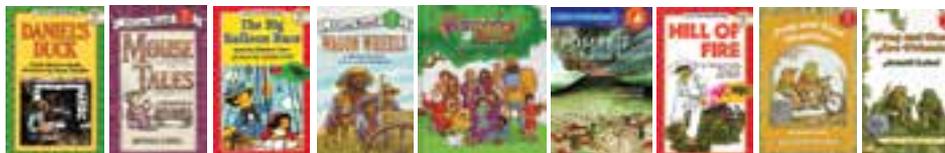
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"I was overwhelmed at the thought of homeschooling, but Sonlight made the process painless for a first-time homeschooling family like us. Thank you!"

— Katie W.,
Aug. 2013

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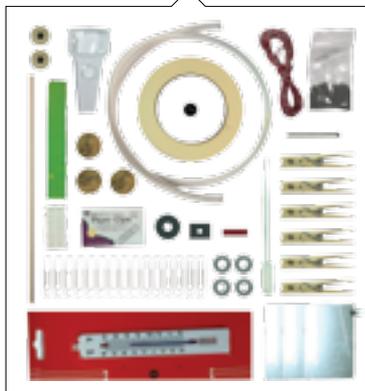
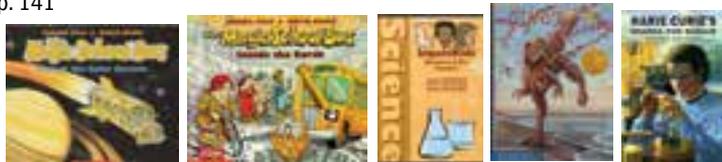
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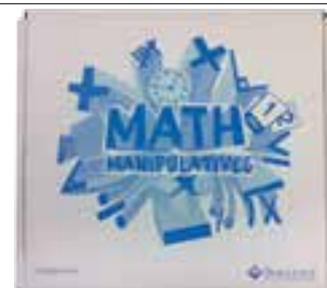
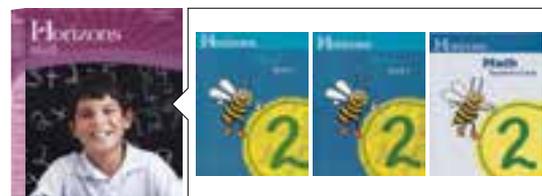


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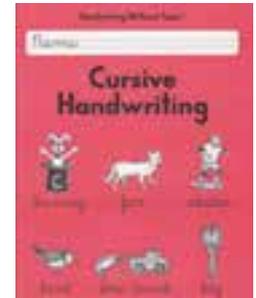


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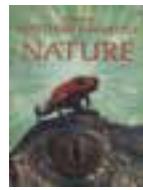
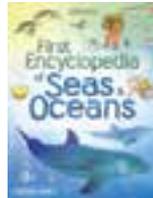
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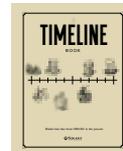


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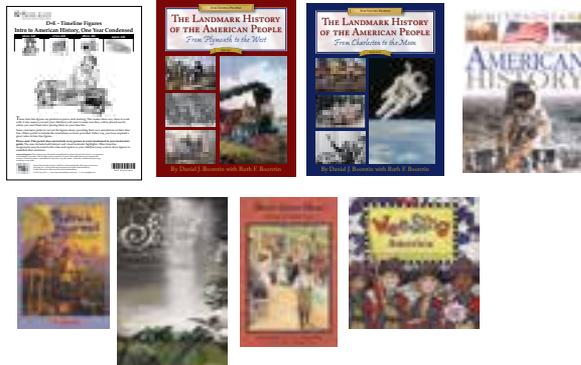
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— *Elise P.*
Aug. 2013

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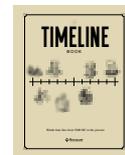


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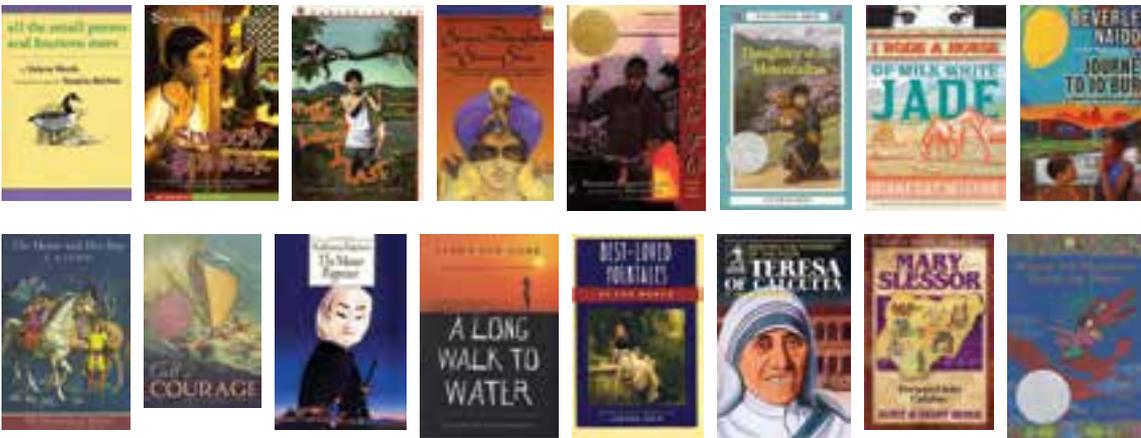


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“This is our first year homeschooling, so I was really nervous about finding the right curriculum. Now that I’ve read through the Instructor’s Guide, I feel like a huge weight has been lifted from my shoulders.”
 — *Haider W, Aug. 2013*

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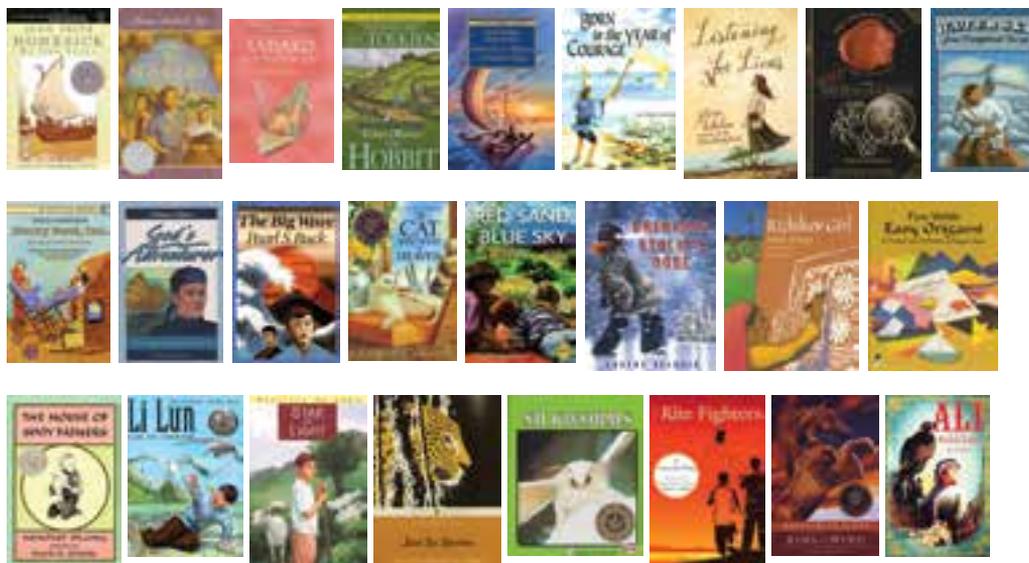


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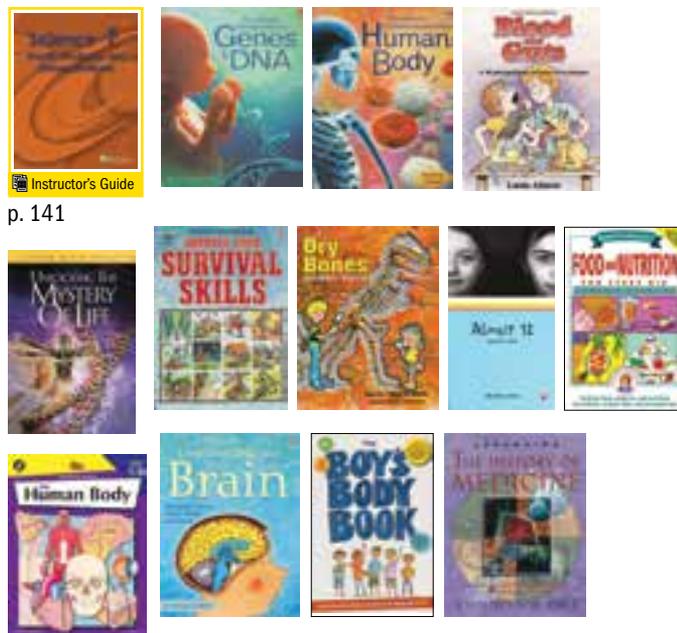


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One-Year Money-Back
Guarantee

No-Interest Payments (9 mos.)

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Add fun Electives pp.126-132

We recommend Electives F (p. 63) to complement this Full-Grade Package.

Item# FRE

Total Retail **\$1017.74**

All for only

\$849

You Save over **\$168**

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Discover Sonlight

As a homeschool parent, you probably pray your children will become flourishing adults who love the Lord. Adults who are equipped to do whatever God calls them to do. Confident believers who influence others and know how to work hard and face challenges.

These may seem like lofty goals, but Sonlight can help you get there. We provide tools that have helped thousands of parents like you raise children who love to learn, love God and have the academic preparation to do whatever Christ calls them to do.

Sonlight Curriculum builds on five big ideas:

1 Literature-based, Christ-centered

Literature-based learning is an educational philosophy based on children's natural curiosity and love for stories. We use outstanding books as the centerpiece for learning. We also help you teach from the perspective of God's truth and His love for all people.

2 Parent-directed

With Sonlight, you have plenty of helps right at hand, but you are in the driver's seat. You know your children best, you love them most and you are equipped to tailor their education to their unique needs. Sonlight homeschooling involves lots of close parent-child interaction. We give you engaging activities, great books to read and discuss, and opportunities to develop open communication.



“Relying on the money-back guarantee, we decided to give Sonlight a try. We have never regretted that decision,” writes Maryellen P of Grants Pass, OR. “I don’t worry that I am missing anything anymore! The subjects are all there and the Instructor’s Guide (IG) ties everything together. With the IG I know just what to do and even how much to do in one day, but it is still flexible enough that if we want to do all the week’s science in one day, that is OK too.” Maryellen says Sonlight has really fostered a love of learning in her children over the past three years. On a recent vacation, 6-year-old Cody (Core B) was thrilled to learn more about Native American culture.

Sonlight helps your children learn to trust you as a source of wisdom and direction.

3 Family-centered

Homeschooling is more than a school choice; it’s a lifestyle. Sonlight helps you get the most from your time together as a family. Browse this catalog and you’ll see pictures and stories from some of the many families who tell us they’ve formed closer family bonds through homeschooling with Sonlight. This reality is dear to our hearts. A child’s confidence that her family knows and loves her is every bit as valuable as any academic knowledge.

4 Global outlook

Sonlight spends more time than the average curriculum on the world outside the United States. We believe that in our increasingly connected world, children must understand that God does not value one people group over another. We want them to understand the contributions of different cultures and learn to look at situations from others’ perspectives. We want children to learn about tough – even controversial – issues while they’re in the safe and loving environment of their home. We want them to stand firm in their faith and engage in graceful dialogue with people of other faiths, backgrounds and cultures.

A primary goal within our global focus is that our children gain a heart for God’s work throughout the world. Hence, you’ll find many true, inspiring missionary stories in our curriculum. Your children will have opportunities to learn about and pray for people groups in every corner of the globe.

5 Academic Excellence

Sonlight is a lot of fun, but it isn’t easy. We equip parents to give their children a robust education that prepares them to excel in whatever God calls them to, be it college, the military, the mission field, the workforce and/or family life. Students who have grown up with Sonlight tend to “wow” adults with their understanding of history, literature, the Bible, science and more.

Over the years, Sonlight students who apply for our college scholarship program have scored consistently and considerably higher than the national average on the SAT. In 2013, the Sonlight scholarship applicant average was 461 points above the national average! The Sonlight average includes students who applied for scholarships that value creativity, mission-mindedness and acts of kindness over academic performance. We know test scores don’t paint the whole picture. But are these Sonlight students well-prepared for college or life? You bet. (See p. 162 for more about our scholarship winners, or visit sonlight.com/scholarships.)

These five values combine to form one truly dynamic and academic curriculum. With Sonlight, you will give your kids an extraordinary education.

You will challenge them without overwhelming them. With Sonlight’s help, you will discuss real-life issues – like politics, moral relativism, evolution and creation – with your kids and help them gain sure footing about what they believe. You will help them understand the big picture of history and the world around them. You will give them firm foundations in all the main academic subjects. And most importantly, with Sonlight’s help, you will give them a lifelong love of learning.

After high school, your students will be ready to excel in college or the work force. Sonlight graduates are now engineers, missionaries, musicians, doctors, pastors, elected officials, farmers, entrepreneurs, homeschool parents and more!

Core programs form the center

Core programs are the centerpiece of your Sonlight experience. Each Core weaves together a year’s worth of history and geography, Bible, literature and language arts.

Cores are crafted around gripping books. A great story-based history book or series (such as *The Story of the World*) serves as the “spine” for each program. You gradually read this book throughout the whole year; it’s your chronological guide, moving you logically through history. As you progress, you also read lots of biographies, historical fiction and novels that dig into the historical/cultural topics you’re studying.

Since quality literature reaches kids of various ages, you can use one Core program with multiple children. We don’t assign a specific grade level to each Core for this very reason. Your third and fifth graders could both get great educations from Core E this year! (See p. 22 to learn about using one Sonlight program to teach more than one child.)

Take three sweeps through history

With Sonlight, you journey on a solid progression of learning from preschool to high school graduation. (Turn to pp. 154-155 to see the Scope and Sequence of our Core, Language Arts and Science programs.)

With the Cores, you’ll take three sweeps through history during your Sonlight journey. Each year is specifically created for children in the target age ranges for that Core. All the material – from the content we chose to cover (and the more gritty aspects of history we chose to skip over until later grades), to the Readers and Read-Alouds, to the suggested hands-on activities – is at just the level your children need.

The first years (Cores P3/4 through A) are an introduction to learning and the world. In Cores B-E, take your first fascinating sweep through World and American History. In Core F, take a

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year to explore the Eastern Hemisphere and help your children (ages 10-13) learn to research.

Then dive in and take another sweep at a deeper level through World and American History in Cores G-100.

Finally, take a modified sweep through select aspects of history with Cores 200-400 (including 2,000 years of Church History, 20th Century World History and American Government/Civics). Our newest course, *World History and World-view Studies*, offers a tour from ancient history through the beginning of the 21st century.

How to choose curriculum

For a thorough explanation, turn this page. But the short explanation?

- Simply choose the Full-Grade Package (pp. 6-19) that matches your child's grade level.
- Or pick a Core (or two) for your children.
- Add Sonlight Science and pick an award-winning Math program.
- Then add any enriching electives you want and get ready for a great year!

What will I actually do each day?

Get ready to stop planning lessons and start enjoying your homeschool! Sonlight provides what you need for school each week, including:

- Suggested daily schedules
- The books you'll read
- Maps and timelines to enhance learning
- The materials you need for Science experiments (except for common household items)
- Activity Sheets
- Discussion Questions to ensure retention
- Scripture readings
- Suggested hands-on activities and more!

Each day with Sonlight, you open up your Core Instructor's Guide and see what's on the schedule. Spend time reading out loud with your children (until they reach Core 100, around high school level) and talking about what you read. Your kids also read books on their own. Discuss the books using the notes and discussion questions provided. Read Scripture together and work on memory verses. And, if you choose, enjoy any of the hands-on activity suggestions for the lower Cores.

Next, jump into language arts (which comes with your Core Package) and explore your writing and learning assignments for the day. These focus on natural learning and draw heavily on passages from the Readers your children are already enjoying in their Core programs.

For science, simply follow along with the lessons in your Science Instructor's Guide (or your Sched-

ule Plus, for the upper levels). Read with your children and learn about fascinating aspects of God's nature and the world around us. In the lower levels, your children complete Activity Sheets, and all levels include many hands-on experiments to reinforce learning. If you'd rather avoid a potential mess, you can pop in a *Discover & Do* DVD (included in Science A-E) and watch others do the experiments described!

Then you can do a math lesson, practice handwriting, play the piano, learn a foreign language ... whatever you decide!

Many homeschool families finish school by early afternoon – or sooner – and have the rest of the day for play, extracurricular activities, family time and “home economics” (e.g., cooking dinner and doing the laundry)!

Key to Sonlight Lingo

Full-Grade Packages (FGP)

Want all your subjects in one easy-to-order package? Get History, Geography, Bible, Readers, Read-Alouds, Language Arts, Handwriting, Math and Science in one extra-discounted bundle. Each package includes what you need to teach one child for one year. Save time choosing curriculum and save even more money when you select a Full-Grade Package instead of ordering components separately. (See pp. 6-19 for details.)

Core

Core programs form the heart of Sonlight. These literature-rich packages include an Instructor's Guide and all your books. They tie in History, Geography, Bible, Read-Alouds, Readers and Language Arts. You can teach multiple children at the same time with one Core. Most customers finish each Core in one school year, though you can move at your own pace. Sonlight Cores take you from preschool to high school graduation.

Instructor's Guide (IG)

Customer-renowned Instructor's Guides (IGs) put the path to stress-free teaching in your hands. You get an Instructor's Guide as part of each Sonlight Core and Science program you order. The guides turn stacks of great books into cohesive curricula. They provide daily schedules, discussion questions, Bible readings, notes, teaching tips and more. Simply open up and teach each day. The guides have all the intensive planning done for you, so you get to be a great teacher *and* spend more time with your family. (Turn to pp. 137-141 to see real IG pages and visit sonlight.com/3-week-samples to request a 3-week sample of any IG.)

Love to Learn, Love to Teach. Guaranteed.

In the end, Sonlight's “secret” comes down to this: We believe most children respond more positively to great literature than to textbooks. And we believe that parents can be their children's best and most-engaged teachers. To that end, we're committed to giving you the tools necessary for you and your family to love learning at home, together.

With Sonlight, kids love to learn and parents love to teach. That is a beautiful thing indeed. Read more about our unmatched, money-back “Love to Learn, Love to Teach” Guarantee on p. 24.

Read-Alouds

Flip through this catalog and look at the pictures of families reading together. This will be a central, delightful part of your Sonlight experience! Until the high school years, each Core includes many Read-Alouds. You get to read these gripping stories aloud to your kids, learn together and enjoy memorable discussions along the way.

Readers

Your kids also read lots of great books on their own. From Cores A-C, they use grade-specific Readers that match their current reading level and help them develop a true love for reading. From Core D on up, the Readers integrate closely with the Core material and enhance your children's study of history, geography and culture.

Sonlight Curriculum Advisor (SCA)

It's true: You have access to free, personalized homeschool help. Sonlight Curriculum Advisors (SCAs) are experienced, friendly, Sonlight moms, trained to help you homeschool your unique family. Contact an SCA with questions about what materials you should buy, how to use what you already have and how to solve any homeschool dilemmas you face. You can talk on the phone, email or chat online. Go to sonlight.com/SCA to get started.

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How to Choose Your Curriculum ...



“We love the ministry/spiritual emphasis Sonlight puts in its programs. The whole atmosphere in our home has changed dramatically!” writes Linda M of Honduras. “More than seven years ago, I felt led to quit a great job to be a stay-at-home mom. This curriculum plays such an important role. I especially love overhearing them during play, using names of the characters and parts of the world we’ve studied. Family members who were skeptical about home-schooling, which is so unusual in our country, are amazed at their skills and knowledge. I can’t say enough about how much we love and believe in Sonlight!” After just one year of Sonlight, Aline (6), Aslan (3) and Grace (7), along with Mom, are addicted to literature!

Three Ways to get help

Feel confident in your order and get the answers you need! Here are three ways to get great help:

1 Advisors

Talk, chat or email with a trained Sonlight Curriculum Advisor at no charge. An experienced, friendly Sonlight mom will talk through your questions about choosing the right materials for your family. Head to sonlight.com/SCA.

2 The Choosing Forum

Give and receive advice on this public forum where parents help other parents make the right choices for their unique families. Head to sonlight.com/choosing-forum.

3 SONIA (SONlight Internet Advisor)

Choose SONIA as your automated guide and move efficiently through the curriculum selection process. Simply answer her brief questions and she’ll help you put together the appropriate program for your family. Head to sonlight.com/sonia.

Option A

Full-Grade Package

Save time & money: Get all your materials in one easy step.

STEP 1 Choose your Core Program



✓ Get complete curriculum for your preschooler through 5th grader with one easy order.

Sonlight Full-Grade Packages include our top recommendations for one student for one year at our biggest discount available. See pages 6-19 to browse. You’ll receive:



A Core Program

pp. 32 – 89

Includes History, Geography, Bible, Read-Alouds, Readers and Language Arts.



Science

pp. 107–112



Handwriting

pp. 103–106

For grades K-3 only



Math

pp. 113–125



Resources

pp. 133–136

When you buy a Full-Grade Package, you get our deepest discount on that package, plus a 10% discount on other Sonlight materials for a year.

WANT ELECTIVES?



Electives pp. 126-132

A Full-Grade Package has all the essentials for your year. But if you want a little more, add some Electives and help your children explore their gifts. Find Music, Art, Foreign Language, Practical Life Skills and more.



Teaching more than one child?

Sonlight helps you teach multiple children with the same program. Simply put your children into learning groups and choose one Core and one Science program for each group.

This approach works because Sonlight uses fascinating “living” books instead of boring textbooks. And books, by design, reach a span of ages. Therefore, a wide range of students can access and enjoy Sonlight History, Read-Alouds and Science books together.

Group students within 3 years of each other and teach as few Core and Science programs as possible. Here’s how:

- Unless a child has special learning abilities or challenges, children within a 3-year age range can use the same Core program with few modifications.
- If you’re up for doing a little modification, you can stretch the age-span of one Core program to teach kids within a 4-year span. An Advisor at sonlight.com/SCA can help you do this.

- If you use more than one Core, see if you can match up the subject level for the groups of students you’re teaching. For example, you could study ancient World History with Cores B and G one year, finish World History with Cores C and H the next, then move on to American History with Cores D+E and 100 after that.
- You can easily use one Sonlight Science program to teach children within 4 years of each other.
- After you choose your Core and Science program(s), pick additional subjects (like Readers/Language Arts and Math) that match each child’s level. Children often need individualized Math because they usually need to grasp each new concept in order to understand the next.
- Find reading and math placement tests at sonlight.com/placement-tests.

Remember: we’re here to help! Contact a Sonlight Curriculum Advisor for individual advice, free of charge: at sonlight.com/SCA.

Option B

Customizable Package

Build a personalized program.

STEP 1 Choose your Core Program



Choose a Core program that fits within your children's age ranges and interests. A few tips:

- Many Sonlighters like to use Cores that put their child near the top of the suggested age range. For example, if their child is 8, they'll use Core B, designed for 6-, 7- and 8-year-olds.
- See p. 154 for a chart showing the full progression of Core programs.
- See p. 138 to learn about options for high schoolers.



Choose your Readers and Language Arts set (for Cores A through C)

If you're using Core A, B, B+C or C, you can choose the Reader + Language Arts program that best fits each child's reading ability. Visit sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to place each child. Readers for Core D and up coordinate with the History content of each Core; you don't need to choose them separately. Language Arts for Core D and up is included in the Core Instructor's Guide.

When you buy a Core Package, you get a significant discount on that package, plus a 10% discount on other Sonlight materials for a year.

STEP 2 Complete your Curriculum

Add subjects, electives and resources to complete your year!



Handwriting pp. 103-106

To help your students learn to write legibly (or provide more practice if they need it), we offer three different Handwriting programs, each with unique strengths. Find detailed information on p. 103.



Science pp. 107-112

In the elementary grades, we recommend teaching all children within four years of each other with a single Sonlight Science program. Select one that fits your children's age range and interests. For middle school and high school, choose an Apologia Science program with Sonlight-exclusive schedules, parent tools and lab resources.



Math pp. 113-125

Choose the Math curriculum that appeals to you most (see p. 113-116) and then find the right level for each child with the placement tests at sonlight.com/placement-tests. If you buy your Math at the same time as your Core, you have our "Love to Learn, Love to Teach" Guarantee and can easily switch programs if needed. See p. 156.

WANT ELECTIVES?



Electives pp. 126-132

Help your children explore their gifts with Music, Art, Foreign Language, Practical Life Skills and more.

NEED EXTRA RESOURCES?



Resources pp. 133-136

The end of each Core program choosing chart lists a few required materials you may already own. Read it to ensure you have what you need. If you use one Core program with several children, you'll need extras of the few consumable items (if there are any). Check the (consumable) designation that occasionally appears in the book listings for each Core program and order one for each child.

Choose a 5- or 4-Day schedule

Through middle school, Sonlight offers the flexibility to choose between a 5- and 4-Day weekly schedule for some subjects. Families often choose our standard 5-Day program, which schedules 180 school days per year and also fulfills the requirements of many states.

Others prefer to reserve time for extracurricular activities, such as music lessons, sports or field trips. If this describes you, the 4-Day option may be a better fit. **Please note: If you choose the 4-Day option, some subjects (e.g., Bible and Readers) are still scheduled 5 days per week**, encouraging your children to read and spend time with God every day!

Learn more at sonlight.com/faq-products.

What do other people pick?

Here are some sample Sonlight orders to help you imagine what yours might look like:

Scenario 1: the Mendozas

Linda and Gilbert Mendoza's children are ages 8 and 14. They chose the Grade 3 Full-Grade Package for their 8-year-old. For the 14-year-old, they selected Core 100 (*American History*), the Core 100 required/recommended resources, Science 250 (Biology), Teaching Textbooks Algebra I, and Rosetta Stone French level 2. They added Piano Wizard Academy as an elective for both students.

Scenario 2: the Dixons

The five Dixon children are 4, 6, 8, 11 and 13. Parents Susan and Paul decided to teach their 6- and 8-year-old together (while the 4-year-old listens in), and the 11- and 13-year-old together. Both sets of siblings will focus on World History.

The Dixons went to sonlight.com/placement-tests to determine the best reading levels for their younger students and the best math levels for all the children.

For the three youngest they ordered:

Core B (*Intro to World History, Year 1 of 2*) with Grades 1 and 3 Readers with Language Arts; the Core B required/recommended resources; Handwriting Without Tears, levels 1 and 3; Horizons Math, levels 1 and 2; Science B (with extra activity sheets); the Electives B package; and Artistic Pursuits K-3 Book 1 and Art Supplies Kit.

For the two oldest they ordered:

Core G (*World History, Year 1 of 2*); extra Language Arts activity sheets; the Core G required/recommended resources; Teaching Textbooks 6th Grade with MathTacular4; Teaching Textbooks Pre-Algebra; Science G (with extra activity sheets); the Electives G package; and Rosetta Stone Spanish level 1.

A note about upper-level Core options

See pp. 74-95 to learn how you can "mix and match" courses to create a custom Core experience that fits your high school student's interests and academic goals.

Why Buy a Complete Sonlight Package?

When you buy a Sonlight® Full-Grade Package or Core Package, you get one of the best values in homeschool materials anywhere in the world. How can we make such a claim?

You get materials and guidance to homeschool with confidence.

Homeschool parents are busy. We know that, and we've created packages that remove the stress of planning so you can enjoy the homeschool journey.

While other companies require you to do significant research, planning, and gathering of materials, Sonlight packages provide all your materials, schedules, teaching helps and more. So you can just open up your guide and learn together with your children each day. No planning. No researching books to fit in your schedule. No need to supplement unless you want to. Just lots of fascinating learning alongside your children!

Our "Love to Learn, Love to Teach" Guarantee means:

Sonlight backs each of our Full-Grade and Core programs with a one-year money-back "Love to Learn, Love to Teach" Guarantee. That means you can actually use and evaluate the materials in your own home while you decide if Sonlight is right for you and your family.

You probably know that when you buy individual books (from us or other companies) you must keep them in "new, resalable" condition if you think you might return them. In other words, treat them with special care. Don't open them too far! Keep them away from food!

When you buy a Sonlight Full-Grade Package or Core you'll have none of these worries or fears. We can afford this incredible guarantee because once families try a complete Sonlight program, very few ever return it. (See p.156 for details.)

How the guarantee works

Buy any Full-Grade or Core Package and test it out; use the program as it was meant to be used. Take a full year to use up to half (18 weeks worth) of the program.

Dive into your homeschool adventure. Read any and all of the books from weeks 1-18. Let your kids dog-ear the pages, write in the activity sheets and consume any resource from weeks 1-18. Gain hands-on experience with your curriculum – reading and teaching.

Then if you're still not convinced Sonlight is great for your family, return your program, used books and all, and we'll refund your entire purchase price. (See p. 156 for full details.)

"The 'Love to Learn' guarantee was what sold me my first year. We bought Core A knowing we could actually use the product and see if it was a fit. Long story short, we loved it and now own 5 full Cores."

—happylittlewonders

Surprise yourself with satisfying books you might otherwise miss ...

What other benefits come from a whole Sonlight Package? For one, each Core program includes books in a wide range of literary styles and genres. You may surprise yourself and say, as many have before: *"I've never read a book like that before! I'm astonished at how much I enjoyed it!"*

When you choose individual books for your children, you'll likely reject one if it seems hard to read, or of a different type or subject than usual.

But what if that book is part of a larger educational package that features many different genres? And the package includes a variety of works, most of which are well within your children's reading ability, but with some that are a bit easy and others that force your children to concentrate extra hard?

We believe a great educational program will include such works. Don't you?

... and enjoy a mix of challenging and delightful books.

Homeschooling can't be all "sunshine and cotton candy." Students need to learn real discipline and hard work, and that includes reading hard books. Yet when your children have tackled a book that pushes their ability level, we think they deserve a breather: an excellent title that engages them emotionally, but that they can breeze through at a clip.

When you use a Sonlight package, your children grow from reading more widely than they probably would otherwise. Most families are thrilled with nearly every book in their Sonlight curriculum.

What if you already own books in the program you'd like to buy?

Even if you already have some Sonlight titles on your shelves, you still save money with a Sonlight Core program, because your total discount – not to mention additional value – is likely greater than the value of those books you already own. And wouldn't a few duplicate copies make great gifts? Just one great way a lot of Sonlighters use those occasional "second copies!"

When you buy a Full-Grade or Core Package, you become a Core Club Member and enjoy these perks:

✓ FREE domestic shipping on every order.

Sonlight ships directly to you, anywhere in the world. In the lower 48 U.S. States, you pay nothing for our standard shipping (FedEx®) on every order – of any amount – for a full year. Remember: only Core and Heirloom Club members get free shipping (to the lower 48) on all orders.

✓ Get Sonlight's biggest discount ever on your Full-Grade and Core Packages, plus 10%

off nearly everything else you order for one full year.

Take 10% off almost everything Sonlight sells. (A select few publishers don't allow us to give this discount.) All year long. Your savings can add up fast.

✓ FREE two-year pass into our private online Sonlighters Club Forums.

A vibrant online community of Sonlighters helps you thrive in your journey. From homeschool advice and parenting tips to prayer and encouragement ... forum users find support in the trials and triumphs they face as homeschool parents.

✓ FREE two-year subscription to the "Beam of Sonlight" e-newsletter.

Enjoy encouragement, forum highlights and special offers with this biweekly newsletter.

Keep your benefits for life ... and get a chance to help pay for college.

When you buy your fourth Sonlight Core program, you automatically become an "Heirloom" Sonlighters Club Member: Your free membership in the Sonlight Forums, your free standard domestic shipping (lower 48 States), and – perhaps best of all – your automatic 10% discount all become permanent, rest-of-your-life perks. Your Heirloom membership does not expire.

✓ Sonlight Scholarships

Since 2000, Sonlight Curriculum has awarded \$1,056,500 in college scholarships to students whose families bought and used Sonlight Core programs. This year, 12 winning seniors will receive a combined total of \$88,000. Each will receive either \$5,000, \$2,500 or \$1,000 every year for four years.

For your student to be eligible, you must have bought and used at least five Sonlight Cores since 2000. For requirements, application forms, deadlines and more, visit sonlight.com/scholarships.

With a money-back guarantee, valuable perks and savings ... why not choose a complete Sonlight package? Remove the stress of planning and homeschool with excellence: Order a Full-Grade Package or Core today.

Payment options offer an affordable investment with lifelong dividends.

Not only do you get an unmatched money-back guarantee, Sonlight also offers interest-free payment plans for U.S. and Canadian customers on orders of \$399 or more. You can order today with a down payment and take three months (or maybe even six or nine) months to pay the rest. (See details on p. 156.)

It's an investment in your family's future you can't afford *not* to make.



Sonlight's Club Membership Benefits

	IG Member Buy any Instructor's Guide	Core Member Buy a Core or Full-Grade Package (FGP)	Heirloom Member Buy four Core or Full-Grade Packages
One-Year "Love to Learn, Love to Teach" Guarantee	✓	✓	✓
50% IG Repurchase Discount	✓	✓	✓
Free Shipping ¹	Orders that include an IG	1 year	Lifetime!
10% Discount ²	Orders \$500 or more that include an IG	1 year	Lifetime!
Free Access to the Sonlight Forums	1 year	2 years	Lifetime!
Beam eNewsletter Subscription	1 year	2 years	Lifetime!
Eligible for College Scholarships ³ See p. 162 for past winners and to learn more.		With purchase of 5 Cores or FGPs	

For full details, go to p. 156 or visit sonlight.com/join

1. To the lower 48 states. Core and Heirloom Members receive free FedEx shipping on all orders for one year (Core Members) or life (Heirloom Members). IG Members receive free USPS shipping on orders that contain an IG. All orders over \$150 receive free FedEx shipping. Orders over \$25 that qualify for Media Mail are eligible for free shipping in all 50 states, plus APO/FPO addresses.
2. We have already applied the 10% (or greater) discount on each FGP and Core package. All additional purchases made throughout the year will receive a 10% discount. Note: Due to restrictions from some publishers, we are not allowed to discount Rosetta Stone, Teaching Textbooks, Singapore Math, All About Spelling, *A Child's History of the World* and a few other products.
3. Count all Sonlight Core packages you've purchased from us (includes Basic, Core Ultra, Core Plus, Core, Newcomer, and Full-Grade).

Interest-free payment plans!



Would you like to pay for your curriculum over time, at no extra cost?

Plans are available for U.S. and Canadian orders of \$399 or more. If you qualify, choose from the 9-month (when you order in April), 6-month (April-June orders) or 3-month plan (anytime). Full-Grade Packages are available year-round with up to 9 months of interest-free payments. Visit sonlight.com/timepayments for details and a payment calculator.

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"Because of the literature-rich nature of Sonlight, my children seem to be more imaginative and like to really live in the moment we're in, such as this one at the train station," writes Clatie F of Normal, IL. "Good books have opened our eyes as a family to the fact that every moment of life is part of a special story. We're now at a point with Sonlight books that the older two children anxiously await the responses of the younger ones as they listen to a book for the first time." In the family's fourth year of Sonlight study, Eilean (14) and Garrison (10) are sharing Core W, while Linus (6) and Loucette (4) together take on Core A. Cora (11 mos.) is waiting in the wings.



IG



Parent's Companion

Bible



Read-Alouds



Games & Songs



Art



P 3/4 Full-Grade Package

Embark on an exciting journey of learning

- **Form precious memories and spend quality time with your children.**

• **Spark a love for learning with classic books and games your family will treasure for years.**
- **Get the materials and guidance you need to gently build pre-reading, pre-math, listening and motor skills. We show you how to homeschool!**



“I have structure and direction with Sonlight,” writes Erin O of Amelia Court House, VA. “I often get pressured about my choice to homeschool. Thanks to Sonlight, I’m confident that I’m doing the right thing for my girls. I’m learning how to teach as well, which helps melt away the frustration and allows me to be a great teacher and mom. Through Sonlight, I’ve learned a better approach to phonics, and it has made a world of difference. What I love most is that I don’t have to force my kids to learn.” Hannah (5, Kindergarten Full-Grade) and Gracie (2, Preschool Full-Grade) love learning their letters and words outdoors.

Daily Time Commitment

Many families spend 15-45 minutes a day reading and playing with this relaxed program. You can spend as much or as little time each day as you’d like.

Fall in love with learning

Crack open a special book and sail to adventures far and wide. This informal preschool program helps you use the “best-ever” children’s classics – plus fun games and activities – to effectively teach your young children.

You receive the finest, most complete selection of classic children’s literature and fairy tales available. The included Parent’s Companion shows you what to do with the books, games and art supplies to help your children love learning.

Give the gift of reading

We don’t think children this young need much “school.” Nor do they need repetitive worksheets, which can give them an early distaste for learning.

What your little ones really need is to hear great stories, spend quality time with you, and explore the world around them through play. We created P3/4 to help that happen in your home.

Reading out loud to your children is the single most important thing you can do to build pre-reading skills and prepare them academically.

With the many books and activities in P3/4, you get to watch your little ones make huge leaps in vocabulary, gain important pre-reading skills, increase their cultural literacy, be inspired by beautiful illustrations and simple activities, increase their attention span, improve their listening ability and develop key motor skills.

But you also get to make precious memories with them and spend valuable time showing your kids how much you love them. My heart resonates with the classic lines:

*You may have tangible wealth untold;
Caskets of jewels and coffers of gold.
Richer than I you can never be –
I had a Mother who read to me.*

WITH P3/4 FULL-GRADE PACKAGE YOU RECEIVE:

Parent’s Companion

Homeschool with confidence knowing you’re giving your children just what they need at this age. Your Parent’s Companion helps you capitalize on teachable moments that naturally arise.

This guide doesn’t use a daily schedule like our other Core programs. We simply list the stories

and activities by trimester and suggest you check them off as you enjoy them. If your children want to read one story several times in a row – go for it!

We want you to treasure your time reading and playing with your little ones. To that end, we also suggest an easy, creative activity to coordinate with most of the stories you read. This helps



you extend your learning into daily life and play. Request a brief sample of the Parent's Companion at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

Read-Alouds and Bible

Show your children that reading is a joy! These timeless classics with rich illustrations provide springboards to learning. With 19 picture books featuring 280 stories (fiction and true) and 34 fairy and nursery tales, get ready to:

- Recognize cadence and rhyme (and the value of perseverance) with an elephant who tries to hatch an egg.
- Re-discover treasures you may remember from your own childhood, such as *Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel*, *Blueberries for Sal* and *Make Way for Ducklings*.
- Praise God for His delightful answer to a missionary's prayer in Thailand.
- Introduce your children to meaningful Bible stories that show God's strength and love for us.

Games, Songs and Art

Feed your children's desire to learn with two excellent games, a delightful CD and art supplies.

- Watch their little brains develop as they form geometric patterns with *Mighty Mind*.
- Build cognitive and motor skills with *Teddy Mix and Match*. (And watch out – they may even beat you at this visual memory game!)
- Develop listening skills and an appreciation for music with 77 classic nursery rhymes and lullabies.

Spark a love to learn

I wish all children could enjoy a preschool program so full of rich stories, games and meaningful time with their parents. Enjoy this special gift you get to give your little ones.



Enjoy!

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"Sonlight's grab-and-go Instructor's Guide makes it possible for us to homeschool," writes Jennifer G of Polo, MO. "We live on a cattle ranch and homestead (produce much of our own food), so I wouldn't have time to design a curriculum. Sonlight has brought the world into our house. I love that my kids embrace diversity as a direct result of exposure to Sonlight books. They regularly impress people with the depth of their knowledge. They want to be explorers and adventurers, just like the ones we read about." On this day, Dalton (5, Core A) and Maddy (3, P3/4 Full-Grade) explore the creek.

Your P3/4 Full-Grade Package Includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/TMSP

Parent's Companion P3/4

Teaching notes and activity suggestions for the entire year.

TCG (\$11.99 if ordered separately)

Bible P3/4

Family-Time Bible in Pictures TB01

Read-Alouds P3/4

20th Century Children's Book Treasury	TA02	Horton Hatches the Egg	TA12	Our Animal Friends at Maple Hill Farm	TA18
The Bee Tree	TA05	Ian and the Gigantic Leafy Obstacle	TA13	Poems and Prayers for the Very Young	TA19
Eloise Wilkin Stories	TA09	Make Way for McCloskey	TA04	The Tall Book of Nursery Tales	TA21
A First Book of Fairy Tales	TA03	Mike Mulligan and More	TA15	The Usborne Flip-Flap Body Book	TA24
Go, Dog, Go!	TA10	Nana Upstairs and Nana Downstairs	TA16	What Do People Do All Day?	TA20
Hans Christian Andersen's Fairy Tales	TA11	Noah's Ark	TA17		
Harper Collins Treasury of Picture Book Classics	TA23				

Games and Songs P3/4

Mighty Mind	TA14	Teddy Mix and Match	TA22	Wee Sing Nursery Rhymes and Lullabies	TA25
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Art P3/4

Child Scissors	TA06	Colorix: 8 colors	TA07	Construction Paper Consumable	TA08
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GET ALL subjects in one package!



P3/4 Full-Grade Package

Includes Parent's Companion P3/4, Bible P3/4, Read Alouds P3/4, Games and Songs, and Art P3/4.

5-Day

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- Optional interest-free payment plans
- 50% of IG repurchase
- Sonlight Forums

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P 4/5 Full-Grade Package

Fun tools for a lifetime of learning

- Develop your children's reading readiness, cognitive and developmental skills.
- Teach like a pro: your complete lesson plans, materials and teaching tips are waiting for you. Just follow along!
- Build meaningful and intimate relationships with your children.
- Create fond memories and prepare them for a lifetime of learning.



"Sonlight is not just our curriculum, it's our connection as a family," writes Leslie O of Noblesville, IN. "This was our first year with Sonlight, and let me just say, we LOVE it! Since our children are close in age, it has been such a blessing to combine them into the same Core. It has been so much fun to watch the close bond develop between them over the past year. With quality pieces of literature, the stories come to life! These shared experiences have developed a love of learning that will last a lifetime. And for that, my heart is thankful." Here, they share a favorite book (*The Lion Storyteller Bedtime Book*, from P4/5) at a favorite park. What better way to spend a summer evening?

Bless your children with a great gift

At their best, the preschool years are a wonderful time of play, snuggling, stories and learning. This complete, gentle program helps you give your children just what they need at this age.

Fun, memories and development

Cuddle on the couch as you read with your kids. Laugh while you do skill-building hands-on activities together. Open up the world to your young explorers.

My oldest daughter and I carefully selected the best materials for 4- and 5-year-olds. Then, with the help of my preschool-age grandsons, we wove them into a relaxed program. P4/5 Full-Grade Package takes only 20 to 40 minutes a day.

Your Instructor's Guide clearly shows you what to do each day. You read wonderful books, build foundational skills for future learning, choose from many delightful hands-on activities and simply enjoy your children.

You also see learning spill over into playtime. The lively characters you meet in your storybooks show up in spontaneous play. The books and activities lead to all sorts of child-initiated, brain-building creativity!

Books you'll adore

I often hear parents say they owned many books before starting Sonlight. But once Sonlight delivered books to their doorstep, their kids only wanted to read their "school" books. Again and again! What can I say other than children simply love these stories, pictures and characters?

What are the educational benefits?

Sure, you're excited for bonding experiences with your kids ... you're certainly glad they'll love the books. But you also want them to learn!

This is where P4/5 Full-Grade Package gets really good. For all the relaxed fun and special time in store here, your children will learn by leaps and bounds as well!

As the U.S. Department of Education affirms, reading out loud to children is the most important thing you can do to teach what they need to know for future success in reading.¹ Reading expert Dr. Kylene Beers agrees. Her research demonstrates that the single greatest predictor of children's future success is how much people read to them before they enter Kindergarten – more than socioeconomic or even genetic factors.

Reading aloud to your children greatly increases their vocabulary and attention span. Did you know that basic children's books contain a much wider vocabulary than most college-educated adults use in normal speech? Watch your children effortlessly learn the words they need to know through your reading.

Kids also get much-needed times of intimacy with you as you snuggle together to read. The physical affection they get in your arms tells them you love them dearly and are there for them. How fortunate are the children whose parents give such great gifts!

What other goals will you meet with this Full-Grade Package?

- Prepare your kids for reading by teaching alphabet sounds and verbal skills.

1. *Becoming a Nation of Readers: The Report of the Commission on Reading*. Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Education, 1985, p. 23.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for Student and Parent:
20 min (Pre-K) | 1½ hrs (K)



- Give your children a basic understanding of the physical world around them through fundamental science concepts.
- Prepare your children with broad foundations in Reading Readiness, Science, Art, Bible, the concept of History and more.
- Expose your kids to the world outside your town through entertaining stories from around the globe.
- Develop key life skills – from following sequenced instructions to using scissors.
- Help your kids see that you are a great source of wisdom and guidance.
- Help your children see that school is fun.

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Instructor's Guide

Accomplish all this without writing a single lesson plan! The flexible daily plans in your Instructor's Guide make it simple. You can follow the Guide exactly or easily customize it to fit your family's needs. Either way, you get to focus on the joy of teaching your children. Request a sample of this guide at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

World Cultures

Discover what people do and how they live around the world. Easy-to-understand literature and captivating illustrations introduce the concept of historical time. Enjoy these highlights:

- Compare how people used to cook, shop and farm over 100 years ago with how we do those things now.
- See what people do at work all day – meet farmers, bakers, nurses, architects, pilots and more.
- Rejoice with a Thai family who hears about Jesus after young Bradit accidentally knocks the head off the family idol.

Bible

Introduce your young ones to the Bible with a beautiful collection of 101 stories from Scripture; all told accurately, respectfully and succinctly.

Read-Alouds

Build fond memories as your kids crowd in to hear classic children's tales and heartwarming stories about people of great character:

- Enjoy timeless tales of a resourceful and thoughtful little girl named Milly-Molly-Mandy.
- Listen to Uncle Wiggily's funny and adventurous stories of generosity, kindness and more.
- Uncover a treasure chest of classic nursery rhymes filled with wisdom, laughter and fun.

Language Arts

Teach your children the sounds of the alphabet through engaging pictures and memorable rhymes. Reinforce each letter sound while browsing the stimulating *First Thousand Words* book.

Science

Enjoy this winsome introduction to farm life, seasons, weather, the ocean, simple machines, plants, animals and more. Perfectly targeted to this age group, your children learn science principles through vivid illustrations – from how a lever lifts ... to how camouflage helps animals ... to how scuba divers explore the sea. Be amazed at how much your children pick up with these easy-to-understand books and activities.

Readiness Skills

Four carefully sequenced workbooks help you effectively teach your unique children. How? By helping you discover your children's learning strengths and weaknesses.

The *Developing the Early Learner* series helps kids have a great time while building skills in four major areas: Motor (e.g., left-right tracking and hand-eye coordination); Visual (e.g., similarities and figure-ground distinction); Auditory (e.g., similarities and memory) and Comprehension (e.g., categories and sequence). You also get diagnostic charts and exercises for testing and remedying delays. As many Sonlighters have said, these are "not your average workbooks!" Don't miss these valuable tools.

It all adds up

These components add up to a wonderfully delightful preschool program that helps you give your children what they need to grow. Finish Core P4/5 with great memories, a closer relationship with your children, significant improvements in foundational skills and a fire for learning that will continue to grow in the Sonlight years ahead.



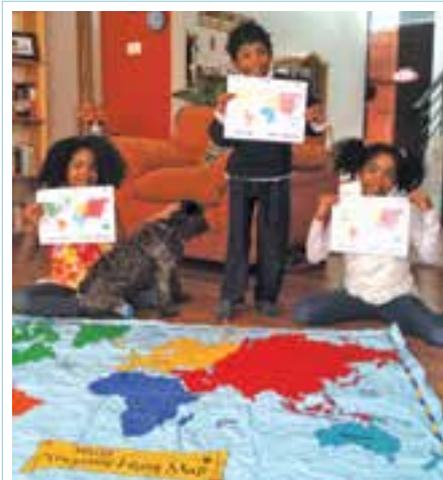
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"Sonlight has given us the way to provide a quality, personalized education at a fraction of the cost of private school tuition," writes Catharine L of Mexico. "One Sonlight Core is the equivalent of one month of tuition for three children at an average private school in our city. I love that Sonlight provides everything I need for the year in one box full of wonderful books. I never thought I would have the type of kids who beg to do school. But two weeks into our summer break, they were begging to start up again!" Here, Rebekah and Aliyah (both 8), and Becket (6) show off their geography skills. They are sharing P4/5 and Core B in their second year of Sonlight.



"The Instructor's Guide helps me to be prepared each day, with lessons that I'm confident of and interested in teaching," writes Heidi E of La Crosse, WI. "The Markable Maps and the History Timeline Figures have given me a big-picture view of world history and geography that I lacked after all my schooling, including college! The characters in the Read-Alouds feel like family and become part of our daily discussion, teaching and training." Hanna (4, P4/5 Full-Grade), Claire (7, Core B) and Dad observe tadpoles scooped from a neighbor's pond on a rainy day.



"I'm so thankful the Lord led us to Sonlight, where so much of the work is done for me," writes Roxann G of Columbia City, IN. "When I found out we were expecting our fourth child, I knew I would need a curriculum to help lighten the load. If it wasn't for Sonlight, homeschooling would feel like an overwhelming, impossible task. We love the material and the worldview so much." In their third Sonlight year, Ruby Mae (2), Dad, Aaron (3, P4/5 Full-Grade) and Isaac (6, Core C) enjoy some world history with engaging illustrations.



"We wish we knew about Sonlight's literature-based approach, and the convenience and flexibility of your IGs [Instructor's Guides] earlier," writes Diep P of Asia. "We live in Asia, where it's difficult to get good books for children in English. The fact that Sonlight provides all the books we need for a year is such a privilege. I had struggled with finding resources for my eldest with auditory processing disorders. With the amount of reading, he has shown remarkable progress in attention and reading comprehension. Your well-selected books offer renewed inspiration and creative ideas each day, which is especially important when you homeschool a special-needs child." Ted (4, P4/5 Full-Grade), Tom and Amy (9 and 7, Cores A and B) are reading about fishermen at a beach near their home.

Your P4/5 Full-Grade Package includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/PMSP

Instructor's Guide P4/5

PCG (\$25.99 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

World Cultures P4/5

PG00

The Gods Must be Angry	PG05	People	PG01	Then and Now	PG06
New Toes for Tia	PG08	Stories from Africa	PG03	Things People Do	PG04

Bible P4/5

Bible story reading & Scripture memory verses scheduled in your Instructor's Guide.

101 Favorite Stories From the Bible	PB04
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Read-Alouds P4/5

PA00

American Tall Tales	PA01	Eric Carle's Animals Animals	PA10	Stories from Around the World	PA09
Children's Book of Virtues	PA12	The Lion Storyteller Bedtime Book	PA03	A Treasury of Mother Goose Rhymes	PA02
A Child's Book of Art	PA15	Milly-Molly-Mandy Story Book	PA08	Uncle Wiggily's Story Book	PA18
Classic Tales of Brer Rabbit	PA17				
The Complete Adventures of Peter Rabbit	PA06				

Readiness Skills P4/5

PR01

Developing the Early Learner 1 Consumable	PR011	Developing the Early Learner 3 Consumable	PR013	Developing the Early Learner 4 Consumable	PR014
Developing the Early Learner 2 Consumable	PR012				

Science P4/5

PS00

The Berenstain Bears' Big Book of Science and Nature	PS12	Is a Blue Whale the Biggest Thing There Is?	PS01	Why Do Tigers Have Stripes?	PS07
How Do You Lift a Lion?	PS03	What's Smaller Than a Pygmy Shrew?	PS02	The Year at Maple Hill Farm	PS13
How to Dig a Hole to the Other Side of the World	PS04	What's Under the Sea?	PS08		

+ Plus Your choice of a **Language Arts** Program

Language Arts P4/5

PL00

Dr. Seuss's ABC	PL02	First Thousand Words	PL01
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OR

Grade K Readers with Language Arts K

KRP

Grade K Readers		My First Picture Dictionary	KL04
Fun Tales	KR01	Alphabet Sounds BINGO	KL08
Language Arts K		Go A to Z!	KL11
Language Arts K Instructor's Guide	KLG		
Language and Thinking for Young Children	KL02		

"Every day, Hannah prayed to be homeschooled again. God heard the prayer of her heart. We're very excited to again begin [after a period of unemployment] the journey of homeschooling. Our beloved Sonlight box has arrived. Happy girl, happy hearts!"

— Elizabeth P, Aug. 2013

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STEP 1
Choose your
Core Program



> **P4/5 Full-Grade Package:
Exploring God's World**

Includes Instructor's Guide P4/5, World Cultures P4/5, Bible P4/5, Read-Alouds P4/5, Readiness Skills P4/5, Science P4/5, Language Arts P4/5, and 1.5-inch Binder and Tabs.

5-Day

PMSF **\$348**
Retail \$433.57!
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OR

This package is great for families with a slightly older child who is ready to learn to read:



✓ **P4/5 Full-Grade Package:
Exploring God's World + Grade K Readers
with Language Arts K**

Includes Instructor's Guide P4/5, World Cultures P4/5, Bible P4/5, Read-Alouds P4/5, Readiness Skills P4/5, Science P4/5, Grade K Readers, Language Arts K, and 3-inch Binder and Tabs.

5-Day

PCK **\$425**
Retail \$504.79!
You save \$79.79!

OPTIONAL:

Most preschoolers don't need formal instruction in subjects beyond those in P4/5 Full-Grade Package. But if you're ready to start more subjects, we recommend:

STEP 2
Complete your
Curriculum



Handwriting Without Tears K p. 104 HWK \$80.89
Core P4/5 students often thrive with *Handwriting Without Tears K*. For a different level or other award-winning methods, see pp. 103-106.



Horizons Math K Program p. 117 HKM \$179.93
Many Core P4/5 students do best with *Horizons Math K Program*. For other outstanding math curricula, see pp. 113-125.

**WANT
ELECTIVES?**



Electives A pp. 126-132 ARE \$53.85
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend Electives A, which includes *Animals in Art* (p. 129), *Enjoying Art with Children* (p. 129) and *Home School Family Fitness* (p. 131).

**NEED EXTRA
RESOURCES?**



✓ **Resources** pp. 133-136
Recommended Resource
 The Three R's by Ruth Beechick p. 135 KL01 \$12.00

"The Sonlight stories bring us closer together as a family and are really fun to read!"

— Nancy B., Aug. 2013



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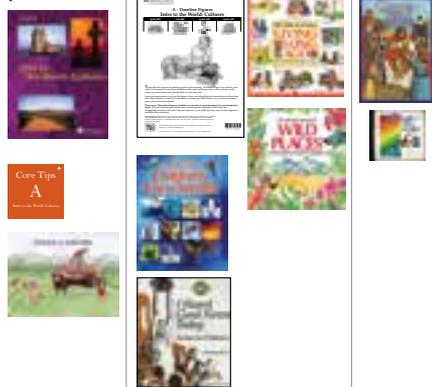


"Sonlight helps my kids be passionate about learning, loving and living," writes Amy J of Madison, WI. "I love when somebody says, while reading a Sonlight book, 'Can we do that?' or 'I wonder what that's like.' From one book or chapter, we explore so much more ... Every school year we start and end with a picture. They had a theory about how Sonlight would alter their physical appearance and wanted to see how knowledge would change their heads! Looking back at this picture, Lucy said, 'It didn't change how we look, but it changed my heart.'" Lucas (6), Lucy (5) and Laurelin (2) are studying Core C and P4/5 Full-Grade in their fourth year of Sonlight study.



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Core A with Grade K Readers

Young adventurers: Explore God's big world!

- Inspire a love of learning, gain a sense of history and explore far-off places.
- Guide your children confidently each day: You get lesson plans, teaching tips and materials for the entire year.
- Trek with missionaries, visit ancient Egypt and travel through jungles, America, Imperial China ... and more!
- Devour fun historical fiction, stirring true stories and many children's classics.



"As soon as I saw Sonlight's Instructor's Guides and what awesome books we'd enjoy reading together, I didn't have to look further," writes Sarah L of Grand Rapids, MI. "My husband and I are teachers by training, so we understand the time necessary for good planning and a successful learning experience. As a mother, I also recognize that I don't have that kind of time anymore. I want to spend my days with my family, not planning for the next school day. Sonlight provides great books, incredibly organized and detailed lesson plans, the freedom to do what works best for our family, and the opportunity to teach our Christian faith." Mom and Dad here share the Good News with Lucas (5, Core A, Science A) and Carlos (2).

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 1½-2 hrs | **Parent:** 1-1½ hrs

Learning is fun!

You want to start your young children on the right track. You want to build a solid foundation for years to come. What do you need to teach them right now? That learning is fun! *"We like learning!"*

Core A does exactly that. This program is perfect for 6- and 7-year-olds and advanced 5-year-olds.

A wonder year

Open your children's eyes to God's fascinating world. Cuddle up with your little ones as you discover wonders far beyond your town borders. Introduce them to a wide range of topics and whet their appetites to learn more.

You get to acquaint your children with other places, cultures and times. You get to marvel at wonderful things God has done through His people.

As you explore, find answers to questions like *Why do people in the Amazon and Alaska like different kinds of homes? What did the inside of a medieval castle look like? What did ancient Egyptians eat? How did people travel in ancient China? What does a jungle look like?*

A tour of Core A

Enjoy a very broad overview of world history and explore the way people ate, dressed and lived throughout the centuries.

With your Instructor's Guide showing you what to do each day, two volumes serve as key books: *The Usborne Children's Encyclopedia* and *Living Long Ago*. They both feature simple text and scores of pictures that your children will love to look at. Get

brief, picture-filled overviews of key civilizations of the world such as Ancient Egypt, the Roman Empire, the Vikings, Incas, the Ming Dynasty in China, Colonial America and Victorian England. Take extra time to look at music, art, homes, clothing and climate around the world. Your children will love to sit and pore over these books.

Core A also weaves in many fascinating biographies and stories that help your children imagine life in different times and places.

What will Core A do for you?

Sure, you have a great program that gives you precious times of discovery with your kids. You don't have to plan lessons, your kids get a great education, and they'll finish more excited than ever about learning. But what else will Core A do for you?

First, it sets the stage for future learning. Your kids develop a big-picture understanding that past civilizations existed and that people live differently throughout the world. This knowledge gives a framework for future in-depth study of history.

This program also helps children start to see past themselves. Not everyone lives like they do! As children grasp this concept, they are more able to look at situations from another person's point of view and to relate to others who are different from them. They also develop a healthy curiosity about the world around them.

Another aspect I hold dear is that the books we feature inspire character in children. They provide fodder for faith-building conversations. They present worthy heroes who display courage and honesty, who work hard, love their families and do the



right thing. Let's give children some models worth imitating!

Core A also helps develop key skills. From our developmentally-oriented hands-on activities, to the "Create-a-Calendar" that introduces the flow of weeks and months, you'll help make sure your kids are on track with what they need to know. Even the simple poetry in Core A helps train

your children's ears to hear cadence, phonics and rhymes.

Core A also provides a whole lot of fun. Your children won't be little forever, so I created this Core to help you enjoy this special time together. From hands-on activities to stories they'll remember their entire lives, get ready for lots of laughs and hugs.

WITH CORE A YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Whether you're brand new to homeschooling, a seasoned veteran or somewhere in between, the Instructor's Guide included in Core A will make your homeschool life easier. Each morning, flip it open to see what's on the docket.

Your guide saves you from figuring out how to make all your books work together (we've already done that!). It helps you pace your journey, though you can easily speed up or slow down if you want. With the structure it provides, you can follow it exactly without worry. But it's also flexible: branch off and dive deeper into a particularly intriguing subject if you want. Then return to the schedule when you're ready. Download the first 3 weeks of this guide at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

Hands-on activities

Enrich your learning with hands-on activities! Core A includes a CD-ROM packed with weekly suggestions that reinforce your studies and offer opportunities for creative expression and more fun. Low on parent-prep time and high in educational payoff, these activities are sure to be a hit in your house.

History & Geography

On this exciting tour of world cultures, history and geography, you and your children will ...

- Discover what it was like to live in a castle.
- Marvel at what children used to wear for sleep and play.
- Take a spin in the first car, plane & rocket ship.
- Meet the former slave who returned to Ireland to share Jesus.
- Visit tall mountains and lush jungles.
- And much, much more!

Bible

Did you know your children can probably memorize Scripture with more ease than you? Rejoice in this ability of young minds; help them hide God's Word in their hearts. Core A includes 26 memory verses – one that starts with each letter of the alphabet! A delightful CD sets each verse to beautiful music your kids will love to sing along with.

You'll also read daily from *Egermeier's Bible Story Book* – an accurate but kid-friendly story

Bible that covers Genesis to Revelation. I remember how my children used to beg me to keep reading. That's exactly what a mom wants to hear when reading Bible stories!

Read-Alouds

You're in for a treat here. Cuddle on the couch as you read fun, enriching books to your children and:

- Care for animals alongside a veterinarian who loves his job.
- Learn lifetime lessons with peasant Pong Lo as he wins a whole kingdom with a grain of rice!
- Be inspired toward wisdom and character through Grandma's tales of growing up in the pioneer days.

Readers with Language Arts

Your children's Readers & Language Arts Program has a clear goal: to help them love to read and write. How do we do that? By giving them fun, real books they can read successfully! As countless Sonlighters have testified, their excitement to read these treasured books propels them to grow. Then we add fun, accessible writing assignments that coordinate with their Readers. You'll serve as your children's "scribe" for many creative writing assignments; you won't believe what your kids can create!

Simply choose the program that matches each child's reading level: Grade K Readers with Language Arts K, Grade 1 Readers with Language Arts 1, or Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2. Each level integrates Readers and Language Arts and gives you easy-to-use tools at your child's ability level.

Flip to p. 99 to read about the specific programs, then visit sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to choose the right level for each child.

Memories in the making

Explore with your children and form precious memories with Core A. May you discover together that learning really is fun!



Enjoy!

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LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"Having the Instructor's Guide proved to be a tremendous blessing when Mom's health suddenly became worse," writes Cherish K of Austin, TX. "We decided to share the instructing with our 12-year-old-daughter. She would read the Read-Alouds, instruct in Handwriting and Math, and complete Science A. Mom would read the Bible and History and cover Language Arts. Following the IG proved extremely helpful during this period. We discovered that even if you can't stick to the schedule perfectly, the help of having a schedule you don't have to create yourself is a blessing." Havilah (15, Core 200), Cosette and Anakin (13 and 11, Core F), Tirian and Aravis (8 and 6, Core A), Liesl (4) and Adelina (2) share an *Under the Sea* adventure during their annual at-the-beach vacation.



"Sonlight gives us everything we need to learn not only our ABC's and 123's, but God's Word, as well," writes Debbie S of Ellington, MO. "We have everything we need to be smart and grow in the Lord, all in one big box delivered right to our door – no need to waste time looking for other learning tools! This gives our family lots of time to spend together on our farm here in the beautiful Ozarks. We look forward to years of learning with Sonlight. Thank you for making our lives the best they can be!" Lincoln (6, Core A with Grade 1 Readers) and Granden (4) have been waiting for the mail for days and are looking forward to opening this year's box of Sonlight goodies!



“With Sonlight, stories seem to come to life,” writes Jennifer W of Bradenton, FL. “When I ask the girls to grab *Living Long Ago* or other Sonlight books, they run to the cabinet with excitement! This is truly the way I wish I’d been taught. The deep discussions are priceless and help foster lasting bonds. This was Julia’s second year doing Core A so her sister could catch up and they can learn together. On the first day when I said, ‘Get your Bible,’ she shouted joyfully to her little sister, ‘You’re going to LOVE this Bible!’ and then she gave it a kiss. It would take wild horses to make me leave Sonlight.” Sporting their handcrafted Ancient Egyptian collars, Jaquelin (4) and Julia (7) can hardly wait to visit the next country.



“One of the greatest benefits of homeschooling with Sonlight is that it’s completely versatile,” writes Leslie H of Bella Vista, AR. “Whether you’re the type of person who is bubbling with ideas on how to supplement your child’s school day or you view formal education as unfamiliar territory, Sonlight offers plenty of ideas and opportunities to make your lessons come to life, and gives lots of guidance and support to those who need it. With Sonlight, you don’t have to recreate the wheel; they’ve already done it for you!” In her first Sonlight year, Macayla (6, Core A) enjoys lunch, Ancient Rome style.

Your Core A Package includes

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/ACKR5

Instructor’s Guide A

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

Core A Instructor’s Guide	ACG	Sonlight’s Create-A-Calendar	Core A Tips CD	ACD
		Consumable		
		AE01		

ACG (\$74.99 if ordered separately)

History & Geography A

Usborne Internet-Linked Children’s Encyclopedia	AH04	Living Long Ago	AH02	Wild Places	AH01
I Heard Good News Today	AH05	Timeline Figures - A			
		Consumable	AH03		

5-Day AHP

Bible A

Bible story reading & Scripture memory verses scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.

Egermeier’s Bible Story Book	AB01	Sing the Word: From A to Z (CD)	AB02	ABP
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Read-Alouds A

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes The Arnold Lobel Book of Mother Goose AA04 Beezus and Ramona AA30 The Boxcar Children AA17 Dolphin Adventure AA10 Dolphin Treasure AA22 A Grain of Rice AA14 Here’s a Penny AA27 The House at Pooh Corner AA01 The Hundred Dresses AA15		Johnny Appleseed: The Story of a Legend AA24 The Light at Tern Rock AA11 Little House in the Big Woods AA29 The Llama Who Had No Pajama AA05 Mary on Horseback AA23 My Father’s Dragon AA09 No Children, No Pets AA28 Richard Scarry’s Please and Thank You Book AA06	4-Day AA4 OR 5-Day AA5 The Story of Dr. Dolittle AA02 Twenty and Ten AA16 ▼ 5-Day Program also includes Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs AA31 The Complete Adventures of Curious George AA26 Five True Dog Stories AA19 In Grandma’s Attic AA18 James Herriot’s Treasury for Children AA21 Least of All AA25 The Story About Ping AA03
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+ Plus Your choice of a Readers with Language Arts Program

Grade K Readers with Language Arts K

KRP (\$87.20 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers Fun Tales KR01	▼ Language Arts Language Arts K Instructor’s Guide KLG	Language and Thinking for Young Children KL02 My First Picture Dictionary KL04 Alphabet Sounds BINGO KL08 Go A to Z! KL11
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OR

Grade 1 Readers with Language Arts 1

1RP (\$157.55 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers The Best Trick 1R13 A Big Ball of String 1R12 The Bravest Dog Ever 1R14 The Cat in the Hat 1R06 A Fly Went By 1R05	Green Eggs and Ham 1R10 I Can Read It! 1R16 Little Bear 1R03 One Fish, Two Fish ... 1R04 Put Me in the Zoo 1R02	▼ Language Arts Language Arts 1 Instructor’s Guide 1LG Letter + Word BINGO with Markers 1L9 Go Blend 1L10
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OR

Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2

2RP (\$127.81 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers Amelia Bedelia 2R23 The Beginner’s Bible 2R17 The Big Balloon Race 2R15 Daniel’s Duck 2R18 The Fire Cat 2R20 Frog and Toad All Year 2R22 Frog and Toad are Friends 2R02	Frog and Toad Together 2R03 Greg’s Microscope 2R21 Hill of Fire 2R09 Mouse Tales 2R16 Nate the Great 2R19 Owl at Home 2R04 Pompeii: Buried Alive! 2R11 Surprises 2R24	The Sword in the Tree 2R27 Titanic: Lost and Found 2R12 Wagon Wheels 2R14 ▼ Language Arts Language Arts 2 Instructor’s Guide 2LG
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DISCOVER SONLIGHT’S TOP 10 GOALS

DO THEY MATCH YOURS?

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STEP 1
Choose your
Core Program



✓ **Core A: Intro to the World: Cultures**

Includes Instructor's Guide A, History A, Bible A, Read-Alouds A, and your choice of Readers with Language Arts program.

Choose one:	4-Day	5-Day
+ Grade K Readers with Language Arts K	<input type="checkbox"/> ACKR4 \$329 <small>Retail \$432.31! You save \$103.31!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACKR5 \$409 <small>Retail \$511.20! You save \$102.20!</small>
+ Grade 1 Readers with Language Arts 1	<input type="checkbox"/> AC1R4 \$399 <small>Retail \$502.66! You save \$103.66!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> AC1R5 \$469 <small>Retail \$581.55! You save \$112.55!</small>
+ Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2	<input type="checkbox"/> AC2R4 \$369 <small>Retail \$472.92! You save \$103.92!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> AC2R5 \$449 <small>Retail \$551.81! You save \$102.81!</small>

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> 3" Binder & Tabs p.135	B050	\$20.99
<input type="checkbox"/> The Timeline Book p.96	RR120	\$25.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Markable Map and Markers p.96	MAP	\$27.98

Optional Resources

> **Language Arts Optional Resources** p.99

STEP 2
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Curriculum



Handwriting Without Tears K p.104 HWK \$80.89
Core A students often thrive with *Handwriting Without Tears K*. For a different level or other award-winning methods, see pp. 103-106.



Science A p.108 AS5 \$124.85
Many Core A customers love Sonlight's Science A. For other easy-to-use, hands-on Sonlight science programs, see pp. 107-112.



Horizons Math K Program p.117 HKM \$179.93
Many Core A students do best with *Horizons Math K Program*. For other outstanding math curricula, see pp. 113-125.

GET ALL
subjects in one
package!



> **Full-Grade Package**
Save money & time: get our recommendations for the subjects above in one easy-to-order, extra-discounted package! (See pp. 6-19)

WANT ELECTIVES?



Electives A pp.126-132 ARE \$53.85
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend Electives A, which includes *Animals in Art* (p. 129), *Enjoying Art with Children* (p. 129) and *Home School Family Fitness* (p. 131).

NEED EXTRA RESOURCES?



✓ **Resources** pp.133-136
Recommended Resource
 The Three R's by Ruth Beechick p.135 KL01 \$12.00

BENEFITS

**One-Year Money-Back
LOVE TO LEARN, LOVE TO TEACH
Guarantee**

+ PLUS

- Free FedEx shipping (to 48 states)
- Hands-on activities
- 10% off all additional purchases for a year
- Optional interest-free payment plans
- 50% of IG repurchase
- Sonlight Forums

SEE P. 24 FOR DETAILS



"We were hesitant to try homeschooling, but once we heard of Sonlight's money-back guarantee, we figured there was nothing to lose," writes Karly W of Sherwood, OR. "It has since won us over and given us confidence to teach our children. We're now growing, learning verses, establishing a biblical worldview and tackling some harder issues - TOGETHER. I love that it's me and my husband doing all those things with them, soaking up our short time together, all in the same home. Sonlight was just what this mama wanted!" Curious kids Toby (5, Core A) Marcus (2) and Jack (3) enjoy a *Curious George* storytime with Dad.

**PRACTICAL HELP
FOR HOMESCHOOLERS**

sonlight.com/homeschool-101

"Before we started homeschooling, I think I read every princess book ever published. When we received our Core A books, I was excited to finally have something different to read. Thanks, Sonlight, for your fantastic Read-Alouds!"

— Maranda C, Aug. 2013



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History & Geography

Bible **Read-Alouds**

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Readers with Language Arts



Core B with Grade 1 Readers

Travel the globe on a thrilling ancient adventure

- Explore the story of the world from Creation through the fall of Rome.
- Homeschool with confidence: you get the teaching tips, lesson plans and materials you need each day.
- Learn how people lived in ancient Egypt, Greece, Europe, Africa, India & China.
- Gain worthy heroes who followed God's call and shared His love with others.



“The Sonlight Instructor’s Guides and curriculum are so easy to use, and we have found it to stand up against some tough National Standards for homeschooling,” writes Amber T of Australia. “We picked Sonlight knowing that our future contained some travel and immigration to other countries. Sonlight has provided the stability and flexibility to incorporate our learning with exploring our new environment. What we really love are the books! A well-rounded selection of titles covers many nations and cultures, and nurtures an interest in and understanding of all people. We highly recommend Sonlight to any family who wants to provide the best education in the most interesting format. Here, we’re building the Great Wall of China.” In their second Sonlight year, Isabella (9) and Victoria (7) are using Core B.

The way I wish I'd been taught

I wish I could have used this Core as a child. I would have been eager to hear such a fascinating story!

Core B and its companion, Core C, tell the story of world history. How did we get from Adam and Eve in a beautiful garden to this fascinating world with billions of people living in vastly different cultures? I created this Core especially for 7- and 8-year-olds and advanced 6-year-olds.

Bigger than a Texas-sized education

Like so many American adults, when I was in school, I was taught about American culture, American history, my state and my country year after year. And though I love the United States, I now know it's part of a much bigger world.

Because of the narrow focus of my education, I grew up with a huge gap in my understanding of the world. Other than the events of the Bible, I hardly knew anything that happened before Columbus. But as the author of *A Child's History of the World* says, “To give an American child only American History is as provincial as to teach a Texas child only Texas History.”

With Sonlight, your children can have a well-rounded education with plenty of American and World history and culture. You have all the tools you need right here. Help them discover the breathtaking, fascinating story of God's whole world.

The purpose of Core B

Core B gives a clear outline of world history from Creation to the fall of Rome. Seem like a lofty goal

for young children? Never fear. I've created a challenging but kid-friendly trek.

This program helps your children see beyond their own lives in their own town. Missionary biographies and literary characters worth imitating provide inspiration to follow God and live rightly. And of course, the captivating books of Core B convince kids that learning is a fun, worthwhile endeavor.

A quick Core B tour

Start your journey with a fun survey of peoples of the world. See how different people groups live, build homes, talk, eat and dress. Then enjoy a little book that introduces how archeologists dig for clues in the ground – clues like homes, tools, toys and pots. When paired with historical documents, these clues help us learn what life was like in ancient times.

As you move into a chronological trek through history, the story-based *A Child's History of the World* serves as the centerpiece of your studies. It is the most readable history I've ever seen. Virgil Hillyer writes in the tone of a wise, kind grandfather. He doesn't talk down to children – he meets them at their level. I'll let the preface of his book speak to the goal of Core B in general. He says the purpose of his book is:

To give the child some idea of what has gone on in the world before he arrived;

To take him out of his little self-centered, shut-in life, which looms so large because it is so close to his eyes;

To extend his horizon, broaden his view, and open up the vista down the ages past;



To acquaint him with some of the big events and great names and fix these in time and space as a basis for detailed study in the future;

To give him a chronological file with main guides, into which he can fit in its proper place all his further historical study. (p. 96)

We reinforce the history in Hillyer's book with the fascinating pictures and snippets in *The Usborne Book of World History*. It gives a broad look at key ancient civilizations.

WITH CORE B YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Your Instructor's Guide has lesson plans, maps, notes and questions for the whole Core. Instead of searching for supplemental material and writing lesson plans, you get to relax and focus on the joy of teaching your children. Go to sonlight.com/3-week-samples to request the first three weeks of this guide.

Hands-on activities

Pop in a convenient CD-ROM to find tons of suggestions for developmentally-appropriate, fun hands-on activities that coordinate with each week's studies. They will keep your hands-on learners fully engaged and help all of your children make connections and grow.

History & Geography

As you sketch an overview of history, you get to:

- Recline at a scrumptious Roman feast with a nobleman and his family.
- Discover why we know much more about Ancient Egypt than we do about other civilizations such as Crete.
- Encounter mighty war elephants of India with Alexander the Great and his weary troops.
- Walk beside missionary explorer David Livingstone as he survives a lion's attack and blazes the trail for Christ's Gospel in Africa.

Bible

Get ready to tap your toes! Your kids will learn a memory verse each week this year with a delightful CD that sets Scripture to music.

Learn basic biblical doctrines (in incredibly understandable terms) with the classic children's devotional book, *Leading Little Ones to God*. And of course, nurture a passion for the Lord as you read and discuss daily Scripture passages. This year, you'll read from the Gospels and Acts, Paul's letters to the Galatians and Philippians, the story of God's people in Genesis, several Psalms, and much more!

Read-Alouds

Reading aloud to your children builds their vocabulary, listening skills and imagination. It forms

The entertaining, highly illustrated *Time Traveler* book provides an in-depth look at everyday life long ago. Give your children a real sense of what it was like to live in Ancient Egypt and Ancient Rome.

As you move through these three books, you also read stories of courageous missionaries, use your timeline to map history, explore the Great Wall of China, enjoy delightful Read-Alouds, do fun hands-on activities and more.



"Sonlight's tagline says it all: 'The way you wish you'd been taught,'" writes Devon S of Longmont, CO. "I would have loved school in a tree fort or perched on a mountainside with a fantastic book! Since I discovered Sonlight, my 7-year-old has gone from dreading reading to loving it. The books capture his heart and make for great discussions and character development. The other day he said, 'I think the best job you could ever have is to be a missionary.' Raising our children to love God and to love learning about His world is our goal. Sonlight helps us accomplish this in spades." Cole (7, Core A) and Locke (3, P3/4 Full-Grade) love to learn in the hammock.

bonds between you and them. When possible, I've linked Core B's Read-Alouds with the content you're studying. The many wonderful books that aren't directly connected to your history still help your children's cognitive development and give them a passion to learn. Prepare to:

- Meet the characters of heartwarming classics such as *Charlotte's Web* and *Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle*.
- Solve a dangerous mystery with seven young boys in ancient Rome.
- Laugh with *Henry Huggins* and *Mr. Popper's Penguins* in their zany adventures.

And I must say, if you've never encountered Homer Price's infamous doughnut machine, you're in for a great treat!

Readers with Language Arts

Your children's Readers & Language Arts Program helps them progress by fostering their love of reading and writing. They get a whole stack of gripping books they can successfully read on their own. And they dive into the writing process naturally, with fun assignments and Activity Sheets that connect to their Readers. You'll serve as your children's "scribe" for many creative writing assignments and will be amazed at what they create!

Simply choose the program that matches each child's reading level: Grade 1 Readers with Language Arts 1, Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2, or Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3. Each level integrates Readers and Language Arts and gives you easy-to-use tools at your child's ability level.

Flip to p. 99 to read about the specific programs, then visit sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to choose the right level for each child.

Bon Voyage

From Ancient Israel to Assyria, Egypt to Rome, may your homeschool overflow with learning, fun, laughter and memories.



Enjoy!

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LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"I prayed for a curriculum that was God-centered, economical and mom-friendly," writes Tehila M of Hollister, CA. "Sonlight has given me the ability to teach my five children. Even in our busy and sometimes-chaotic days, we're always able to find a moment to share an inspirational story and bond as a family. My children get up in the morning excited about their schoolwork and have a passion for learning that's contagious. I love that I can just open a binder [Instructor's Guide] and I know what we have to do. God cares about the education of my children and has used Sonlight to achieve this." Now in their third Sonlight year, Faith (4), Tamar (6) and Natalie (6), pictured with visiting cousins, were studying Core B at the time of this outing.



“As someone with little background in educating others, I’m delighted with the clearly outlined instructions, ideas and schedule,” writes Christina M of Cambodia. “Sonlight makes it possible to approach the lessons with anticipation, knowing that most of the work has already been prepared for me. As missionaries, Sonlight has been a wonderful experience for us as a family. Not only is it affordable and recyclable for our other daughter, but its Bible-based teachings have opened up many spiritual conversations. It’s delightful to see the transferable concepts our daughters are learning and applying to different situations. They’re very curious and enjoy the hands-on activities that offer a tangible experience.” Here Lin (6, Core B) and Senoka (2½, P4/5 Full-Grade) browse the coming term’s books.



“We all love Sonlight for so many reasons, but one of the main reasons is that our kids have time to be KIDS!” writes Diane G of Simi Valley, CA. “I’m so thankful that with the carefully laid-out schedule and quality Christ-based education, we can get a solid education and still have time for unstructured, creative play. Not only do they have time for academics, but they also have time to explore God’s creation firsthand, not just in a book between overscheduled activities.” Here, Steven (7, Core B) and Megan (4, Core A) do just that!

Your Core B Package includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/BC1R5

Instructor’s Guide B

BCG (\$74.99 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.
Core B Tips CD BCD

History & Geography B

4-Day BH4 **OR** 5-Day BH5

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program Includes

Archaeologists Dig for Clues	BH08	Missionary Stories with the Millers	BH07	The Usborne Time Traveler	BH01
A Child’s History of the World	CH07	Peoples of the World	BH05	▼ 5-Day Program also includes	
From Akebu to Zapotec	BH03	Timeline Figures - B Consumable	BH11	The Greek News	BH09
George Müller	BH06	Tut’s Mummy Lost & Found	BH02	Houses & Homes	BH04
The Great Wall of China	BH10	The Usborne Book of World History	CH02	Roman Diary	BH12

Bible B

BBP

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.

Leading Little Ones to God	BB01	Sing the Word: A New Commandment (CD)	BB02
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Read-Alouds B

4-Day BA4 **OR** 5-Day BA5

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program Includes

Charlotte’s Web	BA01	Little Pear	BA15	▼ 5-Day Program also includes	
Detectives in Togas	BA14	Mountain Born	BA10	The Case of the Gasping Garbage	BA17
Favorite Poems of Childhood	BA12	Mr. Popper’s Penguins	BA08	Gooney Bird Greene	BA03
Henry Huggins	BA02	Owls in the Family	BA16	Greek Myths for Young Children	BA07
It Could Always Be Worse	BA18	Understood Betsy	BA11	Homer Price	BA06
		The Wheel on the School	BA04	Mrs. Piggie-Wiggle	BA13
		The Year of Miss Agnes	BA05		

+ Plus Your choice of a **Readers with Language Arts Program**

Grade 1 Readers with Language Arts 1

1RP (\$157.55 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers

The Best Trick	1R13	A Fly Went By	1R05
A Big Ball of String	1R12	Green Eggs and Ham	1R10
The Bravest Dog Ever	1R14	I Can Read It!	1R16
The Cat in the Hat	1R06	Little Bear	1R03
		One Fish, Two Fish ...	1R04
		Put Me in the Zoo	1R02

▼ Language Arts

Language Arts 1		Instructor’s Guide	1LG
Letter + Word BINGO with Markers	1L9	Go Blend!	1L10

OR

Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2

2RP (\$127.81 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers

Amelia Bedelia	2R23	Frog and Toad are Friends	2R02
The Beginner’s Bible	2R17	Frog and Toad Together	2R03
The Big Balloon Race	2R15	Greg’s Microscope	2R21
Daniel’s Duck	2R18	Hill of Fire	2R09
The Fire Cat	2R20	Mouse Tales	2R16
Frog and Toad All Year	2R22	Nate the Great	2R19
		Owl at Home	2R04

▼ Language Arts

Pompeii: Buried Alive!	2R11	Surprises	2R24
The Sword in the Tree	2R27	Titanic: Lost and Found	2R12
Wagon Wheels	2R14	▼ Language Arts	
		Language Arts 2	
		Instructor’s Guide	2LG

OR

Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3

3RP (\$159.71 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers

The Chalk Box Kid	3R36	The Long Way to a New Land	3R31
Clara and the Bookwagon	3R30	The Long Way Westward	3R32
Cora Frear	3R38	The Paint Brush Kid	3R37
The House on Walenska Street	3R46	Prairie School	3R33
Jake Drake: Bully Buster	3R42	A Question of Yams	3R45
Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie	3R34	Riding the Pony Express	3R49
The Last Little Cat	3R48	The Secret Valley	3R44
The Littles	3R47		

▼ Language Arts

Third Grade Detectives #1 and #2	3R35	Third Grade Detectives #4	3R43
Third Grade Detectives #10	3R40	Tippy Lemmey	3R39
Tornado	3R41	Viking Adventure	3R50
▼ Language Arts		Language Arts 3 Instructor’s Guide	3LG



STEP 1
Choose your
Core Program



✓ **Core B: Intro to World History** Year 1 of 2

Includes Instructor's Guide B, History B, Bible B, Read-Alouds B, and your choice of a Readers with Language Arts program.

Choose one:	4-Day	5-Day
+ Grade 1 Readers with Language Arts 1	<input type="checkbox"/> BC1R4 \$399 <small>Retail \$502.72! You save \$103.72!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> BC1R5 \$459 <small>Retail \$570.60! You save \$111.60!</small>
+ Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2	<input type="checkbox"/> BC2R4 \$379 <small>Retail \$472.98! You save \$93.98!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> BC2R5 \$429 <small>Retail \$540.86! You save \$111.86!</small>
+ Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3	<input type="checkbox"/> BC3R4 \$409 <small>Retail \$504.88! You save \$95.88!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> BC3R5 \$459 <small>Retail \$572.76! You save \$113.76!</small>

Required Resources (If you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> 3" Binder & Tabs p.135	B050	\$20.99
<input type="checkbox"/> The Timeline Book p.96	RR120	\$25.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Markable Map and Markers p.96	MAP	\$27.98

Optional Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> Language and Thinking For Young Children p.102	KL02	\$8.99
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> **Language Arts Optional Resources** p.99

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Handwriting Without Tears 1 p. 104 HW1 \$23.39
Core B students often thrive with *Handwriting Without Tears 1*. For a different level or other award-winning methods, see pp. 103-106.



Science B p. 108 BS5 \$170.87
Many Core B customers love Sonlight's Science B. For other easy-to-use, hands-on Sonlight science programs, see pp. 107-112.



Horizons Math 1 Program p. 117 H1M \$184.94
Many Core B students do best with *Horizons Math 1 Program*. For other outstanding math curricula, see pp. 113-125.

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> **Full-Grade Package**
Save money & time: get our recommendations for the subjects above in one easy-to-order, extra-discounted package! (See pp. 6-19)

WANT
ELECTIVES?



Electives B pp. 126-132 BRE \$45.39
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend Electives B, which includes *Exploring Landscape Art with Children* (p. 129), *World of Play* (p. 129) and *Bernstein Favorites: Children's Classics* (p. 130).

NEED EXTRA
RESOURCES?



✓ **Resources** pp. 133-136
Recommended Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> The Three R's by Ruth Beechick p.135	KL01	\$12.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Language and Thinking for Young Children p.102	KL02	\$8.99
<input type="checkbox"/> MathTacular® p.125	RM32	\$24.99

"Sonlight makes our homeschool life so much easier and stress-free."

— Samantha S, Jan. 2013

"Sonlight lends itself to family learning, rather than students doing their own, isolated learning."

— Lucy M, June 2013

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**BUDGET OPTIONS
THAT FIT**

Pay over 3, 6, or 9 months with no fee or interest.

sonlight.com/timepayments



"As a new homeschooling family, we were immediately drawn to Sonlight's educational approach because it is both biblical and globally focused," writes Kasey J of Parker, CO. "I met my husband on the mission field in Nigeria, and we have since been blessed with three boys, with another one on the way. Our kids are being exposed to the very heart of missions and we can share with them a worldwide perspective for God's people. We are able to teach our kids about differing cultures and help draw their two cultures together. Sonlight is making our homeschooling journey more exciting every day!" Here, Ishaku teaches Josiah (5, Core B) and Tobias (4, Core A) about a Bibleless tribe in his home country of Nigeria.



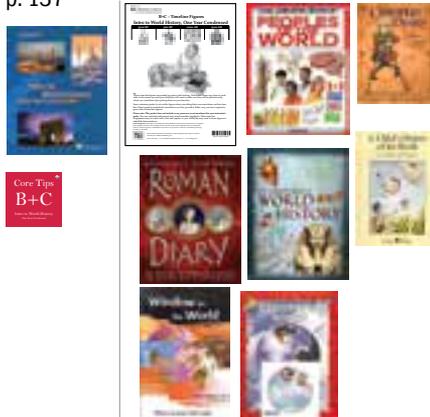
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History & Geography

Bible **Read-Alouds**

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Readers with Language Arts



Core B+C with Grade 2 Readers

Tour world history from creation to the present

- Get the very best of Core B and Core C in one exciting year! Give your kids a foundational overview of world history.
- Adventure with Vikings, chariot racers, artists, missionaries, astronauts and more.
- Relax with complete lesson plans and materials for homeschool success.
- Bond with your children as you spark their love of learning.



“They have the BEST books, an amazing Instructor’s Guide [IG] that walks you through every day, the greatest customer service I’ve ever encountered, and best of all, my kids are loving life each day,” writes Kimberly H of Berlin, MD. “Having the IG makes life easy; we know what to do and our days run smoothly. As a homeschooling mom, I can’t imagine my life without Sonlight. The boys have soared in their studies with the amazing books Sonlight has chosen for each Core. Our family is happy, healthy and thriving, and I know I have Sonlight to thank for that!” Blaze (9, Core B+C) has been soaring with Sonlight for three years.

The best of two Cores

How did we get from Adam and Eve in a beautiful garden to this fascinating world with billions of people and vastly different cultures? Core B+C tells the highlights of the story by combining the best of Cores B and C in one program. I created this Core especially for 8- and 9-year-olds and advanced 7-year-olds.

Great for families new to Sonlight

Is this your first year of Sonlight? *Intro to World History, One Year Condensed* may be the best fit for you. Why? Our *Intro to World History* program typically fills two wonderful Cores.

But if you are new to Sonlight, your children fit best in the 7- to 9-year-old age range, and you want to teach World History before moving on to American History, we recommend this one-year condensed program instead of starting with Core C (the second half of the two-year World History program). You’ll hit all the high points in a fascinating overview of world history.

If you have the time to do all of Cores B and C, that’s still our top recommendation. You’ll enjoy many more favorite books, and you’ll get a deeper, richer study of history. Whatever Core you choose, however, welcome to Sonlight’s literature-rich, love-to-learn, easy-to-use style.

Why study World History?

Like so many American adults, when I was in school, I was taught about American culture, American history, my state and my country year

after year. And though I love the United States, I now know it’s part of a much bigger world.

Because of the narrow focus of my education, I grew up with a huge gap in my understanding of the world. Other than the events of the Bible, I hardly knew anything that happened before Columbus.

With Sonlight, your children can have a well-rounded education with plenty of American and World history and culture. You have all the tools you need right here.

We not only trace the roots of Western civilization, but also give an overview of how civilizations have developed all over the world. This means Europe, the Americas, Asia, the Middle East, Australia and Africa.

As your children see the flow of world history – the rise and fall of civilizations – they get a big-picture look at what’s gone into creating history. That, in turn, helps them understand how we live today.

A tour of your program

The story-based *A Child’s History of the World* serves as the centerpiece of your studies. Virgil Hillyer writes in the tone of a wise, kind grandfather in the most readable version of history I’ve ever seen. He doesn’t talk down to children – he meets them at their level. I’ll let the preface of his book speak to the goal of Core B+C in general. He says the purpose of his book is:

To give the child some idea of what has gone on in the world before he arrived;

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 2-3 hrs | **Parent:** 1½-2 hrs



To take him out of his little self-centered, shut-in life, which looms so large because it is so close to his eyes;

To extend his horizon, broaden his view, and open up the vista down the ages past; To acquaint him with some of the big events and great names and fix these in time and space as a basis for detailed study in the future;

To give him a chronological file with main guides, into which he can fit in its proper place all his further historical study. (p. 96)

We reinforce the history in Hillyer's book with the fascinating pictures and snippets in *The Usborne Book of World History*. Your children will love this look at key ancient civilizations.

Our study of history from ancient to modern times pretty well concludes before the year 1914,

when World War I began. Since the last century holds some particularly harsh realities, we wait until later years to study this more recent history in depth.

Along your journey, you will read stories of courageous missionaries, use your timeline to map history, enjoy delightful Read-Alouds, do fun hands-on activities and more.

WITH CORE B+C YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Your Instructor's Guide has lesson plans, maps, notes and questions for the whole Core curriculum. Instead of searching for supplemental material and writing lesson plans, you get to relax and focus on the joy of teaching your children. Go to sonlight.com/3-week-samples to request the first three weeks of this guide.

Hands-on activities

Enrich your learning with hands-on activities! Core B+C includes a CD-ROM packed with weekly suggestions that reinforce your studies and offer opportunities for creative expression and more fun. Low on parent-prep time and high in educational payoff, these activities are sure to be a hit in your house.

History & Geography

As you sketch an overview of history, you get to:

- Travel back to the ancient times of the Jewish prophets and patriarchs.
- Meet 92 largely unevangelized people groups, From Afghans to Zulus. Learn about the globe and help your kids develop a godly heart for the world.
- Face mighty war elephants of India with Alexander the Great and his weary troops.
- Learn catchy songs that teach the names and locations of continents and countries.
- Explore China with Marco Polo, rescue wounded soldiers with Florence Nightingale, soar into flight with the Wright brothers ... and more.

Bible

Find joy in God's Word as you gain wisdom from Proverbs, read from the Gospels and discover the story of God's people from Abraham to Moses, Ruth to Esther, Daniel to Jonah.

Learn breathtaking details about the people and places of the Bible with *The Awesome Book of Bible Facts*. Discover: What really happened at the Tower of Babel? What size of a fish could swallow a grown man? How many copies of the Ten Commandments were there? And much more! Memo-

rise Scripture every week, including all of Psalm 100, with a musical Scripture memory CD that's good for the ears and the heart.

Read-Alouds

Reading aloud to your children builds their vocabulary, listening skills and imagination. It forms bonds between you and them. When possible, I've linked these Read-Alouds with the content you're studying. Prepare to:

- Learn perseverance and courage from a crippled medieval boy who can't be a knight but still saves an entire town.
- Defy incredible odds and rescue orphans with a woman missionary in China.
- And more!

Readers with Language Arts

Your children's Readers & Language Arts Program helps them progress by fostering their love of reading and writing. They get a whole stack of gripping books they can successfully read on their own. And they dive into the writing process naturally, with fun assignments and Activity Sheets that connect to their Readers. You'll serve as your children's "scribe" for many creative writing assignments and will be amazed at what they create!

Simply choose the program that matches each child's reading level: Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2, Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3, or Grade 4-5 Readers with Language Arts 4-5. Each level integrates Readers and Language Arts and gives you easy-to-use tools at your child's ability level.

Flip to p. 99 to read about the specific programs, then visit sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to choose the right level for each child.

"Sonlight has encouraged a love of reading in our whole family."

—Martha H, July 2013

Bon Voyage

Help your children discover the breathtaking, fascinating story of God's whole world. From Ancient Israel to Rome, India to Indonesia, Victorian England to the New World, may your journey overflow with learning, fun, laughter and memories.



Enjoy!

Sarita

LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"When we started reading Core B+C as a family and our daughter began talking about characters at length, she understood the information because they were people and events, not just dates and moments in time," writes Michelle H of Saginaw, TX. "My husband and I are truck drivers and Olivia travels with us. We don't have access to libraries and I knew she would miss out on a lot of great books. We're currently finishing Core D and my daughter relates to the history of our nation as she sees historical locations around the country. I also LOVE the Instructor's Guides, though I don't feel pressured to do everything in them." Pictured with Australian Labradoodles Milo and Birch at a rest area, Olivia (9) has been traveling with Sonlight for two years.



“We love the diversity of cultures represented in Sonlight curriculum,” writes Missy G of Centennial, CO. “As an interracial family, this is extremely important to our family. Sadly, so many other Christian curricula are not as diverse. We adopted Johannah from Ethiopia four months ago. One of the ways we bond together is through books and telling stories. Sonlight has helped us find quality literature to enjoy and talk about as a family. Johannah loves looking at the pictures and talking about them. In so doing, she has already learned so much English naturally.” In their third year of Sonlight study, Isaiah (7, Core B+C) and Johannah (5, P3/4 Full-Grade) take it to the park.



“Our son has special needs – this was our determining factor in starting the Sonlight program,” writes Annette F of Allegan, MI. “At the beginning, I wasn’t confident enough to stray from your program, so I stuck to it, frame by frame. As the year progressed, I began to feel more confident, understanding my boys’ learning strengths and weaknesses. Your program gave me that! Last summer, as I began to order our curriculum, your web site made it so easy for me. I’m going to add more subjects. I wish I could convey how much Sonlight has blessed our family.” Josiah (9) and Eli (8) are studying Core B+C.

Your Core B+C Package includes: For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/BCC2R5

Instructor’s Guide B+C BCCG (\$74.99 if ordered separately)
Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.
Core B+C Tips CD BCHD

History & Geography B+C 4-Day BCH4 OR 5-Day BCH5
 ▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes
 Audio Memory® Geography Songs Kit (CD) CH06
 A Child’s History of the World CH07
 Timeline Figures - B+C Consumable BCH01
 Usborne Book of World History CH02
 Window on the World CH04

▼ 5-Day Program also includes
 Castle Diary CA15
 Peoples of the World BH05
 Roman Diary BH12

Bible B+C CBP
 Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.
 The Awesome Book of Bible Facts CB01
 Sing the Word: God Our Provider (CD) CB02

Read-Alouds B+C 4-Day BCA4 OR 5-Day BCA5
 ▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes
 The Aesop for Children CA10
 Cornstalks: A Bushel of Poems CA01
 The Cricket in Times Square CA14
 Detectives in Togas BA14
 The Door in the Wall CA03
 George Müller BH06
 Gladys Alyward: The Adventure of a Lifetime CH13
 Little Pear BA15
 The Little Riders CA08
 Red Sails to Capri CA11
 The School Story CA18
 Strawberry Girl CA05
 Tales of Robin Hood CA17
 The Twenty-One Balloons CA02
 ▼ 5-Day Program also includes
 Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! CA25
 Gooney Bird Greene BA03
 Hidden Tales from Eastern Europe CA23
 Homer Price BA06
 Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle BA13

+ Plus Your choice of a **Readers with Language Arts Program**

Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2 2RP (\$127.81 if ordered separately)
 ▼ Readers
 Amelia Bedelia 2R23
 The Beginner’s Bible 2R17
 The Big Balloon Race 2R15
 Daniel’s Duck 2R18
 The Fire Cat 2R20
 Frog and Toad All Year 2R22
 Frog and Toad are Friends 2R02
 Frog and Toad Together 2R03
 Greg’s Microscope 2R21
 Hill of Fire 2R09
 Mouse Tales 2R16
 Nate the Great 2R19
 Owl at Home 2R04
 Pompeii: Buried Alive! 2R11
 Surprises 2R24
 The Sword in the Tree 2R27
 Titanic: Lost and Found 2R12
 Wagon Wheels 2R14
 ▼ Language Arts
 Language Arts 2 Instructor’s Guide 2LG



Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3 3RP (\$159.71 if ordered separately)
 ▼ Readers
 The Chalk Box Kid 3R36
 Clara and the Bookwagon 3R30
 Cora Frear 3R38
 The House on Walenska Street 3R46
 Jake Drake: Bully Buster 3R42
 Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie 3R34
 The Last Little Cat 3R48
 The Littles 3R47
 The Long Way to a New Land 3R31
 The Long Way Westward 3R32
 The Paint Brush Kid 3R37
 Prairie School 3R33
 A Question of Yams 3R45
 Riding the Pony Express 3R49
 The Secret Valley 3R44
 Third Grade Detectives #1 and #2 3R35
 Third Grade Detectives #4 3R43
 Third Grade Detectives #10 3R40
 Tippy Lemmey 3R39
 Tornado 3R41
 Viking Adventure 3R50
 ▼ Language Arts
 Language Arts 3 Instructor’s Guide 3LG



Grade 4-5 Readers with Language Arts 4-5 4RP (\$183.17 if ordered separately)
 ▼ Readers
 Along Came a Dog 4R62
 “B” is for Betsy 4R61
 Betsy & Tacy Go Over the Big Hill 4R41
 The Children of Noisy Village 4R43
 Emily’s Runaway Imagination 4R49
 Encyclopedia Brown 4R44
 Frindle 4R59
 Ginger Pye 4R01
 Henry and Ribsy 4R40
 The King’s Equal 4R46
 A Lama in the Family 4R56
 Lumber Camp Library 4R55
 Marco Polo 4R65
 McBroom’s Wonderful One-Acre Farm 4R58
 Misty of Chincoteague 4R45
 More Stories from Grandma’s Attic 4R47
 Mustang: Wild Spirit of the West 4R51
 Ralph S. Mouse 4R63
 Socks 4R54
 The Toothpaste Millionaire 4R57
 The Whipping Boy 4R53
 ▼ Language Arts
 Language Arts 4-5 Instructor’s Guide 4LG



STEP 1
Choose your
Core Program



✓ **Core B+C: Intro to World History One Year Condensed**

Includes Instructor's Guide B+C, History B+C, Bible B+C, Read-Alouds B+C, and your choice of a Readers with Language Arts program.

Choose one:	4-Day	5-Day
+ Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Retail \$491.99! BCC2R4 \$389 You save \$102.99!	<input type="checkbox"/> Retail \$561.91! BCC2R5 \$449 You save \$112.91!
+ Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Retail \$523.89! BCC3R4 \$419 You save \$104.89!	<input type="checkbox"/> Retail \$593.81! BCC3R5 \$469 You save \$124.81!
+ Grade 4-5 Readers with Language Arts 4-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Retail \$547.35! BCC4R4 \$439 You save \$108.35!	<input type="checkbox"/> Retail \$617.27! BCC4R5 \$499 You save \$118.27!

Required Resources (If you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> 3" Binder & Tabs p.135	B050	\$20.99
<input type="checkbox"/> The Timeline Book p.96	RR120	\$25.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Markable Map and Markers p.96	MAP	\$27.98

Optional Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> Audio Memory® Geography Additional Workbook Consumable	CH061	\$6.95
➤ Language Arts Optional Resources p.99		

STEP 2
Complete your
Curriculum



Handwriting Without Tears 2 p. 105 HW2 \$20.40
Core B+C students often thrive with *Handwriting Without Tears 2*. For a different level or other award-winning methods, see pp. 103-106.



Science C p. 109 CS5 \$175.85
Many Core B+C customers love Sonlight's Science C. For other easy-to-use, hands-on Sonlight science programs, see pp. 107-112.



Horizons Math 2 Program p. 118 H2M \$202.43
Many Core B+C students do best with *Horizons Math 2 Program*. For other outstanding math curricula, see pp. 113-125.

GET ALL
subjects in one
package!



➤ **Full-Grade Package**
Save money & time: get our recommendations for the subjects above in one easy-to-order, extra-discounted package! (See pp. 6-19)

WANT
ELECTIVES?



Electives C pp. 126-132 CRE \$85.88
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend *Electives C*, which includes *How Artists See Feelings* (p. 129), *How Artists See the Elements* (p. 129) and *Classical Kids Collection* (p. 130).

NEED EXTRA
RESOURCES?



✓ **Resources** pp. 133-136
Recommended Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> The Three R's by Ruth Beechick p. 135	KL01	\$12.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MathTacular® p. 125	RM32	\$24.99

"Sonlight has made homeschooling less intimidating for me. I was nervous at first. Now, I love it."
—Kara P, Aug. 2013

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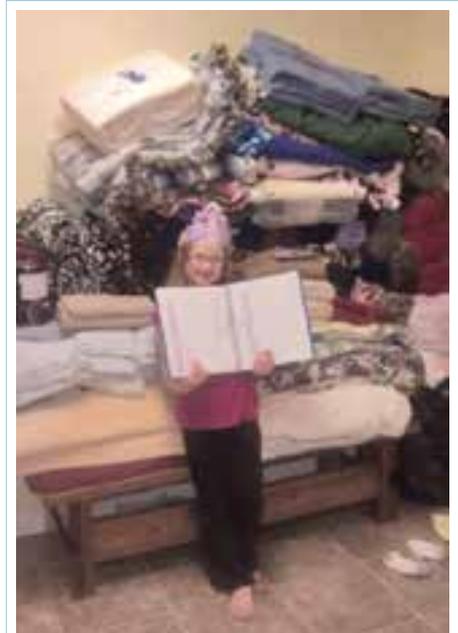
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+ PLUS

- Free FedEx shipping (to 48 states)
- Hands-on activities
- 10% off all additional purchases for a year
- Optional interest-free payment plans
- 50% of IG repurchase
- Sonlight Forums

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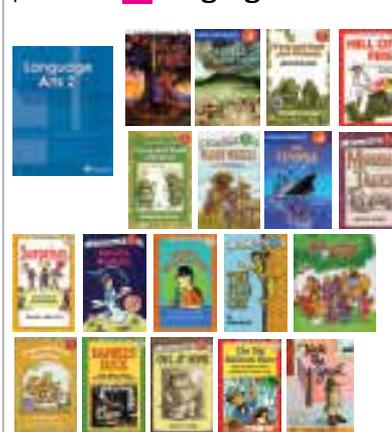
"For our first year of homeschooling, I couldn't have asked for an easier-to-follow **Instructor's Guide**," writes Ruth H of Lakesite, TN. "To see the love of books through my children's eyes is amazing! When they're finished with their schoolwork, they even choose reading for their fun activities. Sparked with an interest for the homeless after reading *George Muller* in our Read-Alouds, Abby collected 144 blankets. The encouragement that book gave her for this mission is one we could've never taught on our own." Here Abby (7, Core B+C) shows her goal checklist and the blankets she collected during her first year of Sonlight living and giving.

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History & Geography



Bible Read-Alouds

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Language Arts

Core C with Grade 2 Readers

Journey from the fall of Rome through modern world history

- Finish the story of the world you started in Core B.
- Relax with complete lesson plans and materials for homeschool success.
- Learn from the triumphs and mistakes of our ancestors. Adventure with Vikings, missionaries, astronauts and more.
- Create memories with and help your children love learning!



“Sonlight’s four-day option gives us the opportunity to use our fifth day for co-op enrichment classes and field trips,” writes Crystal G of Kernersville, NC. “We love the variety and scope of the books included in Sonlight’s Core packages. The structure of the curriculum helps everything in our home run more smoothly. We know that as we continue with Sonlight, we’ll see our boys truly transform and take flight because of the solid material and the freedom to learn and grow as God designed.” Liam (7, Core C), Cuinn and Aedan (3 and 5, Core A) enjoy their annual outing to the All-a-Flutter Butterfly Farm.

Get a first-class ticket

Watch as God’s hand moves, leaders make decisions, cultures shift and empires rise and fall. Core C finishes the journey you started in Core B. It’s your ticket to a well-guided tour of the past 1,600 years.

Loaded with Newbery award-winning books, children’s classics, little-known treasures and biographies of great people, Core C gives memorable adventures and special moments. This Core is perfect for 8- and 9-year-olds and advanced 7-year-olds.

See that history is real

This second part of *Intro to World History* helps kids see that history has a real impact on how we live today. Let’s bring it alive for them; history is not a dry and isolated subject!

Discover together that there are real historical answers to questions such as: Why did castles, knights and jousting tournaments fade away? Why do we now read the Bible in English instead of Latin? Why do Americans use inches instead of centimeters? Why aren’t there very many Kings and Queens in the world anymore? Why do children study Math and Science? Why are most people in India Hindus while most Indonesians are Muslims? Why do people from different cultures tend to view the world so differently?

Go way beyond Europe

Our purpose is not simply to trace the roots of Western civilization, but to acquire an overview of how civilizations have developed all over the

world. This means Europe, the Americas, Asia, the Middle East, Australia and Africa.

As your children see the flow of world history – the rise and fall of civilizations – they get a big-picture look at what’s gone into creating history. That, in turn, helps them understand how we live today.

With this Core, you also gain a special love for modern peoples around the world through the book *Window on the World*. From Afghans to Zulus, meet 92 largely unevangelized countries and people groups. Learn about the globe and help your kids develop a godly heart for the world!

Travel through time

Core C picks up where Core B leaves off. Travel from the fall of Rome through the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, the Reformation, Asian dynasties and the Industrial Revolution to modern global history.

As with Core B, three works serve as your history “spines”: *A Child’s History of the World*, and two Usborne books, *The Book of World History* and *Time Traveler*.

Virgil Hillyer, author of *A Child’s History*, has the perfect tenor and tone for this age group. Cuddle up on the couch and share his supremely readable tale of how the world moved from Rome to space shuttles. He winsomely recounts a compelling true story.

The two Usborne books are real gems. They’ve picked the facts that kids should know and placed them in the midst of detailed pictures. These help children grasp the context and story of history.

Daily Time Commitment

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We use these two books to cover concepts that Hillyer skips (like the great civilizations of Africa), and reinforce concepts he covers. You even get to travel in time to see life among Vikings and medieval knights!

Our study of history pretty well concludes before the year 1914, when World War I began. We mention hard times, but as we do, we focus on positive stories of people overcoming amidst obstacles. Since the last century holds some particularly harsh realities, we wait until later years to study it in depth.

As you progress in your chronological journey, biographies match the time periods you're studying and bring them to life. From Michelangelo's awe-inspiring art to Gladys Alyward's courage and compassion sharing the Gospel in China, get ready for some fascinating reads.

WITH CORE C YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Your Instructor's Guide puts together all the pieces of your Core into one great program! Follow along each day as your schedule, notes, maps, discussion questions and tips lead you through stress-free learning. You get to spend your time in meaningful face-to-face interaction with your kids.

Say goodbye to late-night lesson planning and last-minute trips to the library. You don't need to supplement your learning. Of course, if something catches your interest you can easily detour to explore a topic more deeply. When you're ready, just pick up where you left off! Request the first three weeks of this guide for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

Hands-on activities

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History & Geography

In addition to the main history books, the beloved *Geography Songs* are a highlight of Core C. Your kids learn all the countries of the world through catchy songs and a coordinating map. Next time you hear about Kyrgyzstan in the news, your kids might actually know where it is!

You also get to:

- Hunt whales with Bjorn the Viking as he cares for his family in the harsh climate of Iceland.
- Map history with many timeline figures.
- Get an insider's peek into life in a castle with Tobias, an 11-year-old page.
- Follow a courageous woman whom God uses to spread the Gospel in Honduras, Mexico, Alaska and Africa.
- Pray for peoples largely unreached by the Gospel.

Bible

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Read-Alouds

Snuggle up, experience history and enjoy several "just for fun" books that simply help kids love reading. From an operatic cricket to mighty Italian stallions, these works are pure delights!

- Join Robin Hood's action-packed adventures.
- See how God's Word transformed an entire people group in the Philippines.

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 **You know you're a homeschooler when**
... your 6-year-old's Christmas list reads:
liquid nitrogen, magnets, rock tumbler,
soil pH meter.

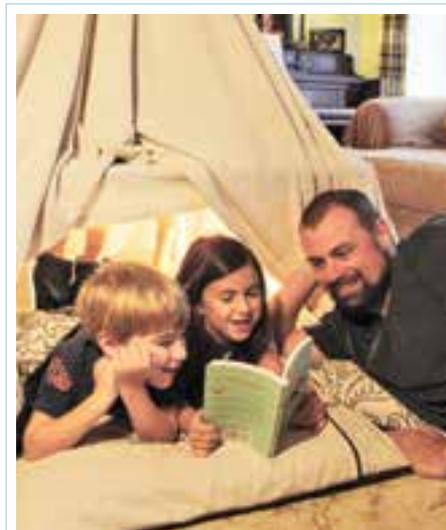
It's worth it

As one mom said, Core C "is a great collection of books tied together with an Instructor's Guide. Worth every penny." From what I've heard, plenty of others would agree! May you have a wonderful time teaching your children.



Enjoy!
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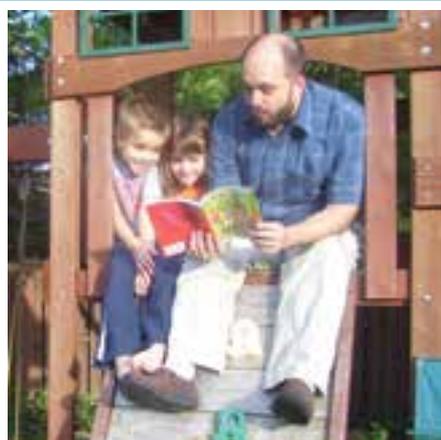
LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"It was a relief to find a curriculum that had already compiled the best of the best," writes Gretchen C of Easley, SC. "Before Sonlight, I made so many trips to the library to find books that reinforced our learning, often to be disappointed with the selections. We love spending time together while using the Sonlight approach of living books to teach history and culture. Here, it had been raining for days and days when my daughter built a blanket fort and snuggled up with her book, *Pippi Longstocking*. Before long her brother joined her, and then Daddy came home." Beyla (7) and Ozzie (6) are enjoying their first year of Sonlight.



“It truly was a miracle when I took my son with Asperger’s syndrome out of public school and began homeschooling [with Sonlight],” writes Shaylee H of Amherst, TX. “The books are captivating. The Instructor’s Guides are so easy to use and helpful. Everything you need is right there, ready to go. The Sonlight experience is a warm bonding time with parents and siblings. I still remember the feeling of being rescued and being placed in a wonderland.” Brindle (8, Core C) and Valaree (P3/4 Full-Grade) ham it up for sister Maleea (14, Core 100), who snapped the photo.



“We love the wide variety of literature selections Sonlight includes in each Core,” writes Annette B of Lafayette, IN. “Through the engaging literary characters, inspiring missionary biographies and excellent history books, my children have grown in their understanding of people around them, in their heart for the world, in their awe of God’s power at work today, and in their sense of place and purpose in this world. They giggled their way through Dad’s reading of *My Father’s Dragon*. How would we ever have found this wonderful book without Sonlight?” Strat (5) and Joy (7) are studying Core C in their second Sonlight year.

Your Core C Package includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/CC2R5

Instructor’s Guide Core C

CCG (\$74.99 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.
Core C Tips CD CCD

History & Geography C

4-Day CH4 OR 5-Day CH5

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

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- Good Queen Bess CH10
- Michelangelo CH11

- Peter the Great CH05
- Timeline Figures - C Consumable CH12
- Window on the World CH04

▼ 5-Day Program also includes

- Castle Diary CA15
- Catching Their Talk in a Box CH03
- Eric the Red & Leif the Lucky CH08
- Maps & Globes CH10
- Medicine News CH14

Bible C

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.

- The Awesome Book of Bible Facts CB01
- Sing the Word: God Our Provider (CD) CB02

Read-Alouds C

4-Day CA4 OR 5-Day CA5

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

- The Aesop for Children CA10
- And the Word Came with Power CA13
- The Apprentice CA09
- Captain Nobody CA22
- Cornstalks: A Bushel of Poems CA01
- The Cricket in Times Square CA14
- The Door in the Wall CA03

- The Little Riders CA08
- The Minstrel in the Tower CA19
- Philomena CA20
- Red Sails to Capri CA11
- The School Story CA18
- Sticks Across the Chimney CA24
- Strawberry Girl CA05
- Tales of Robin Hood CA17
- The Twenty-One Balloons CA02
- White Stallion of Lipizza CA12

▼ 5-Day Program also includes

- Adventures of Sir Lancelot the Great CA21
- Encyclopedia Brown Cracks the Case CA29
- Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! CA25
- Hidden Tales from Eastern Europe CA23
- Pippi Longstocking CA27

+ Plus Your choice of a **Readers with Language Arts Program**

Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2

2RP (\$127.81 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers

- Amelia Bedelia 2R23
- The Beginner’s Bible 2R17
- The Big Balloon Race 2R15
- Daniel’s Duck 2R18
- The Fire Cat 2R20
- Frog and Toad All Year 2R22

- Frog and Toad are Friends 2R02
- Frog and Toad Together 2R03
- Greg’s Microscope 2R21
- Hill of Fire 2R09
- Mouse Tales 2R16
- Nate the Great 2R19
- Owl at Home 2R04

- Pompeii: Buried Alive! 2R11
- Surprises 2R24
- The Sword in the Tree 2R27
- Titanic: Lost and Found 2R12
- Wagon Wheels 2R14

▼ Language Arts

- Language Arts 2 Instructor’s Guide 2LG

OR

Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3

3RP (\$159.71 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers

- The Chalk Box Kid 3R36
- Clara and the Bookwagon 3R30
- Cora Frear 3R38
- The House on Walenska Street 3R46
- Jake Drake: Bully Buster 3R42
- Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie 3R34
- The Last Little Cat 3R48

- The Littles 3R47
- The Long Way to a New Land 3R31
- The Long Way Westward 3R32
- The Paint Brush Kid 3R37
- Prairie School 3R33
- A Question of Yams 3R45
- Riding the Pony Express 3R49
- The Secret Valley 3R44

- Third Grade Detectives #1 and #2 3R35
- Third Grade Detectives #4 3R43
- Third Grade Detectives #10 3R40
- Tippy Lemmey 3R39
- Tornado 3R41
- Viking Adventure 3R50

▼ Language Arts

- Language Arts 3 Instructor’s Guide 3LG

OR

Grade 4-5 Readers with Language Arts 4-5

4RP (\$183.17 if ordered separately)

▼ Readers

- Along Came a Dog 4R62
- “B” is for Betsy 4R61
- Betsy & Tacy Go Over the Big Hill 4R41
- The Children of Noisy Village 4R43
- Emily’s Runaway Imagination 4R49
- Encyclopedia Brown 4R44
- Frindle 4R59

- Ginger Pye 4R01
- Henry and Ribsy 4R40
- The King’s Equal 4R46
- A Llama in the Family 4R56
- Lumber Camp Library 4R55
- Marco Polo 4R65
- McBroom’s Wonderful One-Acre Farm 4R58
- Misty of Chincoteague 4R45

- More Stories from Grandma’s Attic 4R47
- Mustang: Wild Spirit of the West 4R51
- Ralph S. Mouse 4R63
- Socks 4R54
- The Toothpaste Millionaire 4R57
- The Whipping Boy 4R53

▼ Language Arts

- Language Arts 4-5 Instructor’s Guide 4LG



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✓ **Core C: Intro to World History Year 2 of 2**

Includes Instructor's Guide C, History C, Bible C, Read-Alouds C, and your choice of a Readers with Language Arts program.

Choose one:	4-Day	5-Day
+ Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2	<input type="checkbox"/> CC2R4 \$399 <small>Retail \$510.85! You save \$111.85!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> CC2R5 \$469 <small>Retail \$580.77! You save \$111.77!</small>
+ Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3	<input type="checkbox"/> CC3R4 \$439 <small>Retail \$542.75! You save \$103.75!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> CC3R5 \$489 <small>Retail \$612.67! You save \$123.67!</small>
+ Grade 4-5 Readers with Language Arts 4-5	<input type="checkbox"/> CC4R4 \$459 <small>Retail \$566.21! You save \$107.21!</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> CC4R5 \$519 <small>Retail \$636.13! You save \$117.13!</small>

Required Resources (If you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> 3" Binder & Tabs p.135	B050	\$20.99
<input type="checkbox"/> The Timeline Book p.96	RR120	\$25.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Markable Map and Markers p.96	MAP	\$27.98
<input type="checkbox"/> Child's History of the World p.96	CH07	\$33.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Usborne Time Travelers p.96	BH01	\$22.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Usborne Book of World History p.96	CH02	\$24.99

Optional Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> Audio Memory® Geography Additional Workbook Consumable	CH061	\$6.95
➤ Language Arts Optional Resources p.99		

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Handwriting Without Tears 2 p. 105 **HW2 \$20.40**
Core C students often thrive with *Handwriting Without Tears 2*. For a different level or other award-winning methods, see pp. 103-106.



Science C p. 109 **CS5 \$175.85**
Many Core C customers love Sonlight's Science C. For other easy-to-use, hands-on Sonlight science programs, see pp. 107-112.



Horizons Math 2 Program p. 118 **H2M \$202.43**
Many Core C students do best with *Horizons Math 2 Program*. For other outstanding math curricula, see pp. 113-125.

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➤ **Full-Grade Package**
Save money & time: get our recommendations for the subjects above in one easy-to-order, extra-discounted package! (See pp. 6-19)

WANT ELECTIVES?



Electives C pp. 126-132 **CRE \$85.88**
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend *Electives C*, which includes *How Artists See Feelings* (p. 129), *How Artists See the Elements* (p. 129) and *Classical Kids Collection* (p. 130).

NEED EXTRA RESOURCES?



✓ **Resources** pp. 133-136
Recommended Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> The Three R's by Ruth Beechick p.135	KL01	\$12.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MathTacular® p.125	RM32	\$24.99

"The Instructor's Guides are amazing – I don't have to plan anything!"
– Mary Ann H, June 2013



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on everything when you purchase a Core Package
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BENEFITS

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- 👤 Hands-on activities
- 💰 10% off all additional purchases for a year
- 📅 Optional interest-free payment plans
- 🎓 50% of IG repurchase
- 🗣️ Sonlight Forums

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"I can trust Sonlight to have interesting, challenging, Christ-centered materials that are always just right for Elizabeth's academic level," writes Beth K of Pineville, AR. "My husband and I are so thankful for the flexibility a Sonlight education offers. We can have school anywhere, anytime! As a working mother, my time is often short. I'm so grateful that I can open my Sonlight [Instructor's Guide] binder and have my little girl's education all planned out. Like most Sonlight families, Box Day is one of the most exciting days in our year!" The joy on Elizabeth's (6) face is apparent as she hugs her Core C materials in preparation for her third Sonlight year.



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History & Geography



Bible Read-Alouds



Readers with Language Arts



Core D with Regular Readers

Settle foreign lands, battle for freedom and form a revolutionary new government!

- Relive American history from the early Native Americans through the 1850s.
- Guide your children with confidence: You get daily lesson plans and complete materials for the entire year.
- Embrace the innovative spirit that characterized early American history.
- Bond with your kids as you spark their love of learning!



"Through the wonderful books included in Core D, we've been able to better understand the lives of the Navajo, Hopi and Anasazi people who lived on this land," writes Tegan L of Kayenta, AZ. "We choose Sonlight because we want learning to be enjoyable and meaningful for our children. Sonlight has been an integral piece of our transition from the city to rural life on a reservation. Books such as the *American Indian Prayer Guide* and *Walk the World's Rim* have opened our eyes to the ways in which people survived here and the historical wounds that still affect some of them today." Seen here reading against a rock-and-petroglyphs backdrop, Annika and Isaak (11 and 8, Core D) and Mykah (5, P3/4 Full-Grade) have been studying with Sonlight three years.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 3½-4½ hrs | Parent: 2-3 hrs

Totally interconnected learning

Well-suited for 9-, 10- and 11-year-olds and advanced 8-year-olds, Core D marks the beginning of a new kind of Core. For the first time, History, Geography, Language Arts, Read-Alouds and Readers are all linked together. Meet Paul Revere in a History book, and then see him in a Reader. Get to know George Washington in a biography, and then see him again through children's eyes in *Johnny Tremain* and *Phoebe the Spy*.

As your children learn and discover in this style, they'll make astonishing connections between the people, places and events in American History.

Discover the fascinating foundations of a unique nation

Bring life to your American heritage. Ask questions such as: What makes this nation different? How did it come to exist? Why don't we have a king? Who lived in North America before Christopher Columbus came? Why did settlers risk everything to start over in the New World?

Even if you're not from the U.S., learn valuable context for the world as it is today. See firsthand how the first modern democratic republic began. Discover how Americans fostered personal freedom and the spirit of innovation that so many countries emulate today.

A tour of Core D

The Landmark History of the American People, Volume 1, serves as your central History book this year. Completely revised and more readable than

ever, this full color text includes timelines, maps and more than twice the illustrations.

It's a fascinating approach to American culture and events, from the Pilgrims to the mid-1800s. Learn about the social forces and cultural influences that have made Americans the unique people they are. Learn how necessity drove early settlers to innovate and to leave behind certain European conventions.

Biographies, historical fiction and absorbing readers add depth to your study. Key players in early American history will come to feel like old friends. Meet people you should know for cultural literacy – fascinating characters like Pocahontas, Benjamin Franklin, and Lewis and Clark.

Also meet ordinary Americans who did extraordinary things for God around the world. Like Adoniram and Ann Judson, the first American missionaries. Follow their adventures as they share God's love in Burma and translate the Scriptures. Watch God work mightily even when Adoniram is imprisoned!

My vision for Core D

My overarching goal for this Core and its companion, Core E, is for children to understand the context and progression of American History. I want them to grasp why people came to a new land and how they persevered and settled the continent.

I want them to know that entire civilizations lived here before the Europeans arrived. That our Founding Fathers struggled mightily to create a new sense of equality and write a lasting Constitu-

tion. I want them to see that settlers and founding fathers were faced every day with decisions about how to live in a new world.

In the lower grades, we shy away from discussing too many harsh realities of our early history. We touch on struggles between American Indians and settlers and the sad realities of racial conflicts, but don't dwell on them.

Instead, we focus on the hard-working, vibrant spirit that helped families of settlers, immigrants, pioneers and pilgrims overcome big obstacles. We celebrate the positive in our history: the establishment of a government by a free people apart from a king, the move toward unprecedented equality, the compassion that has historically flowed out of

the American Church, two Great Awakenings that led thousands back to God ... I could go on.

As a people, we Americans have been far from perfect, but there's still much good in our history to teach. As you take this exciting trek through the early American years, we've got the tools you need.

WITH CORE D YOU RECEIVE



Instructor's Guide

Just open up your Core D Instructor's Guide (IG) each day to see what's in store. The daily schedule, discussion questions, notes and helps turn your great books into a cohesive curriculum. Your lesson plans are done for the entire year! You spend almost no time preparing and lots of time in quality face-to-face interaction with your children. Request the first three weeks of this guide for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

Hands-on activities

Core D includes a handy CD-ROM packed with hands-on activity suggestions that coordinate with what you're reading and learning throughout the year. Choose from weekly suggestions that reinforce concepts and add some serious fun during school time!

History & Geography

Travel through American life with story-based history books, biographies and enriching extras. Tie everything together with the timeline that helps you visually map the progression of early American History. Get ready to:

- Discover empires that thrived here long before Europeans arrived in the New World.
- Sail with Christopher Columbus on his first journey of discovery to the Americas.
- Cheer as a strange tribal law saves the first permanent English settlement in America and the life of Captain John Smith.

Bible

Dive into God's Word each day as you read from the Gospel of Luke, the Acts of the Apostles, several of Paul's letters, King David's story, Psalms and much more.

Let the *American Indian Prayer Guide* help your children learn to pray for tribes in North, South and Central America. Children will also study an easy-to-read full text of the Bible and learn to sing entire Psalms and other Scripture to the beautiful music of a Sing the Word CD.

Read-Alouds

Spend many wonderful hours reading together this year. Some of my favorite Core D Read-Alouds include:

- *Walk the World's Rim*, where you meet Europeans in Texas long before the Pilgrims landed.
- *The Sign of the Beaver*, a Newbery Honor tale about a white boy rescued by an Indian chief.
- *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*, a Newbery Medal book about family, justice, and courage. (And despite the title, there is no witch nor witchcraft in this story.)

Readers

With Core D, your children's Readers tie directly into the History content of the Core. These masterfully written, adventure-filled stories help cement the transition from "learning to read" to "reading to learn."

For children who are voracious readers or are on the older end of the Core D age range, choose the Readers D Advanced package. You'll get all the Regular Readers plus nine more gripping books.

Language Arts

Core D helps your children develop as writers through instruction in grammar, writing mechanics and creative expression. Children write in a wide variety of styles as they learn about similes, metaphors, hyperbole and more. Dictation exercises based upon famous quotations and Bible verses help children learn to recognize and imitate good writing.

With student activity sheets, parent instructions, answers, definitions and more, you have what you need to help your kids succeed.

"When we started using Sonlight with our daughter four years ago, her [standardized test] reading score soared. But more than that, our reluctant learner turned into a student with an unquenchable appetite for knowledge!"

— Rachel K, Aug. 2013

Music to a mother's ears

Years ago, my youngest girl closed a Core D book, sighed and said, "I've never read a book that I didn't love." I think you'll find that a testimony to the quality of Sonlight books. May it be that your children develop a similar love of learning this year!



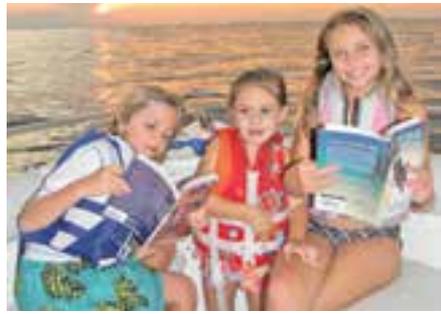
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LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"There are many reasons we choose Sonlight each year: We love the books, the Christ-centered curriculum and we really do love to learn!" writes Sarah R of Adel, IA. "One of my prayers for homeschooling was that our children would have fun while learning together. Sonlight helped answer that prayer by providing great Readers, Read-Alouds, History lessons, Science experiments and Bible memory verses set to music that we can enjoy together. On this beautiful summer day, they took some of their favorite books outside to enjoy with each other." In their fifth Sonlight year, Karli (5) is using Core A with Language Arts 1 and Samantha (8) is using Core D. They're studying Science A and E together.



“Sonlight has made it so easy to work with our schedule, which includes working around Dad’s schedule,” writes Amy B of Orange Beach, AL. “I love that we can take school with us and have quality family time, no matter when or where that happens to be. Choosing Sonlight as our curriculum has been one of the best choices we’ve made. Everything is laid out for us in the fabulous Instructor’s Guides, which are so easy to follow. I love the literature-based learning and Sonlight Readers are a huge hit with my kids. On this gorgeous evening, they don’t even mind reading on the boat.” In the family’s second Sonlight year, Noah (7), Carsyn (3) and Taylor (9) are finishing up Cores B and D.



“Sonlight did the hard work of planning a curriculum for a new-to-homeschooling mom and made it fun,” writes Terena R of Newton, KS. “We noticed almost immediately that our daughter just grabbed ahold of history. When we began studying early American history, she begged me to make this dress because she wanted to experience what we were studying. She would often wear it to class (and to our church Thanksgiving dinner), and we saw her imagination come alive as she acted out what she had studied.” In her first year of Sonlight, Sydney (9) is experiencing Core D.

Core D includes these great items! For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/DCD5

Instructor’s Guide D DCG (\$109.99 if ordered separately)
Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.
Core D Tips CD DCD

History & Geography D 4-Day DH4 OR 5-Day DH5

4- and 5-Day Program includes

Adoniram Judson: Bound for Burma	DH20	The Landmark History of the American People, Vol 1	DH10	What’s the Big Idea, Ben Franklin?	DH01
And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?	DH02	The Lewis & Clark Expedition	DH14	5-Day Program also includes	
Children’s Encyclopedia of American History	DH21	North American Indians	DH12	From Sea to Shining Sea for Young Readers	DH19
If You Were There When They Signed the Constitution	DH03	Pedro’s Journal	DH08	The Light and the Glory for Young Readers	DH17
Incans, Aztecs & Mayans	DH05	Timeline Figures - D Consumable	DH16	The Very First Americans	DH18
				The Winter at Valley Forge	DH04

Bible D DBP
Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.

American Indian Prayer Guide	DB01	The Discoverer’s Bible for Young Readers	DB02	Sing the Word: Great in Counsel and Mighty in Deed (CD)	DB03
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Read-Alouds D 4-Day DA4 OR 5-Day DA5

4- and 5-Day Program includes

Calico Bush	DA10	Justin Morgan Had a Horse	DA09	5-Day Program also includes	
Carry On, Mr. Bowditch	DA06	The Sign of the Beaver	DA02	The Candymakers	DA17
A Child’s Introduction to Poetry	DA13	Swift Rivers	DA12	Lawn Boy	DA14
Johnny Tremain	DA04	Toliver’s Secret	DA05	The Secret of the Sealed Room	DA16
The Journeyman	DA11	Walk the World’s Rim	DA08	Tree in the Trail	DA15
		The Witch of Blackbird Pond	DA03		

+ Plus Your choice of a **Readers** set

Readers D Regular DRP (\$111.85 if ordered separately)

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain	DR11	Meet George Washington	DR05	Sarah, Plain and Tall	DR07
The Cabin Faced West	DR09	Meet Thomas Jefferson	DR03	Sarah Whitcher’s Story	DR12
The Courage of Sarah Noble	DR08	Om-kas-toe	DR16	The Skippack School	DR14
A Lion to Guard Us	DR13	Phoebe the Spy	DR04	Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims	DR10
The Matchlock Gun	DR02	Pocahontas and the Strangers	DR01	The Thanksgiving Story	DR15
		Robert Fulton, Boy Craftsman	DR06		



Readers D Advanced DRX (\$179.77 if ordered separately)

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain	DR11	Pocahontas and the Strangers	DR01	Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia	DX07
The Cabin Faced West	DR09	Robert Fulton, Boy Craftsman	DR06	The Corn Grows Ripe	DX09
The Courage of Sarah Noble	DR08	Sarah, Plain and Tall	DR07	George Washington: Our First Leader	DX02
A Lion to Guard Us	DR13	Sarah Whitcher’s Story	DR12	Mr. Revere and I	DX08
The Matchlock Gun	DR02	The Skippack School	DR14	Naya Nuki	DX03
Meet George Washington	DR05	Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims	DR10	Stone Fox	DX06
Meet Thomas Jefferson	DR03	The Thanksgiving Story	DR15	The Story of Eli Whitney	DH15
Om-kas-toe	DR16			Tikta’Liktak	DX05
Phoebe the Spy	DR04			Vostaas: White Buffalo’s Story of Plains Indian Life	DX04

Language Arts D
Included in your Core D Instructor’s Guide.



STEP 1
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Core D: Intro to American History Year 1 of 2

Includes Instructor's Guide D, History D, Bible D, Read-Alouds D, Language Arts D, and your choice of Readers.

Choose one:

	4-Day	5-Day
+ Readers D Regular	<input type="checkbox"/> DCD4 <small>Retail \$504.98! You save \$105.98!</small> \$399	<input type="checkbox"/> DCD5 <small>Retail \$582.87! You save \$103.87!</small> \$479
+ Readers D Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> DCX4 <small>Retail \$572.90! You save \$103.90!</small> \$469	<input type="checkbox"/> DCX5 <small>Retail \$650.79! You save \$111.79!</small> \$539

Language Arts D

Included in your Core D Instructor's Guide.

Required Resources (If you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> 3" Binder & Tabs p.135	B050	\$20.99
<input type="checkbox"/> The Timeline Book p.96	RR120	\$25.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Markable Map and Markers p.96	MAP	\$27.98
<input type="checkbox"/> Sequential Spelling p.102	RL50-RL56	\$14.95

Optional Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> Worldly Wise 3000 Book 3 Set p.101	3L100	\$18.05
<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Language Arts Activity Sheets Consumable	DLG1	\$12.99

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Handwriting Without Tears 3 p. 105 **HW3 \$23.39**
Core D students often thrive with *Handwriting Without Tears 3*. For a different level or other award-winning methods, see pp. 103-106.



Science D p. 109 **DS5 \$239.81**
Many Core D customers love Sonlight's Science D. For other easy-to-use, hands-on Sonlight science programs, see pp. 107-112.



Teaching Textbooks Math 3 p. 119 **3M20 \$119.90**
Many Core D students do best with *Teaching Textbooks Math 3*. For other outstanding math curricula, see pp. 113-125.

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WANT ELECTIVES?



Electives D pp. 126-132 **DRE \$60.93**
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend *Electives D*, which includes *Usborne: Children's Book of Art* (p. 129), *Story of the Orchestra* (p. 130) and *Critical Thinking Activities Book K-3* (p. 132).

NEED EXTRA RESOURCES?



Resources pp. 133-136
Recommended Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> The Three R's by Ruth Beechick p.135	KL01	\$12.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Lyrical Life Science, Vol 1 Non-Animal Kingdoms and Non-Mammalian Animals p.134	RS51	\$29.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Lyrical Life Science, Vol 2 Mammals, Ecology, & Biomes p.134	RS52	\$29.50

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- Free FedEx shipping (to 48 states)
- Hands-on activities
- 10% off all additional purchases for a year
- Optional interest-free payment plans
- 50% of IG repurchase
- Sonlight Forums

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"We were blessed by the history in Core D and the great Readers that accompanied the curriculum," writes Kim T of Knoxville, TN. "It prepared us for a visit to our capital and Williamsburg. I believe that Hunter could have been our tour guide! My son becomes excited when he gets to write about Patrick Henry, George Washington, and the Lewis and Clark Expedition. We have yet to find a Reader that we don't like. What a joy it is to have a 9-year-old excited about learning American history. Every time we read about heroes, he wants to be just like them." Four years into his Sonlight studies, Hunter (Core D) here leans on a pillar at the Lincoln Memorial.

"Sonlight schooling is just another part of family time; it's a chance for us to have adventures and make some great memories together."
— Leandra K, May 2013



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History & Geography

Bible

Read-Alouds

Readers with Language Arts

Core D+E

Journey through all of American history

- Experience the story of our nation from before Columbus to the present day.
- Enjoy fascinating books as you follow the lesson plan each day.
- Embrace the innovative spirit that has characterized American history.
- Meet early explorers, American Indians, founding heroes, famous inventors and ordinary citizens with extraordinary stories.



“Sonlight’s books encourage reading – anytime, anywhere,” writes Michelle H of Australia. They are special enough to do what no school desk or computer could ever do: keep Joshua and new puppy Lizzie engrossed and engaged. Without Sonlight, our children wouldn’t have developed such a love for reading. We changed curriculum for a couple of years, but thankfully, the Lord brought us back to Sonlight and we’ll never change again!” Joshua (10) is studying Core D+E. The H family, with three additional children, has been schooling with Sonlight for nine years.

The best of two Cores

Want the highlights of American history in one Core? I chose the very best of Cores D and E and created this condensed program. Take a thrilling ride through all of U.S. history – from before Columbus to modern times! This Core is best for 10-, 11- and 12-year-olds and advanced 9-year-olds.

Link your learning

Core D+E links together your History, Geography, Language Arts, Read-Alouds and Readers. Get to know George Washington in a history book, then see him again through the eyes of two young people in *Johnny Tremain* and *Phoebe the Spy*. As your children read books that touch the same subject from different directions, they will recognize astonishing connections between the people, places and events in history.

Why this condensed Core?

I created Core D+E to serve customers who want to study American History for one year instead of two at this level. Perhaps you’re new to Sonlight and want to move quickly to the higher Cores. Perhaps you’re Canadian and would prefer to study American History with Sonlight for a year, Canadian History on your own for a year, and then come back to Sonlight for the Eastern Hemisphere Core F program. Though the full Cores D and E provide even richer learning experiences, this Core gives a fantastic overview of what you need to know.

Even if you’re not from the U.S., you learn valuable context for understanding today’s world. See firsthand how the first modern democratic republic

began. Discover how Americans fostered personal freedom and the spirit of innovation that so many countries emulate today.

A tour of the program

Bring life to the history of this unique nation. Walk alongside families whose lives intersect with major historical events. Meet characters who grapple with the difficulties around them and overcome in the end.

When I first picked up the primary text for Core D+E, I read it all in one sitting. Completely revised and now more engaging than ever, in full color, with timelines, maps and more than twice the illustrations, *The Landmark History of the American People, Volume 1 & Volume 2*, is a true gem! The first text takes you from the Pilgrims to the mid-1800s, while the second spans the Civil War to the late 20th century. The two-volume set covers the key events you want to teach, focusing on the social history of America. The result is a work that gives children a fresh view of life in the U.S.

Biographies, historical fiction and absorbing Readers add depth to your chronological study. Key players in American history feel like old friends. You meet people you should know in order to be culturally literate – fascinating characters like Christopher Columbus, Benjamin Franklin, Harriet Tubman and Hellen Keller.

Core D+E covers as much history as Cores D and E combined, but I’ve cut it all down to a comfortable one-year size. You hit all the high points and dive deeper into some particularly interesting times along the way.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 3½-5 hrs | **Parent:** 2-3 hrs



My Vision for Core D+E

The overarching goal for this Core is for children to understand the context and progression of American history. I want children to grasp why people came to a new land and how they persevered and settled the continent. I want them to get excited about the American spirit of creativity and entrepreneurship that has stayed alive through the years.

Children will see that entire civilizations lived here before the Europeans arrived. That our Founding Fathers struggled mightily to create a

new sense of equality and write a lasting Constitution. That normal families of pilgrims, pioneers and immigrants persevered and overcame great obstacles.

Find out how Americans' unique perspective – our egalitarianism, our desire for change and our “can-do” spirit – contributed to inventions such as ready-to-wear clothing, department stores and skyscrapers. Discover why time zones and “fast food” came into existence. Examine how mass immigration, women's suffrage and the Great Depression impacted the social, political, and eco-

nomie climate of the country. Discuss how racism has influenced life for individuals and the entire nation throughout the years.

Celebrate the positive aspects of our history: the establishment of a government by a free people apart from a king, the move toward unprecedented equality, the compassion that has historically flowed out of the American Church, two Great Awakenings that led thousands back to God ... I could go on. Americans have been far from perfect, but there's certainly a lot of good in our history to teach our children.

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Instructor's Guide

Just open up your Core D+E Instructor's Guide each day and see what's in store. The daily schedule, discussion questions, notes and helps turn your great books into a cohesive curriculum. Your lesson plans are already done for the entire year! You spend almost no time preparing and almost all your time in face-to-face interaction with your children. Request the first three weeks of this guide for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

Hands-on Activities

A handy CD-ROM provides tons of hands-on activity suggestions that coordinate with what you'll learn each week in Core D+E. Choose from weekly suggestions that reinforce concepts and add serious fun and variety during school time!

History & Geography

Travel through centuries of fascinating life with story-based history books and enriching extras. You get to:

- Sail with Christopher Columbus on his first journey of discovery to the Americas.
- Learn soul-stirring songs that inspired the formation of the USA.

Bible

Start your children on the journey of personal Bible study this year. The practical study guide *Starting Strong* helps them discover profound truths about God in Scripture.

Read together each day from the Gospels, the book of Romans, the letter to the Galatians, 1st and 2nd Chronicles, the minor prophets and much more. Your children will hide the Word in their hearts each week to the tunes of a delightful *Sing the Word* CD. And they'll learn to pray for Native American tribes of North, South and Central America with the insightful *American Indian Prayer Guide*.

Read-Alouds

Spend wonderful hours reading together this year. Some of my favorites here include:

- Experience the Great Depression alongside an 11-year-old girl. Will her letter to President Roosevelt's wife save her family's dignity?
- *Little Britches*, my husband's favorite Read-Aloud!
- *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*, a powerful story about family and courage in Puritan America. (There isn't any witch or witchcraft in this story.)
- *Caddie Woodlawn*, a book about a spunky 11-year-old girl on the Western frontier.

Readers

Your children's Readers tie directly into the History content of the Core. These masterfully written, adventure-filled stories help cement the transition from “learning to read” to “reading to learn.”

Language Arts

Core D+E's complete Language Arts program coordinates with your Readers and Read-Alouds to help your children develop essential writing skills. Weekly dictation exercises give children opportunities to recognize and imitate good writing, while a variety of creative and unique writing assignments encourage them to explore various writing styles. Children learn advanced writing techniques such as varying sentence length, using active voice, creating authentic dialog and more.

You get the tools you need to guide your children successfully, including student activity sheets, teaching helps, parent instructions, full answers, definitions and more.

Hooked on reading

Watch your kids get hooked on reading with this Core. It's hard not to devour such thrilling books! May you all enjoy the fascinating story of a nation growing up.



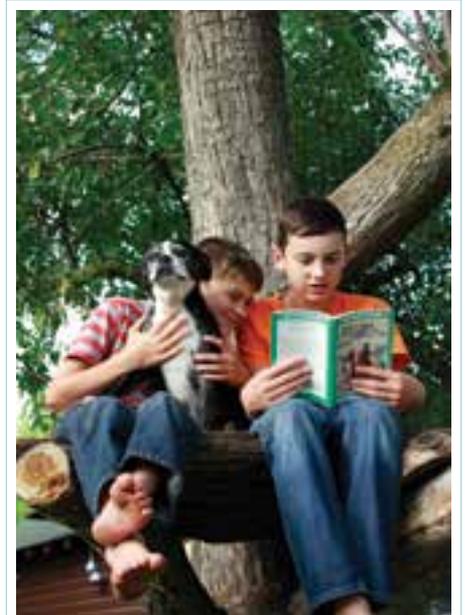
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LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



 You know you're a homeschooler when ... your 14-year-old expresses concern over his public school friend's vocabulary. (“He doesn't know what *acclimated* means!”)



“Our desire was for a program that would develop thinking and research skills in our boys,” writes Carla T of Cameron, WI. “Since both were already avid readers, the Sonlight curriculum was a natural fit. It's great to see Samuel and Atticus really think about what they're learning, and then take that to the next level by further researching stories and subjects they've read about. Here, they're enjoying a beautiful day reading *Moccasin Trail* with their dog, Molly. They both love reading to our two cats, as well!” Atticus (11) and Samuel (13) are together tackling Core D+E in their initial Sonlight year.



“Sonlight encompasses all the ideals I ever hoped to achieve spiritually and scholastically for my children, and provides the tools for me to accomplish those goals,” writes Nancy R of Paducah, KY. “After homeschooling without joy for a decade, I was at a dead end. I approached a Sonlight mom for advice and made the switch. Last year we enjoyed our best school year ever and now own six full Cores! Not only was our school journey transformed, but our lives also, as we began to function better as a family.” Here, Gantry (8, Core D+E) shares his Science experiment with Hayden (3, P3/4 Full-Grade) and Gatlin (6, Core B).



“I chose Core D+E for my son’s fifth grade education because I wanted him to get a firm foundation of American history before learning about the rest of the world,” writes Amanda W of Sibley, LA. “I was hesitant to start homeschooling again after a failed attempt, so I asked my sister who has homeschooled for 20 years what to do, and she told me about Sonlight. She knew that Caleb is a very strong reader and felt it would appeal to him because of the Readers and the way it incorporates history so strongly into the curriculum. He has found it challenging, exciting and enjoyable!” Caleb (10) here reads poetry to baby sister Charity

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Instructor’s Guide D+E

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Core D+E Tips CD DECD

DECG (\$109.99 if ordered separately)

History & Geography D+E

Children’s Encyclopedia of American History	DH21	The Landmark History of the American People, Vol 1	DH10	Pedro’s Journal	DEHP
Hero Over Here	ER19	The Landmark History of the American People, Vol 2	EH12	Timeline Figures - D+E Consumable	DEH01
In Search of the Source	EA13			Wee Sing America (CD)	EH04

Bible D+E

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.

American Indian Prayer Guide	DB01	Sing the Word: The Heavens Declare (CD)	EB02	Starting Strong Consumable	DEBP
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Read-Alouds D+E

Across Five Aprils	EA03	Little Britches	EA08	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	EA06
Caddie Woodlawn	EA05	Miracles on Maple Hill	EA07	Walk the World’s Rim	DA08
Carry On, Mr. Bowditch	DA06	Moccasin Trail	EA11	The Witch of Blackbird Pond	DA03
Johnny Tremain	DA04	Oxford Illustrated Book of American Children’s Poems	EA04		
A Letter to Mrs. Roosevelt	EH01				

Readers D+E

By the Great Horn Spoon	ER02	The Lewis & Clark Expedition	DH14	Shades of Gray	ER04
The Cabin Faced West	DR09	The Matchlock Gun	DR02	The Story of Thomas Alva Edison	ER20
Freedom Train: The Story of Harriet Tubman	ER03	Old Yeller	ER06	Thimble Summer	ER09
The Great Turkey Walk	EA02	Om-kas-toe	DR16	Toliver’s Secret	DA05
The Great Wheel	EA10	Phoebe the Spy	DR04	Turn Homeward, Hannalee	ER05
Helen Keller	ER07	Pocahontas and the Strangers	DR01	What’s the Big Idea, Ben Franklin?	DH01
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson	ER10	Sarah, Plain and Tall	DR07	The Wright Brothers	ER15
		The Seventeenth Swap	ER13		

Language Arts D+E

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“We are in our first week of Sonlight, using Core D+E. My daughter no longer groans when it’s time to begin school. Today I asked her if she was enjoying the curriculum and she said, ‘No Mom, I’m LOVING IT.’”
— *Jais_mom, July 2013*



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- Sequential Spelling** p.102 RL50-RL56 \$14.95

Optional Resources

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- Extra Language Arts Activity Sheets** Consumable DELG1 \$12.99

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Teaching Textbooks 4th Grade + MathTacular3 p.120 T4M \$144.89

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- Sonlight Forums

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Be a grammar ace
with **Grammar Ace**
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"When she discovered that her Readers, Read-Alouds, and History lessons were all related material, Syd's eyes lit up with excitement!" writes Susan J of Miamisburg, OH. "Diagnosed with a form of autism, she has struggled to keep up with her school-mates for years. We decided on Sonlight for many reasons. It was all planned out for me, and being a new homeschooler, that alone was a huge weight lifted. The curriculum is full of the Word of God and we all enjoy the Bible lessons together. She's now flourishing in all subjects!" Sydney (10) is studying Core D+E in her first Sonlight year.

"I love how everything is laid out for me and we can dive in to learning!"
— Beth W., July 2013





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History & Geography



Bible



Read-Alouds



Readers with Language Arts



Core E

Experience America's history from the 1850s on

- Complete the epic adventure you started in Core D.
- Relax as you enjoy fascinating books – just follow the daily lesson plans.
- Get to know heroes like William Wilberforce, Eleanor Roosevelt and the Wright brothers!
- Explore the spirit and ingenuity that built this nation.



“The selection of Sonlight books we receive with our Core each year brings a passion to my life that overflows in my teaching and enriches each one of our lives,” writes Courtney H of Edmond, OK. “Not only does Sonlight introduce incredible, captivating and truly inspiring books to my children, but to my husband and me, as well. With all the curriculum choices available, I can understand that Sonlight may not be a fit for every family. However, I’m extremely grateful that Sonlight is a fit for the Happy Hearts Homeschool. We’re here to stay!” In the family’s fifth Sonlight year, Hayden (9, Core E) and Gunnar (6, Core A) participate in a theatre production inspired by *Clara and the Bookwagon*, a favorite from Core B.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 3½-5 hrs | **Parent:** 2-3 hrs

The best of the best books

I just get plain excited when I talk about Core E. Ask for my favorite book and I’ll rattle off 20 titles! I designed this Core as the second half of the American History journey you started in Core D. Just like Core D, your History, Read-Alouds and Readers are intricately connected for a seamless learning adventure!

This Core is best suited for 10-, 11- and 12-year-olds and advanced 9-year-olds,

Breathe life into your study of history

Core E gives a breathtaking look at America from the Civil War through the late 20th century. With Core E books, walk alongside families whose lives intersect with major events in our history. The Civil War, Westward Expansion, the Industrial Revolution, WWI, the Great Depression, WWII and modern history come to life as characters grapple with the difficulties around them, and overcome in the end.

An overview of Core E

The Landmark History of the American People, Volume 2, is your central History book this year. I’ve read countless American History books, and this one, which provides a fascinating look at how American culture has been shaped since Civil War days, is a gem that gripped me from the beginning!

Landmark History focuses on the social history of America and covers key events that offer your children a fresh view of the U.S. The completely revised text is more readable than ever. It includes helpful timelines and maps, a beautiful full-color

presentation and numerous illustrations. I trust you’ll enjoy this wonderful teaching tool.

Additionally, besides the main tour through U.S. history, Core E also includes a side trip south to let you discover the history and cultures of South America.

Why I created Core E

Students need to study American History. But who wants a dry program full of memorized dates, names and numbers? I created Core E to engage children, give the real-life context in which history happened, and get them excited about the American spirit of creativity and entrepreneurship.

Find out how Americans’ unique perspective – our egalitarianism, our desire for change, and our “can-do” spirit – contributed to inventions such as ready-to-wear clothing, department stores and skyscrapers. Discover why time zones and “fast food” came into existence. Examine how mass immigration, women’s suffrage, the labor movement and the Great Depression impacted the social, political, and economic climate of the country. Discuss how racism has influenced life for individuals and the entire nation throughout the years.

Meet courageous men and women who persevered through hardship and put their creativity to good use – the Wright brothers, George Washington Carver, Thomas Edison and others! Discover the story behind the building of the Brooklyn Bridge and the invention of elevators.

Find answers to intriguing questions: What was life like for normal families during the Civil War? How was it to travel West with a wagon train? How did the Civil Rights movement gain momentum?



Compared to earlier Cores, Core E has a beefier History component. As your kids grow older, you get to add more dimension and depth to your

History study through additional biographies and other books that flesh out their studies.

WITH CORE E YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Without your Instructor's Guide (IG), Core E would be just a pile of great books. Fun to read, but not really a "curriculum." Your IG organizes all these books into a complete learning plan. It helps you use your books in the most effective and strategic way. Your books and timeline fit together to reinforce the concepts you're teaching and add depth to your study. Your prep work is already done. You can focus on learning alongside and enjoying your children! Request a free sample of this guide at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

Hands-on activities

A convenient CD-ROM suggests tons of hands-on activities that coordinate directly with your Core E studies. Choose from weekly suggestions that reinforce concepts. Keep your kinesthetic learners busy and have some fun while you're at it.

History & Geography

Read, grow and learn together. History books, biographies and enriching "extras" add depth to your study this year. Highlights here include:

- A CD with great songs of Americana. These are songs your children should know for the sake of cultural literacy, from "Camptown Races" to "America the Beautiful."
- Timeline figures to continue your ever-expanding timeline. This tool helps you see exactly how history unfolds.
- An accessible look at World Wars I and II, with plenty of appropriate photographs and detailed maps.

Bible

Start your children on the journey of personal Bible study this year. The practical study guide *Starting Strong* helps them discover profound truths about God in Scripture.

You'll read together each day from the Bible and your children will hide the Word in their hearts each week to the tunes of a delightful Sing the Word CD.

Read-Alouds

Oh, the joy you'll discover as you read these books with your kids! Read about real life for Americans through the centuries and ...

- The only biography to win a Newbery Medal.
- Meet one of my all-time favorite heroines: an 11-year-old girl who helps keep peace between Indians and pioneers.

- March through the American Civil War with Jethro. Watch him become a man and begin to understand the issues behind the conflict.
- Join the delightful story of a poor Jewish family in a crowded section of New York City at the turn of the century.
- Hunt buffalo, live in a teepee and ride bareback as you discover what it's like to live as a Crow Indian.
- Enjoy my husband's all-time favorite Read-Aloud: *Little Britches*.

I hope you enjoy these endearing books as much as my family has!

Readers

Your kids will meet inspiring characters such as Helen Keller, Harriet Tubman and a 19-year-old missionary to the jungles of South America. A few Readers are for pure fun, but most tie directly in with Core E's history content.

Language Arts

Core E's complete Language Arts program coordinates with your Readers and Read-Alouds to help your children develop essential writing skills. Weekly dictation exercises give children opportunities to recognize and imitate good writing, while a variety of creative and unique writing assignments encourage them to explore various writing styles. Children learn advanced writing techniques such as varying sentence length, using active voice, creating authentic dialog and more.

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The reading bug

With so many delightful books this year, your kids are sure to catch the reading bug. This might even be the year they start begging to do more school!



Enjoy!

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LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"My daughter has complete faith in the books Sonlight has chosen. Referring to a new Reader, she has said on many occasions, 'I know it will be good, because Sonlight picked it,'" writes Tracy I of Brownsburg, IN. "We started homeschooling with Sonlight (Core A) because we were drawn into the Christian focus and the way Sonlight uses books instead of boring textbooks to teach history. As we approach the teen years, we're still lined up on the couch, happily reading aloud together. I'm so happy with the education we're getting. Not only has my child received a great education, but I've learned so much more than I ever did in public school. I have no desire to try other curricula." Larkin (11, Core E) also has a fondness for Sonlight Science.



"The Christian worldview of Sonlight brought me to this program. The authentic and compelling literature make it a pleasure and joy to use," writes Leslie M of Westland, MI. "We homeschool our six children (ages 2-15), and Sonlight has been the answer to prayer. All our children love to read and insist that we continue with Read-Alouds, even throughout summer break. The discussions that result from the materials are phenomenal. Whenever I have 'one of those days' where I wonder if I'm doing things right, I look at this picture and I'm reassured!" Though 8-year-old Griffin was supposedly "just listening" to his older brothers' Core E history reading, he was so taken in that he promoted himself right into their Core. The M family has now homeschooled for four years and used Sonlight for three.



“Each year we evaluate curricula, but have never felt we could get the same level of cohesion between subjects, depth of content in literature, or the degree of critical-thinking skills to which we’ve grown accustomed with Sonlight,” writes Jill R of Bowdon, GA. “We began using Sonlight in 2006 with our oldest child. We’ve really been drawn to stand in awe of God’s power as we read books about missionaries such as George Mueller and Gladys Aylward. Each new year and box day deliver a whole new gift of academic learning and drawing closer to God as a family.” Here, Carson (9, Core E, Science E) experiences a light bulb moment in his fifth Sonlight year.



“With Sonlight’s approach, Mario has relaxed and discovered the joy of learning,” writes Judy K of Champaign, IL. “There is something unique about a program that combines the love of God with the beauty of carefully chosen children’s literature. I believe it nourishes both mind and soul, feeding the whole person. Facing a diagnosis of ADD and beginning homeschooling all at once was terrifying, but Sonlight was there to guide us, with experienced advisors who were always available to answer our questions, provide support and encourage us along the way. After a little more than one year of homeschooling, Mario has taken another achievement exam and his scores have blossomed ... just like he has.” Now in his second Sonlight year, Mario (10) is all smiles, surrounded by Core E and his dog, Krypto.

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Starting Strong Consumable EB01

EBP

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Oxford Illustrated Book of American Children’s Poems EA04
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry EA06

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American Tall Tales EH15
Half Magic EA18
The Kitchen Madonna EA17
The Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs EA16
Thee, Hannah! EA15

Readers E

All of a Kind Family ER08
Bruchko ER14
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Language Arts E

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“I was scared that my kids wouldn’t get everything they needed if I taught them. Sonlight took that fear away. Everything is put together and planned out for me – no guesswork.”
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Language Arts E

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— Niki H, July 2013

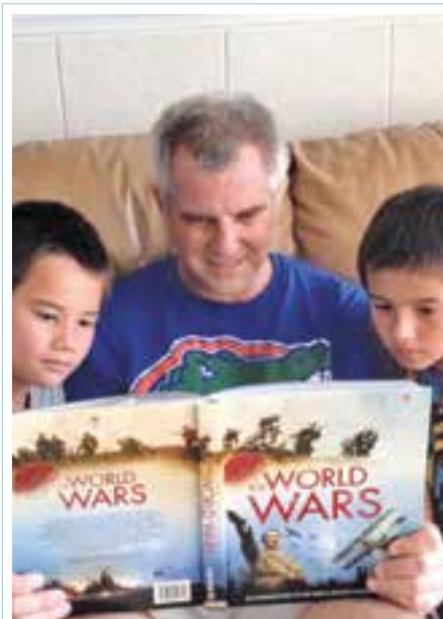
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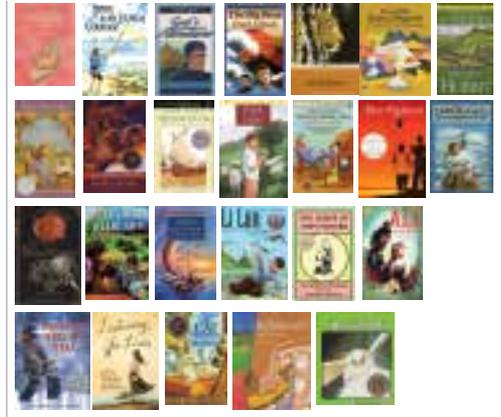
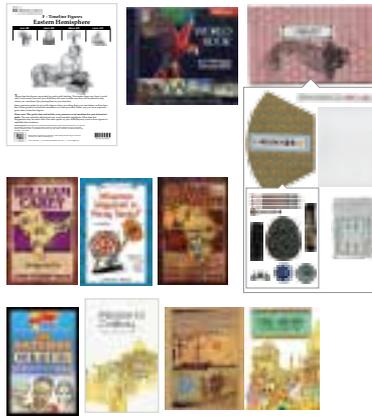
"Due to health problems, my husband became a stay-at-home dad. Sonlight Instructor's Guides provided a detailed schedule, with questions, answers and resources for him to follow," writes Floriane S of Jacksonville, FL. "While reading about WWII, he enjoyed sharing family stories with our boys: how Grandma had to flee from the Russians in the middle of the night at age 5; how Great-Grandpa survived the German army and later served as a guard at the Nuremberg Trials. It has been a lot of heart work, and Sonlight has created some treasured male-bonding memories. Already planning our next year, Dad has added an extra section on how to be a man of God." Now sharing Core E, Samuel (10) and David (9) have been studying with Sonlight since the age of 3.

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History & Geography

Bible Read-Alouds

Readers with Language Arts



Core F

Journey across the mysterious East and glimpse God's heart for the world

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- Teach like a pro: Your complete lesson plans, materials and teaching tips are waiting for you. Just follow along!
- Meet Mother Teresa, brave explorers, and typical families who live on the other side of the world.



"Story of our Sonlight life: always wanting more," writes Kevin S of Chesapeake, VA. "By the end of the first week [of P4/5], we were ahead of schedule. I finally had to tell Kayleigh 'no more.' We did Core F for more than two years. You'd think that we'd be tired of it, but we were sad to see it end. The books were so good I'm surprised we were able to stretch it out, with all of the sneaky reading ahead that goes on around here!" Here, Mackenzie (11, Core F), who's been studying with Sonlight for eight years, is caught on camera, peeking at the next day's lesson. Enthusiastic sister Kayleigh (4) is a new Sonlight student.

Will this Core be your favorite, too?

This beloved Core is unique among Sonlight programs. Its subject matter stands out from home-school programs available anywhere.

Where else can you get a full year's exploration of Asia, the Middle East, Africa and the South Pacific? A huge percentage of the world's population calls the Eastern Hemisphere home. Ninety percent of all unevangelized people live there. If we want our children to understand this increasingly interconnected globe, if we want them to embrace God's heart for the whole world, let's journey to the East!

We've prepared a rich year of adventure and discovery for you and your kids. I've lost track of all the customers who say this is their favorite year. As one mom said last year, "What an utterly fabulous, not-to-be-missed adventure Core F is! It is my new favorite Core." Will it be yours too?

Core F is perfect for 11-, 12- and 13-year-olds and advanced 10-year-olds. But I wouldn't be surprised if the entire family wants to listen in!

Take a cultural adventure

I created Core F to fill a gap in education. In public schools and homeschools, students study Western history and culture year after year after year. So Core F is a cultural and historical journey through the often-overlooked lands of the Eastern Hemisphere.

Unlike the other Cores, this one doesn't focus on one set period of history. Instead, it's a cultural

study that acquaints your children with the fascinating peoples and nations of the East. As you move from region to region, you'll study a subset of history at each stop.

This year's cross-continental itinerary

Take an ambling trek that starts in China and moves through the rest of Asia, over to the Middle East, down to Africa, sweeps through the South Pacific, including Australia and New Zealand, and finishes in Antarctica. Get to know the people and cultures of places you hear about in the news, but may have never studied in-depth (such as Japan, India, the Philippines and Afghanistan).

Because this is such a novel part of the world (to us Westerners, at least!), the history spine for this Core is quite distinctive as well. You'll use the kid-friendly and uncommonly interesting World Book Encyclopedia as a point of departure for each country you visit. Your Instructor's Guide suggests many relevant hands-on activities and lots of fun to help cement your learning.

Core F also uses the Instructor's Guide and the World Book Encyclopedia to teach children how to do basic research. They'll look to the encyclopedia to answer various questions and gain an overview of the region they're visiting. They'll also learn to do some basic (supervised) internet research. This gives them confidence to develop academic research skills in the years ahead.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 4-6 hrs | Parent: 2-3½ hrs



Big-picture goals

My hope for this Core is that children will understand that there's a big part of the world we're often unaware of, but that these nations are not forgotten or lost to God.

I want kids to grasp the fact that not everyone lives like we do in the West. All over the world, people eat, dress, work, play and see the world very differently. But we're also the same in key ways:

God loves all of us and we all need Jesus. Families all over the world love each other; children like to play, learn and explore; we all have to work hard; we all want to be loved and appreciated; we can all overcome obstacles.

I want children to be inspired toward greater compassion and courage through the many missionary biographies featured in this Core. I want them to gain God's heart for lost people every-

where. I want them to understand that we don't need to be afraid of other cultures. At the same time, we don't have to pretend that every aspect of every culture is wonderful.

As children see Christianity compared to religions of the East this year, they will appreciate even more what a great God we serve. We do not pray to lifeless idols; we are not stuck in an endless cycle of reincarnation. Our God is alive, loving and powerful!

WITH CORE F YOU RECEIVE



Instructor's Guide

Like an expert tour guide, your Instructor's Guide (IG) gives you confidence to explore these new lands. You can follow the IG exactly each day, or take detours and reroute your trip as you please. With all your lesson plans already done, your guide makes your books, activities and timeline all fit together to reinforce concepts and allow for effective learning. The riveting discussion questions and background notes help you get the most from your time with your children. Request the first three weeks of this guide for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

History & Geography

Get a splendid store of books and materials this year. Look for inspiring biographies of people through whom God did extraordinary things: from Hudson Taylor in China to William Carey in India to David Livingstone in Africa.

As you learn about countries with such different economic histories from ours, you'll enjoy *Whatever Happened to Penny Candy?*, an easy introduction to basic economics. And throughout your year, timeline figures and maps pull all your learning together.

Bible

Why does God allow bad things to happen? Did Jesus really come back from the dead? Can you have doubts about God and the Bible, and still be a Christian? Your family will confront, explore and discuss challenging questions like these and more. Acclaimed author Lee Strobel – a onetime spiritual skeptic, now a believer and defender of the faith – leads the way and serves as your guide in the single-volume *Case for Kids* (comprised of the children's versions of *The Case for Faith*, *Case for a Creator* and *Case for Christ*).

The core of the Bible program comes through your daily Scripture reading together. Your children will also absorb weekly Scripture memory passages through the catchy global beats of the *Sing the Word: All Nations Shall Worship* CD.

Read-Alouds

Share adventures of life overseas with your children. I've also included a few classics from our own culture. Get ready to:

- See cultures with new eyes as you walk with a young Tibetan girl from her homeland all the way to Calcutta.
- Read my all-time favorite story: *The Horse and His Boy*, one of C. S. Lewis' marvelous tales of Narnia.
- Shuffle behind Marjan, a crippled Persian girl, as she risks her life to collect stories for the Sultan's wife, who must tell him a new tale every night – or be killed.

Readers

Your children will get more glimpses into life in the Eastern Hemisphere through their Readers this year. They'll meet characters who inspire courage, curiosity, strength and lots of fun!

After you meet one such character in *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*, your children will use the included paper to make their own authentic Japanese origami.

Language Arts

Watch your children's creativity blossom this year as they take on more challenging writing assignments. The full Language Arts program integrated into Core F teaches grammar, writing mechanics, research writing and creative expression. Students will recognize and imitate good writing through dictation exercises, explore various writing styles through fun and diverse writing assignments, solidify their natural grasp of grammar and more.

You get the tools you need to guide your children successfully, including student activity sheets, teaching helps, parent instructions, full answers, definitions and more. We also schedule optional workbooks in your Instructor's Guide if you want additional focus in vocabulary or grammar.



Find out what it takes to
be a Sonlight® All-Star!

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An eye-opening journey

May you enjoy Core F as much as countless other Sonlighters have. And may God open our eyes to people who live so differently from us, and whom God loves as much as he loves you and me.



Enjoy!

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LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"Nine years later, I see my kids loving to learn on their own and knowing HOW to do that!" writes Valerie W of Chesapeake, VA. "When I first learned about Sonlight, I thought, 'Yes! This is what I've been looking for!' The two areas that stand out most are: 1) They know how to write and express themselves well, and 2) They understand history and how it all fits together in a way that I never learned." Where Readers are concerned, Angela (12, Core F) loves finding herself up a tree on a sunny day.



“Sonlight is way more than a series of awesome books to read; it is the habit of sitting down on the sofa and digging into a good book and thoughtful conversations,” writes Stephanie R of Mullica Hill, NJ. “These times pull our busy family together in spite of a wide variety of ages, interests and energy levels. I was hesitant to invest in a program that at first seemed like ‘just books.’ But the traditions and values of family time, discussion and critical thinking that our family has developed because of the encouragement I get from the Instructor’s Guide is worth far more than I ever dreamed!” Here, Ethan (10, Core F), Tristan (4, Core A) and Kian (7, Core F) squeeze in to hear Mom read a Sonlight favorite. They and 13-year-old Zara (Core 100) have used Sonlight since the beginning.



“Abbi loved the adventures and learning about the Eastern Hemisphere so much that we were blessed with extra effort and tasty experiments!” writes Margaret B of Co-play, PA. “Thanks, Sonlight, for inspiring our girl to try new things every day. Abbi learned all about the people God has blessed Asia with and the work He is doing there. By the end of the year, she decided to be a Bible translator to a people group who hasn’t yet heard the Good News. How blessed they will be by a seed planted by Sonlight.” Inspired by the “Choose Your Adventure” part of Core F, Abbi (13) made many new dishes this year, including this delicious Chinese jiaoza.

Core F includes these great items!

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/FC5

Instructor’s Guide F

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

FCG (\$109.99 if ordered separately)

History & Geography F

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

100 Gateway Cities FH13
Arabs in the Golden Age FH14
Commodore Perry in the Land of the Shogun FH04

David Livingstone: Africa’s Trailblazer FH02
Mission to Cathay FR20
Timeline Figures – F FH20
Whatever Happened to Penny Candy? FH06

4-Day FH4 OR 5-Day FH5
William Carey: Obligated to Go FH16
World Book Deluxe (DVD) RR50
▼ 5-Day Program also includes
China Kit FH23

Bible F

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.

Case for Kids FB04 Sing the Word: All Nations Shall Worship (CD) FB02

FBP

Read-Alouds F

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

A Long Walk to Water FA04
All the Small Poems FA65
Call it Courage FR03
Daughter of the Mountains FA66
The Horse And His Boy FA56
I Rode A Horse Of Milk White Jade FA02

Journey To Jo’burg FA57
The Land I Lost FA64
Mary Slessor: Forward into Calabar FH18
The Master Puppeteer FA52
Seven Daughters and Seven Sons FA63
Shadow Spinner FA67

4-Day FA4 OR 5-Day FA5
Teresa Of Calcutta FH07
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon FA01
Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze FA62
▼ 5-Day Program also includes
Best-Loved Folktales of the World FA03

Readers F

Ali and The Golden Eagle FR18
Around the World in Eighty Days FR17
The Big Wave FR05
Born in the Year of Courage FR23
Breaking Stalin’s Nose FR30
The Cat Who Went to Heaven FR06
God’s Adventurer: Hudson Taylor FR07

Habibi FR26
Henry Reed, Inc. FR02
The Hobbit FA59
Homesick FR14
The House of Sixty Fathers FA53
Just So Stories FR09
King of the Wind FR15
The Kite Fighters FR04
Li Lun, Lad of Courage FR19
Listening for Lions FR27

FRP
Red Sand, Blue Sky FR21
Rickshaw Girl FR28
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes plus Fun with Easy Origami FR25
The Sherlock Files 1: The 100-Year-Old Secret FR29
Silkworms FR08
Star of Light FR13
Water Sky FR01

Language Arts F

Included in your Core F Instructor’s Guide.



You know you’re a homeschooler when

... a 5-year-old at the homeschool support group announces that his triglycerides are high, so he can’t have sugar anymore.

“I love how everything in the Instructor’s Guide is laid out day-by-day and week-by-week. You’re never guessing what you should do next, or if you’re on the right track.”

– Sarah A, July 2013

“I was looking at ‘27 Reasons NOT to buy Sonlight’ in the catalog. Ella peeked over and said in an incredulous voice, ‘There’s not one single reason in the world not to buy Sonlight!’ I guess she’s sold.”

– Mommy2Ella, April 2013



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Language Arts F

Included in your Core F Instructor's Guide

Required Resources (If you don't already own)

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<input type="checkbox"/> The Timeline Book p.96	RR120	\$25.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Markable Map and Markers p.96	MAP	\$27.98
<input type="checkbox"/> Sequential Spelling p.102	RL50-RL56	\$14.95

Optional Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> Wordly Wise 3000 Book 5 Set p.101	5L10	\$18.05
<input type="checkbox"/> Keys to Good Language 5 Set p.102	5L09	\$39.98
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Hemisphere Notebook Pages - Extra Set Consumable	FCG1	\$12.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Language Arts Activity Sheets Consumable	FLG1	\$12.99
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- Sonlight Forums

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Complete your
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Science F p. 110 **FSB5 OR FSG5 \$187.33**
Many Core F customers love Sonlight's Science F. For other easy-to-use, hands-on Sonlight science programs, see pp. 107-112.



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WANT
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Electives F pp. 126-132 **FRE \$67.47**
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend Electives F, which includes *Typing Instructor Platinum* (p. 132), *Classics for Kids* CD (p. 130) and *Critical Thinking Activities 4-6* (p. 132).

NEED EXTRA
RESOURCES?



✓ **Resources** pp. 133-136

Recommended Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> Writer's INC p.133	RL04	\$32.49
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Dictionary p.133	RL01	\$19.95
<input type="checkbox"/> Lyrical Life Science Vol. 3 The Human Body p.134	RS53	\$29.50



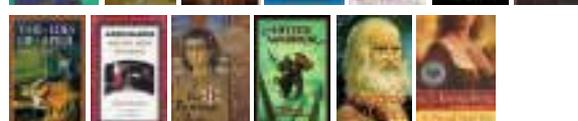
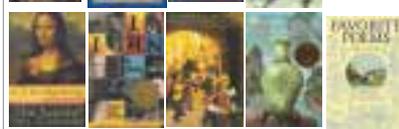
"After 10 years of homeschooling, I ordered Sonlight Core F. It was so much easier than my previous years of trying to piece things together on my own!" writes Charity M of Saskatchewan, Canada. "My oldest was at the high end of the age range, and my next daughter a little young ... and we totally enjoyed it! We didn't do every book, but we learned so much. To have everything laid out with the Instructor's Guide was a blessing and breath of fresh air! Curriculum is a tool to help us homeschool effectively and Sonlight works wonderfully!" Here, Olivia (14), Grace (10), Amelia (7) and Abbey (5) enjoy the biography of missionary Hudson Taylor.

"I'm so glad my son had the opportunity to explore Eastern cultures. His eyes were opened to the fact that most of the world lives very differently than we do here in America."
— *Destree S, June 2013*

"Eastern Hemisphere (Core F) has been one of our favorites so far (but then we think each new Core we complete is our new favorite)."
— *Catherine S, Aug. 2013*



IG p. 137 History & Geography Bible Read-Alouds Readers with Language Arts



Core G

Witness the rise and fall of ancient empires

- Discover how people lived around the world from Creation through the Reformation.
- Relax with complete lesson plans and materials for homeschool success.
- Meet Augustus Caesar, samurai warriors, Incan emperors, Joan of Arc, Martin Luther and more!
- Bring the ancient world to life with vivid biographies, historical fiction and award-winning literature.



“Sonlight does the heavy lifting for the homeschool family,” writes Jason N of Alto, MI. “They select quality books and rigorous studies for children so that the homeschool mom and dad can concentrate on the delivery of the lessons and plan family adventures that serve as a capstone to the curriculum-based learning! In 2010, we took our family on a cross-country tour of twelve national parks and monuments. Sonlight augments this real-world learning with wholesome, quality curriculum grounded in sound educational principles.” Here, Mom smiles with Owen, Grace Ann, and Ellen, who were 9, 7 and 4 at the time. They had just completed their Junior Ranger badges at Devil’s Tower National Monument. The N family is now studying Core G and Core B.

Helping young minds grow and make connections

I love watching children grow. What fun to see their delight in learning something new ... to be amazed at their increasing capacity to offer input and consider abstract ideas ... to smile, surprised, at their intriguing observations. I love watching them make connections in their learning.

Core G is all about fostering students’ ability to think critically and make connections. I created it to help students see the connected flow of human history, from creation through the 1600s.

This Core is best for 12- and 13-year-olds and advanced 11-year-olds.

Gain a valuable framework for world history

Do you find ancient history dull? One Sonlight mom wrote, “I couldn’t have thought of anything more dry and boring than studying the ancient cultures of Egypt, Greece and Rome. Those were topics to hurry past in order to get to the good stuff.” (Read on: Her assessment doesn’t end here ...)

But history is a *story* – the story of real people, real families, real adventures, real triumphs and defeats, and real cultures. And there’s no reason a good story – especially a story well told – should ever be boring!

I read hundreds of books and chose the best, most gripping ones for this Core. These stories bring long-ago times to life. They provide examples and perspective for us as we experience history being created today. This kind of study is – or certainly can be – very practical. Give your chil-

dren a big-picture understanding of the world that any well-educated person in today’s global society ought to have.

Find answers to real-life questions such as: How did ancient Egypt, Israel and Assyria interact? Where did the Greeks come from? Why did Greek civilization give way to the Romans? Why did the Roman Empire fall? How did Asian culture develop during that same time? How did Western history progress during the so-called Dark Ages? How did those centuries give rise to the Renaissance, and how did the Renaissance, in turn, pave the way for the Protestant Reformation?

What about the Sonlight mom who initially thought ancient history was boring and expressed her doubts? Halfway through Cores B and G with her daughters, she had fallen in love with the great stories and wrote, “Sonlight, you did the impossible. I can’t believe I’m saying this, but I’m starting to enjoy ancient history.” May you enjoy it as well!

The core of Core G

Just as history itself is interconnected, we’ve created a cohesive, interconnected curriculum for you. Your History, Read-Alouds and Readers all play off each other and deepen your learning experience in Core G.

I’ve carefully interwoven works by three authors to serve as the backbone of your history studies. Though Susan Wise Bauer starts off a little slow in the first volume of her *Story of the World* series, she soon finds her stride. I love the winsome narrative approach, and I have no doubt these de-

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 4-6 hrs | **Parent:** 2-3½ hrs



lightful books will help you and your students love history, too.

I couple the first half of the *Story of the World* series with the gorgeous *Kingfisher History Encyclopedia*. It's loaded with pictures, diagrams and snippets of information that add dimension to your reading.

I then add the *Usborne Encyclopedia of World History* to help you and your children compare how different authors understand and write about the various historical time periods.

I wove all these books together in Core G so you gain fresh insights and perspectives from each as you move chronologically through world history. Your Readers and Read-Alouds move chronologically with you and add even more life to your studies!

Goals for Core G

When your children grow up, will they need to know lists of memorized facts ... or will they need to consider new information, connect it to what they already know and then take the good and toss the bad?

Core G and its companion, Core H, help students develop those critical thinking skills.

They help students understand the world today by seeing how we got to where we are. They help them understand their own and other's cultures by seeing the connections between civilizations around the world and throughout time.

When students really understand how Egyptians viewed their "gods"; when they see how weak, wicked and fickle the Greek "gods" were, they'll appreciate all the more the awesome power and goodness of the true God we worship.

WITH CORE G YOU RECEIVE



Instructor's Guide

Study Core G with confidence: your Instructor's Guide (IG) has all the necessary prep work done for you. It turns great books and fascinating history into a cohesive curriculum. It tells you what to read and do each day, gives you extra notes to help you talk about any difficult subjects, suggests discussion questions to spur great conversations with your kids and helps you get the most from your books and timeline. Head to sonlight.com/3-week-samples to request the first three weeks of this guide for free.

History & Geography

Besides the primary texts I mentioned above, your History program also includes timeline figures that pull all your learning together and visually shows the progression of history. I've also included a brief but epic history of God's Kingdom and the Church. Watch God's stunning care for his people as He grows the Church from a small band of rag-tag followers to a huge family of believers spread throughout the globe!

Bible

Core G gives your students a guided tour of the entire Bible. You will read Scripture together each day and they'll memorize a key verse or passage each week. The fascinating *International Children's Bible Field Guide* surveys the Bible and includes maps, archaeological information and extensive study notes.

Read-Alouds

Treasure your last two years of Read-Alouds! Starting in Core 100, I no longer assign books for mom to read out loud (but you can certainly keep up the tradition if you want). Build memories and help keep lines of communication open with your children as you read books that will inspire you to discuss some deep issues of life. Among other things, you will:

- Live the excitement, adventure and intrigue of the Trojan War.

- Feel the Roman Empire's wrath as it destroys Jerusalem during a Jewish revolt in 70 AD.
- Follow an orphaned boy in Shakespeare's day whose angry master commands him to steal *Hamlet*. Will he obey?
- Discover why *The Westing Game* won the Newbery medal when no other mystery has proved worthy of that honor. (It's also my daughter Jonelle's favorite book ever!)

Readers

I have too many favorites here to name. From adventures in the Middle Ages to Martin Luther's compelling biography, to the life of a Samurai in 16th century Japan, these books enrich your children's studies and encourage them to keep on learning.

Language Arts

Help your children continue to grow as writers with the complete Language Arts program integrated in Core G. They practice good writing with dictation, tackle advanced writing assignments and explore literary analysis. With student activity sheets, teaching helps, parent instructions, answers, definitions and more, you are fully equipped to guide your children in grammar, writing mechanics, creative expression and editing. We also schedule optional vocabulary and grammar workbooks if you want additional focus in those areas.

Ready to learn

Please, relax and enjoy this special year of great books, discoveries and moments with your children. And get ready to learn a fair amount yourself!



Enjoy!

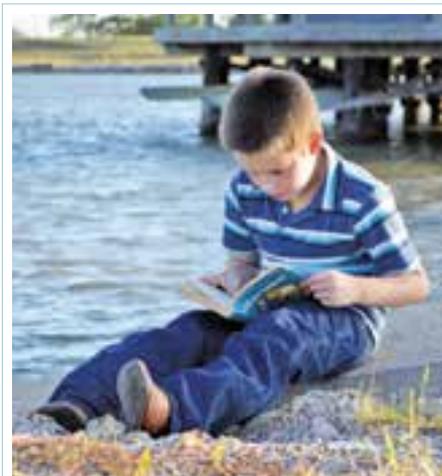
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"We're using Core G with my 13-year-old. When her box arrived, she couldn't wait to dive in and get started on *The Story of the World*. She said, 'I LOVE this book; it makes history so interesting!'"

— Aimee B, Aug. 2013



"I have tried many curricula and Sonlight is the only one that my children actually love to do," writes Kristin N of Jones Creek, TX. "I have three favorite things about Sonlight: the top-quality education, the love for learning and reading my children are gaining, and the beautiful memories we are making. I pieced together curriculum for years in order to achieve the same effect that I get with Sonlight. But by buying Sonlight I save myself time, money, and headaches, and my children still get the highest quality education." Here Dustin (9) re-reads a Core G favorite for the third time. He and Shyenne (11) are sharing the Core in their first year back with Sonlight.



“Our return to Sonlight has been extremely rewarding,” writes Myriam A of Waxhaw, NC. “We started with Sonlight four years ago and loved it. Unfortunately, we wandered off to other less-expensive curricula that we ultimately did not enjoy or cherish. While starting my 7-year-old son on the old Core B+C, which was originally my daughter’s, it finally dawned on me that many books from our Sonlight year were still on my bookshelves, while others were long gone! [Now back with Sonlight,] Leah has taken off with the marvelous literature in Core G, while effortlessly working on *Teaching Textbooks 6*. Sonlight is making the crossroad of teacher-led and independent studies quite seamless for us.” Myriam says this picture shows 11-year-old Leah’s radiant smile at their return to Sonlight.



“Thank you, Sonlight, for products that have given my son confidence in his academic abilities,” writes Tammy C of Ringgold, GA. “When Connor was in public school, he did not like to read and any kind of creative writing caused fits of tears. In our fourth year of Sonlight, I can now say my son has become an avid reader! He begs to begin every day with our next history lesson, and he ends every day with his nose stuck in another Sonlight book.” Tammy was recently floored and very grateful to hear Connor (13, Core G) say that creative writing is his favorite subject because he is good at it.

Core G includes these great items!

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/GC5

Instructor’s Guide G

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

GCG (\$109.99 if ordered separately)

History & Geography G

4-Day GH4 OR 5-Day GH5

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

The Kingdom Strikes Back GH01
The Kingfisher History Encyclopedia GH08

Story of the World: Ancient Times (Vol 1) GH05
Story of the World: Middle Ages (Vol 2) GH06
Timeline Figures - G Consumable GH04

▼ 5-Day Program also includes

Usborne Encyclopedia 12,000 Years of World History GH07

Bible G

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor’s Guide.

GBP

International Children’s Bible Field Guide GB01

Sing the Word: Credo - I Believe (CD) GB02

Read-Alouds G

4-Day GA4 OR 5-Day GA5

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

Beyond the Desert Gate GA11
Favorite Poems Old and New GA06
Flame Over Tara GA13
God King: King Hezekiah GA12
The Golden Goblet GA01

The Great and Terrible Quest GR06
The Hidden Treasure of Glaston GA15
I, Juan de Pareja GA07
Master Cornhill GA05
The Second Mrs. Giaconda GA09

The Shakespeare Stealer GA14
A Single Shard GA10

▼ 5-Day Program also includes

King Arthur: Tales From the Round Table GA16
The Trojan War GA04
The Westing Game GA02

Readers G

Adam of the Road GR03
Archimedes and the Door of Science GR13
The Beduin’s Gazelle GR08
Black Horses for the King GR18
The Bronze Bow GR02
Catherine Called Birdy GR19
Greek Myths GR24

Hittite Warrior GR12
The Ides of April GR14
Leonardo da Vinci GR11
Mara, Daughter of the Nile GR07
Mary, Bloody Mary GR15
The Monk Who Shook the World GR23

The Mystery of the Roman Ransom GR10
The Phantom Tollbooth GR05
A Proud Taste for Scarlet and Miniver GR17
The Samurai’s Tale GR01
Shadow of a Bull GR04
Son of Charlemagne GR21
Theras and His Town GR20

Language Arts G

Included in your Core G Instructor’s Guide.

“The kids are more excited than I’ve seen them about any other curriculum, and I never have to remind them to start the next week’s assignments!”

— Ty M, Aug. 2013

“My first years of homeschooling were just plain boring. Then a friend gave me her extra copy of the Sonlight catalog and everything changed!”

— Jill B, Aug. 2013



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Language Arts G

Included in your Core G Instructor's Guide

Required Resources (If you don't already own)

- 3" Binder & Tabs** p. 135 B050 \$20.99
- The Timeline Book** p. 96 RR120 \$25.99
- Markable Map and Markers** p. 96 MAP \$27.98

Optional Resources

- Wordly Wise 3000 Book 6 Set** p. 101 6L10 \$18.05
- Keys to Good Language 6 Set** p. 102 6L09 \$39.98
- Extra Language Arts Activity Sheets** Consumable GLG1 \$12.99
- Grammar 6** p. 100 6L15 \$29.98

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- Science G** p. 111 GS5 \$218.92
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- Teaching Textbooks Math 6 + MathTacular4®** p. 121 T6M \$199.89
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WANT ELECTIVES?



- ✓ **Electives** pp. 126-132
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend:
- Electives G** GRE \$101.93
Includes *ARTistic Pursuits Grades 4-6, Book 1* (p. 128), *Art Supplies Kit for Grade 4-6* (p. 128) and *Classical Music Start Up, Vol 1* (p. 130).
- Foreign Language** See p. 127 for recommendations

NEED EXTRA RESOURCES?



- ✓ **Resources** pp. 133-136
- Recommended Resources**
- Writer's INC** p. 133 RL04 \$32.49
- Student Dictionary** p. 133 RL01 \$19.95

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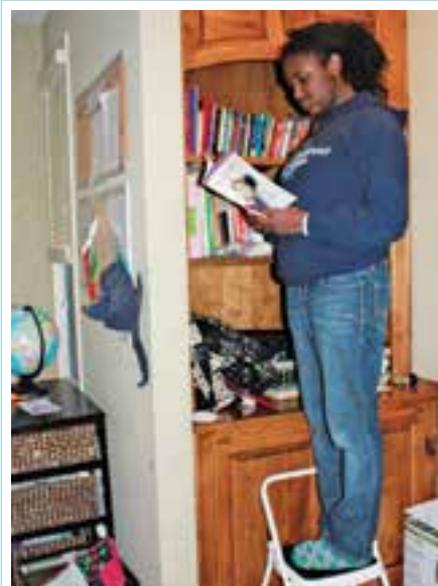
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"Katie got so engrossed in one of her books that she balanced on top of that step-stool for over an hour reading!" writes Maureen W of Olathe, KS. "Each year, Katy likes to take her last year's curriculum down, put it on another shelf and then load her school shelf with the new curriculum. This year she was doing that and stopped to look at one of her new books. I just love how Sonlight has fostered her love of reading and really made it a passion for her." In her fourth year of Sonlight, 13-year-old Katy studies Core G, as younger siblings use Core D+E and Core A.

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"Laura really blossomed as a writer using the Core G Language Arts program this year."
— *Cindy W, June 2013*



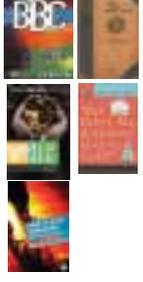
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History & Geography




Bible

Read-Alouds




Readers with Language Arts




Core H

Explore the ever-changing world of the past 500 years

- Finish the breathtaking journey through World History you started in Core G.
- Watch Colonialism and Asian dynasties rise and fall. Wrestle with the reality of two world wars.
- Learn from the past and see how each generation's choices impact the world.
- Fuel a love for learning with gripping historical fiction, fascinating biographies and great literature.



“Because of Sonlight, all of my children love to read,” writes Ruth C of Manistique, MI. “This year I looked at using a different curriculum. I showed Grace a literature book like she would be using, and her disappointment was evident. She was very disturbed by the fact that she would only be able to read parts of books and not whole books and stories. Consequently, I am very thankful God once again has allowed us to enjoy Sonlight together as a family.” Here, Grace (13) and Mary (11) insist that free time at the beach is better with a Sonlight book. They’re studying Core H in their seventh year of Sonlight.

Inspired to overcome

Core H inspires students to overcome obstacles. Meet historical figures who faced real challenges, persevered and won in the end. Core H highlights ordinary heroes whose courage and dedication paid off.

This Core is suited for 13- and 14-year-olds and advanced 12-year-olds.

A backstage pass to history

Core H completes the study you began in Core G and hands you a backstage pass to the last 500 years of world history. Meet the people whose ideas and actions forged the course of history, from reformers to rocket scientists. Gain a working knowledge of what happened from the 17th century to about 1990.

How did the Renaissance influence the American and French Revolutions? How did the Industrial Revolution drastically change society? How did the Western and Eastern hemispheres become so interconnected? How did Colonial powers conquer so much of the world and carve out new nations? How did those nations eventually throw off Colonial rule? What tensions led to the explosion of two world wars? What did normal life look like around the world during these changes?

An overview of Core H

Serving as the foundation for your Core H adventure, the final two volumes of *The Story of the World* take you on a gripping story-based trek through history.

The critically acclaimed *Kingfisher History Encyclopedia*, organized into 10 historical eras, is your one-stop research source and perfect companion to your study of World History.

A third text, *The Usborne Encyclopedia of World History*, expands your knowledge and provides a richer experience, with vivid photographs, images, diagrams and intriguing supplemental information.

Readers and Read-Alouds augment your history studies, showing what life was really like for people from Russia to Peru, Puritan America to Imperial Japan.

My dream for Core H

I created this Core to give your students a solid understanding of the flow of history. That’s a given with any Sonlight Core.

Another given with Sonlight? Cores that help your children become the type of people you want them to be. In Core H, this includes discussing some uncomfortable realities of life that we’ve largely avoided in earlier Cores (realities like the Holocaust, poverty and war). Why do we do this? For a few reasons.

Your children will learn sooner or later that the world is not fair. Not everyone lives or has lived in as much comfort as we do. Our own lives are sometimes very hard. If your children are warned ahead of time and given strong heroes to emulate, they are armed and ready to persevere. If they think the world is perfect, they won’t know what to do with their faith when adverse circumstances hit. With Core H, you gently prepare them and talk about these realities.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 4-6 hrs | Parent: 2-3½ hrs



Core H helps you teach that even though life can be hard, we should never despair. When Core H touches on darker aspects of human history, it does so in a way that highlights people who triumph over difficulties. Dive into these books looking for honest character, perseverance and the hope of overcoming in the end.

When Sonlight kids face challenges in their own lives – whether resolving conflict with siblings, working extra hard to understand math, or grieving the death of a grandparent – may

they say “I can do this. I can stick with my family, persevere and overcome difficulties. I know I can because I’ve seen it again and again in books. I’ve seen ordinary people like me do great things. I won’t give up!”

In case you’re concerned here, I should also say that Core H also includes some really fun books too – thrilling adventures, laugh-out-loud scenes and heartwarming stories. We mix it up to give you a thoroughly enjoyable experience.

WITH CORE H YOU RECEIVE

Instructor’s Guide

Teach with greater confidence and effectiveness. You’ll find everything you need – schedule, notes, discussion questions, teaching tips, laminated color maps and more – consolidated in one place for each week. Just open and teach!

With all your lesson plans and organization done for you, you can spend your time enjoying your children and learning with them. Let the discussion questions and great books lead to meaningful conversations about family, politics, history, faith and character. Open your guide each day to see what to read and discuss.

Request the first three weeks of this guide for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

History & Geography

Along with a host of other rich topics, your students will investigate influences that fueled revolutions, inspired heroes, created new technology and more. Timeline figures and map activities continue to help students chart the flow of history and visualize where it all happened.

Bible

Equip your young teens to live out their faith. They’ll learn how to study the Bible, what other religions believe and how Christianity differs. They’ll prepare for the faith challenges the high school years often bring.

The broad selection of Bible readings for Core H come from the wisdom literature and minor prophets of the Old Testament, all four Gospels, and many New Testament epistles. Weekly Scripture memorization helps God’s Word sink deep into students’ hearts.

Read-Alouds

Enjoy this final set of Read-Alouds with your children. Add depth to history and:

- Save countless lives from smallpox with a doctor who creates the world’s first vaccine.

- Help a young girl save her friend from the Nazis.
- Survive a Siberian labor camp with Esther, her mother and her grandmother.
- Encounter Koly, an Indian girl who is married at 13, widowed and left as an outcast. She overcomes in this compelling picture of a different world.

Readers

Give your children heroes who inspire them to become people of courage, strength and honor. Meet:

- Norwegian children who courageously save \$9 million worth of gold bricks (today worth over \$350 million).
- Katya, who finds hope in the midst of the devastating Russian Revolution.

Language Arts

Our Language Arts program gives you a balance of creative writing, grammar and writing mechanics. We provide specific parent instructions (in the IG), so you can instruct with ease. With writing exercises fully integrated into History and Literature, your students will write creatively, compose essays, research and analyze literature. They’ll find inspiration for great writing!

Excellence and character

Motivate your children to new heights of character, learning and academic excellence. And watch them grow in their love of learning.



Enjoy!

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You know you’re a homeschooler when
... you watch *The Price is Right* for a math lesson.



“Sonlight united our family’s hearts through the love for learning and experiencing God’s heart for the nations,” writes Inesa V of South Africa. “In the past three years the Lord took us on the journey of engaging our hearts with His heart for the people groups. Sonlight has played a pivotal part in this journey through the outstanding material and books. It is impossible *not* to experience God’s heart for the different people groups as they come alive through the stories and pictures of the beautiful Sonlight books!” When the V family went to southeastern Africa on a mission trip, they walked in the footsteps of David Livingstone and recognized many places and people groups from Cores F and H. In their third year of Sonlight, Tanya (13) is using Core H as Stefan (11) studies Core G.



“We can’t even imagine homeschooling without Sonlight,” writes Melissa H of Auburn, NY. “We spent three months in our camper last winter when we stayed close to family in Florida. Our Sonlight IGs made gathering up three months of school a breeze. We packed up all our school books and did school ‘camper style.” Here, Haley (13) does her Bible study in the upper bunk while Macy (9) studies Rosetta Stone. In their fourth year of Sonlight, the girls are now using Core D and Core H.



Core H includes these great items!

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/HCS

Instructor's Guide H HCG (\$109.99 if ordered separately)
Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

History & Geography H 4-Day & 5-Day HHP
 4- and 5-Day Program includes
 The Story of the World: Modern Age (Vol. 4) HH02
 The Story of the World: Early Modern Times (Vol. 3) HB01
 Timeline Figures - H Consumable HH03

Bible H HBP
 Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your IG.
 The BBC Manual: Turning Your Bedroom into a Bible College Consumable HB05
 "But Don't All Religions Lead to God?" HB01
 Daring to Live on the Edge: The Adventure of Faith and Finances HB04
 How to Stay Christian in High School HB03
 Live Like a Jesus Freak: Spend Today as if it Were Your Last Consumable HB02

Language Arts H (See p. 100)

Included in your Core H Instructor's Guide.

Read-Alouds H

4- and 5-Day Program includes

- The Arrow Over the Door HA16
- Banner in the Sky HA10
- Classic Poetry HA15
- The Endless Steppe HA11
- Escape Across the Wide Sea HA09
- God's Smuggler HA12
- A Heart Strangely Warned HA18

- Homeless Bird HR08
- Mary Jones & Her Bible HA08
- A Murder for Her Majesty HA17
- Number the Stars HA13
- Out of Many Waters HA06
- The Ravenmaster's Secret: Escape from the Tower of London HA01

4-Day HH4 OR 5-Day HH5
 The Sherwood Ring HA05
 The Singing Tree HA02

5-Day Program also includes
 The Best Christmas Pageant Ever HA07
 Dr. Jenner and the Speckled Monster HA04
 Lord Peter HA19
 Operation Yes HA20

Readers H

- Angel on the Square HR07
- Anna and the King HR20
- Betsy and the Emperor HR04
- The Breadwinner HR01
- The Broken Blade HR05
- Chu Ju's House HR21
- Escape from Warsaw HR15

- The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn HR06
- The Good Master HR03
- I Am David HR19
- In Search of Honor HR16
- The Iron Peacock HR09
- It's a Jungle Out There! HR17
- The King's Fifth HR10

HRP
 Madeleine Takes Command HR11
 Nory Ryan's Song HR12
 Only the Names Remain: The Cherokees and the Trail of Tears HR13
 Snow Treasure HR14
 Stowaway HR18
 Year of Impossible Goodbyes HR02

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Core H: World History Year 2 of 2
Includes Instructor's Guide H, History H, Bible H, Read-Alouds H, Readers H, and Language Arts H.

	4-Day	5-Day	
<input type="checkbox"/> HC4	Retail \$530.27! \$469 You save \$61.27!	<input type="checkbox"/> HC5	Retail \$574.24! \$499 You save \$75.24!
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<input type="checkbox"/> The Kingfisher History Encyclopedia	GH08	\$32.99	
<input type="checkbox"/> Usborne Encyclopedia 12,000 Years of World History 5-Day only, p. 96	GH07	\$19.99	
Optional Resource			
<input type="checkbox"/> Worldly Wise 3000, Book 7 Set p. 101	7L30	\$18.05	
<input type="checkbox"/> Extra Language Arts Activity Sheets	HLG1	\$12.99	

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Science pp. 107-112
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- Science H p. 111 HSOA \$148.98
- Physical Science p. 111 150-05 \$105.98

Math pp. 113-125
Choose one of several outstanding math curricula, such as:

- Teaching Textbooks Math 7 p. 122 7M20 \$149.90
- Teaching Textbooks Pre-Algebra p. 122 7M10 \$184.90

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Electives pp. 126-132
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- Electives H HRE \$26.98
Includes *Classical Music Start Up, Vol 2* (p. 130) and *Usborne Introduction to Art* (p. 129).
- Foreign Language See p. 127 for recommendations

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Recommended Resources

- Writer's INC p. 133 RLO4 \$32.49
- Collegiate Thesaurus p. 133 RLO3 \$21.95
- Math on Call p. 133 RR801 \$29.49

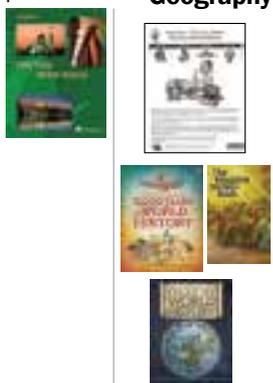
"My husband has become an avid reader because of Sonlight and can't wait to read to the kids each night!"
— Robyn T., Aug. 2013



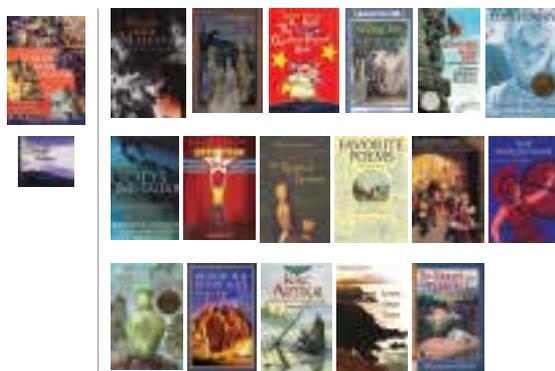
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History & Geography



Bible Read-Alouds



Readers with Language Arts



Core W

Journey through the highlights of world history

- Sweep through ancient and modern history with this one-year program.
- Homeschool with confidence: You get daily lesson plans and complete materials for the entire year.
- Meet a samurai warrior, Augustus Caesar, Joan of Arc, Michelangelo, Martin Luther, Napoleon and more.
- Learn from the past and see how each generation's choices impact the world.

Perfect for families new to Sonlight

Is this your first year of Sonlight? Do you want to help your middle schoolers discover joy in learning? The One-Year World History program could be the perfect choice for you.

Most Sonlight students use our full two-year World History program (Cores G and H) at this point. Those full Cores give you a wonderful, deep study of world history. But if you are new to Sonlight and only have one year to spend on world history right now, we highly recommend Core W.

Children ages 12-14 appreciate Core W most.

The goals of One Year World History

Many students who start Sonlight at this level already dread school. They find learning boring and tedious. They might think they're just bad students.

Fortunately, Core W is a wonderful introduction to the delight of learning. The approachable, winsome, gripping books gently pull kids in. Before you know it, your reluctant learners will be sneaking books off to finish ahead of schedule! After Core W, your students will be well-prepared for the fascinating challenges of Sonlight's upper-level Cores ... or whatever schooling options you may choose.

This program helps students see the connected flow of human history, from creation through the present. Since history is the story of real cultures, real people, real families, real adventures, and real triumphs and defeats, there is no reason it should be boring!

I read hundreds of books and chose the very best for this Core. These stories bring long-ago times to life. They provide examples and perspective for us as we experience history being created today. They give your children a big-picture understanding of the world that any well-educated person in today's global society ought to have.

This study answers real-life questions such as: Where did the Greeks originate? How did Western history progress during the so-called Dark Ages? How did the Renaissance pave the way for the Protestant Reformation? How was Asia growing and changing during this time? Why did Colonial powers conquer so much of the world? What tensions led to the explosion of two world wars?

Core W also helps students develop critical thinking skills and understand the world today by seeing how we got where we are. The study helps them understand their own and others' cultures by seeing connections between civilizations around the world and throughout time.

What exactly is Core W?

Core W is very similar to Cores G and H, except that it is condensed into one year and relies on Hillyer's *A Child's History of the World* instead of Bauer's *Story of the World*.

We call it Core W to indicate that it is not part of the normal sequence of Sonlight Cores. Most Sonlighters progress from Cores A through H and then on to Core 100.

In fact, if you've done the earlier Intro to World History program (Cores B and C or B+C), you'll notice you've already used *A Child's History of the World*.



"There isn't another curriculum on the market that compares to Sonlight," writes Carol S of Acworth, GA. "After years of using so many different types of curricula and being frustrated and confused, a friend finally turned us on to Sonlight. What a difference it has made for us! Our children, who didn't like to read, suddenly couldn't wait to read. Sonlight brings together just the right amount of history, literature and writing exercises and bundles it with an incredible schedule packed with everything you need to teach your children. I've always worried about my ability to teach my children without a teaching degree. Thank you, Sonlight, for lightening that burden. Everything I need is right at my fingertips." In their third year of Sonlight, Jennifer (17) reads to Jacob (13) and Jillian (12) from Core W.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 4-6 hrs | **Parent:** 2-3½ hrs



So why do we use the same primary history text here? Cores G and H each use two of the *Story of the World* volumes. But if we put all four volumes in one program, they would take up all our time for history reading for Core W.

I always try to bring in a variety of voices for your history studies, so I opted for the shorter and easier-to-read *A Child's History of the World* here. Then I included other intriguing and challenging works, such as *The Kingfisher Atlas of World History*,

The Kingdom Strikes Back and *The Usborne Encyclopedia 12,000 Years of World History* to add different perspectives and points of interest.

Some parents worry that *A Child's History of the World* is too simple. "If it's used in an elementary school context, it can't possibly be valuable for more advanced students," they say.

I disagree. No college-educated adult needs to apologize for reading a local newspaper (typically written at a fifth grade reading level). I think content matters far more than difficulty.

But I'd also point out that in Cores B and C, *A Child's History of the World* is too advanced for students to read on their own, so a parent reads it aloud. In Core W, students read it to themselves in one year. Especially for students who are turned-off to standard education, Hillyer's approachable, winsome style pulls them into history and gets them hooked on learning.

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History & Geography

In addition to the primary texts I mentioned above, your History program includes timeline figures that pull your learning together and visually show the progression of history. You'll also find a brief but epic history of God's Kingdom and the Church.

Just as history itself is interconnected, I've created a cohesive, interconnected curriculum for you. Your History, Bible, Read-Alouds and Readers all play off each other and deepen your learning in Core W.

Bible

Core W gives your students a guided tour of the entire Bible. You'll read Scripture together each day and they'll memorize a key verse or passage each week. The fascinating *International Children's Bible Field Guide* surveys the Bible and includes maps, archaeological information and extensive study notes.

Read-Alouds

Treasure this special time with your teen. As you read aloud together, and/or discuss your teen's reading, you'll build memories and open lines of communication. These works let you laugh, learn and discuss important life issues. You get to:

- Live the excitement, adventure and intrigue of the Trojan War.
- Meet an orphan who goes to live with her distant uncle, only to solve a long family mystery.
- Help a young girl save her friend from the Nazis.
- Follow God's thrilling call for Brother Andrew, who smuggles Bibles behind the Iron Curtain.

Readers

Dive deeper into history with Readers your teens are sure to love. These books give your children heroes who inspire them to become people of courage, strength and honor. You'll encounter:

- A Hittite warrior in the time of Deborah, 200 years before King David.
- A quick-witted orphan on the quest of a lifetime in the late Middle Ages.
- A servant in Shakespeare's day whose master commands him to steal *Hamlet*.
- Norwegian children who courageously save \$9 million worth of gold bricks in WWII (today worth over \$350 million).

Language Arts

Help your children continue to grow as writers with the complete Language Arts program integrated with Core W. The program offers a balance of creative writing, grammar and writing mechanics. Students practice good writing with dictation, tackle advanced writing assignments and explore literary analysis. With student activity sheets, teaching helps, parent instructions, answers, definitions and more, you're fully equipped to guide your children. We also schedule optional vocabulary and grammar workbooks if you want additional focus in those areas.

Excellence and character

Watch your children fall in love with learning with Core W. Simply follow the Instructor's Guide for a cohesive study full of outstanding books!



Enjoy!

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LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"To be honest, the literature approach made me nervous. I'm pleased to say that I worried for nothing. Seeing what my children have learned coming out in everyday activities and conversations is confirmation enough. Sonlight is amazing!"
— Melanie D., Aug. 2013

"Sonlight has done all the work for me and I do the fun part: reading and learning together and loving it."
— Susan R., Aug. 2013



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Core W includes these great items!

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/WCS

Instructor's Guide W WCG (\$109.99 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

History & Geography W 4-Day WH4 OR 5-Day WH5

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

The Kingdom Strikes Back	GH01	Usborne Encyclopedia 12,000 years of World History	GH07
Timeline Figures - W Consumable	WH02	▼ 5-Day Program also includes Kingfisher Atlas of World History	WH03

Bible W WBP

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your IG.

International Children's Bible Field Guide	GB01	Sing the Word: Credo - I Believe (CD)	GB02
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Language Arts W (See p.100)

Included in your Core W Instructor's Guide.

Read-Alouds W

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

A Murder for Her Majesty	HA17
Banner in the Sky	HA10
Beyond the Desert Gate	GA11
Favorite Poems Old and New	GA06
Flame Over Tara	GA13

God's Smuggler	HA12
The Golden Goblet	GA01
The Great and Terrible Quest	GR06
Master Cornhill	GA05
Number the Stars	HA13
The Sherwood Ring	HA05
The Singing Tree	HA02

4-Day WA4 OR 5-Day WA5

A Single Shard	GA10
▼ 5-Day Program also includes	
The Best Christmas Pageant Ever	HA07
King Arthur: Tales from the Round Table	GA16
Operation Yes	HA20
Trojan War	GA04

Readers W

Adam of the Road	GR03
Angel on the Square	HR07
Archimedes and the Door of Science	GR13
The Beduin's Gazelle	GR08
The Breadwinner	HR01
The Bronze Bow	GR02
Chu Ju's House	HR21

The Good Master	HR03
Greek Myths	GR24
Hittite Warrior	GR12
I Am David	HR19
In Search of Honor	HR16
Mara, Daughter of The Nile	GR07
Mystery of the Roman Ransom	GR10

WRP

Nory Ryan's Song	HR12
The Samurai's Tale	GR01
Shakespeare Stealer	GA14
Snow Treasure	HR14
Son of Charlemagne	GR21
Year of Impossible Goodbyes	HR02

STEP 1 Choose your Core Program



Core W: One Year World History

Includes Instructor's Guide W, History W, Bible W, Read-Alouds W, Readers W, and Language Arts W.

4-Day

WC4 **\$429**
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WC5 **\$479**
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<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Science p. 111	150-05	\$105.98



Math pp. 113-125

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"We love Sonlight because it encourages a broad worldview while strengthening family bonds," writes Nina B of Akron, OH. "Sonlight is a well-rounded curriculum. It has broadened our children's minds - along with ours! A broad mind makes you challenge concepts and investigate things that you would never investigate otherwise. A broad mind acknowledges other points of view, but is wise enough to make its own decisions. I am glad I chose Sonlight." Jabari (12, Core G), Israel (9, Core B) and Kenya (7, Core B) have used Sonlight their whole lives.



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Core 100

Uncover the rich treasures of American history

- Live the thrilling story of America, from before Columbus to modern times.
- Examine events, people and debates that have molded the United States.
- Guide your children with confidence; this Core provides daily plans and complete materials for the entire year.
- Cheer on patriots who stood for freedom and justice ... and evaluate America's missteps with open eyes.
- Watch your children read, write, discuss and grow as students.



“Last year we took our leap of faith and purchased Core F and Core A. We had THE BEST YEAR EVER!” writes Heidi B of Kent, WA. “[When I first started homeschooling,] I used Sonlight for three years and loved it. But my newness as a homeschooler and that ‘grass is always greener’ thought led us to another curriculum. We used it for five years and found ourselves loathing school. Feeling overwhelmed, I asked God to show me a path that would fit our family. Soon after, a Sonlight catalog showed up at our house and in conversations with other moms. Sonlight was a clear answer to prayer. Thank you for giving us back a love for learning.” This year, Dakota (14, Core 100), Aspen (12, Core G), Georgia (8, Core B) and Havana (6, Core B) can’t wait for school each day.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 5-7 hrs | **Parent:** 2-3½ hrs

Independence in learning

Can you believe how much your children have grown since kindergarten? Remember when they would crawl into your lap for you to read to them? And now look at them!

One of the unique privileges of homeschooling is being there for each step of your children’s development. You help them gain the wide range of skills they’ll need in life, like self-motivation and the ability to follow a schedule and complete assignments without constant supervision.

Core 100 capitalizes on those skills to transition kids to more independent learning. You may remain as involved as you like, but if your students are ready, they can follow the Instructor’s Guide and direct their own daily studies. This gives you more time to focus on younger children or to read the great literature in Core 100!

This Core is best suited for children ages 13 to 16 and advanced 12-year-olds.

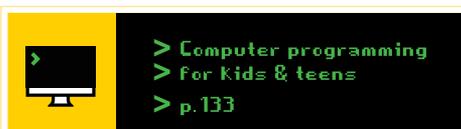
Go deeper into your roots

You’ve studied American History before; now it’s time to go deeper. Get a backstage pass to see the players of our history as real people.

Move chronologically to discover fascinating empires before Columbus. See why Benedict Arnold became a traitor. Meet the founding fathers who dared to create a Constitution that has become the model for countries around the world. Walk with courageous Sacajawea as she navigates the adventure of a lifetime. Survive WWII with a Japanese-American family in a California internment camp. See the daily struggles of normal African Americans who courageously changed history through the Montgomery Bus Boycott.

Core 100 takes you deeper into the complex fabric of American society. Meet Americans who lived such different lives: former slaves who established a new town in Canada, teenagers who fought in the Civil War, miners who searched for gold in the Idaho Territory, Chinese immigrants who tunneled through mountains, Irish immigrants who survived the Great Depression and more.

Core 100 goes far beyond historical highlights and uncovers the fascinating ups and downs of our nation’s story.



“Sonlight has helped our family bond together and grow in our love for learning.”

— Gayle C. Aug. 2013



WITH HISTORY 100 YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Your History 100 Instructor's Guide (IG) weaves all your materials into one exciting and cohesive program. Starting in this upper-level program, each course includes both a Parent Guide and a separate Student Guide. This means you'll get a History and Bible Parent Guide, as well as a History and Bible Student Guide.

Your Parent Guide mirrors the Student Guide, but also includes answers, provides extra notes and allows you to check their progress and discuss their reading. This format allows you to be as engaged or as hands-off as you and your students like.

Request the first three weeks of these guides for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

History

I built History 100 on the foundation of Joy Hakim's award-winning *A History of US* series. Her volumes are some of the most fascinating histories I've ever read. Filled with photos, illustrations and political cartoons from across the decades, Hakim draws you in to the story of our nation.

Some homeschoolers use these books with younger students. The language is certainly easy enough to understand. But we use them at the junior and senior high levels because of the author's attention to details (like the devastation of the Civil War, Prohibition and the civil unrest of the 1960s) that are simply not as appropriate for elementary students to consider. We also move more quickly through each volume than younger students typically could.

We balance Hakim's more liberal perspective with extensive notes in the Instructor's Guide. These notes offer counter-arguments to some of Hakim's views. With *A History of US* and the IG combined, you have an extraordinary tool to help your children think critically about and truly understand American history.

In addition to *A History of US*, many other History 100 books bring life to American history. Some highlights include:

- True tales of American patriots who established a government of free people apart from a king.
- Real-life glimpses into the wars that shaped American history.
- The gripping true story of a country preacher who took the gospel to New York City's fiercest gang leaders in the 1960s.
- And more.

Bible

Teach your children to live out their faith. The Bible 100 course includes Scripture reading and practical lessons in how to study, interpret and apply the Scriptures in everyday life. Help your students build their theological framework, explore the evidence for our faith and develop discipline in prayer. I put this program together to help you raise children who love God and know what and why they believe.

LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



Core 100 provides options

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To customize, select any *History 100-300*, *Government 400 AND Economics*, or *History 500* course. Combine with any *Literature 100-400* course to build the Core that meets your student's interests and academic goals.

All Core benefits apply to the Core that you create (see pp. 24-25).



Your History and Bible Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/120-MD

American History

120-MD

Instructor's Guide 120

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.
History 120 Parent Guide 120-PG History 120 Student Guide 120-SG

120-IG (\$78.98 if ordered separately)

History 120

Before Columbus	120-03	The Great Little Madison	120-07	Shh! We're Writing the Constitution	120-08
The Boys' War	120-04	A History of US	120-34	Slopes of War	120-62
Cameron Townsend	120-12	The Landing of the Pilgrims	120-44	Traitor: The Case of Benedict Arnold	120-71
The Cross & the Switchblade	120-16	Moonshiner's Son	120-47	World War II	120-09
Dragon's Gate	120-19	The Panama Canal	120-50	The Yanks Are Coming	120-11
Farewell to Manzanar	120-25	Sacajawea	120-05		
Freedom Walkers	120-06				

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Bible 110

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor's Guide.

Bible Study Sampler Consumable	110-10	God's Will, God's Best for Your Life	110-11	The Bible Jesus Read Why Pray	110-14 110-12
Evidence for Jesus	110-13				

110-00

"With Sonlight, history comes alive!" writes Faith R of Little Rock, AR. "It is not just memorizing and spitting out facts and dates. When our children were enrolled in a private school before we brought them home, they were doing lots of worksheets and 'busy work.' History was chapter after chapter of facts and dates to recite. With Sonlight, history comes alive with stories about real places and people and their adventures. Thank you." In their fourth year of Sonlight, Andrew (15, Core 100), Elizabeth (13, Core 100) and Paul (9, Core D) use their Sonlight Science to research how to make a suitable habitat for the box turtles they found in their yard.



WITH LITERATURE 100 YOU RECEIVE



“When I wake up in the morning, I know exactly what each student needs to do that day,” writes Laronda S of Denver, PA. “Thank you, Sonlight, for allowing me a good night’s sleep! The well-organized Instructor’s Guide is one of the big factors that convinced us and keeps us with Sonlight all these years. (The other factor is all those great books. Was there any doubt?) Doing multi-level teaching in many different subjects would take much time to develop a plan, but Sonlight has done all the work.” In the winter months, Dad leads the daily Bible class at breakfast for Chad (15, Core 100), Jodi (13, Core H), Danae (10, Core C), Amber (8, Core C) and Gwen (5, Pre-Kindergarten Full-Grade Package). The S family has used Sonlight for the past nine of their eleven years homeschooling.



“After homeschooling with Sonlight for eight years, my girls are officially best friends,” writes Sue E of La Crosse, WI. “Believe it or not, this photo is not staged. The closeness you see between them is real. I often find them reading together, sharing stories, and choosing to spend time with each other. They like to say, ‘sisters by chance; friends by choice.’ I know that the closeness they share would never have happened without homeschooling, and I attribute our homeschooling success 100% to Sonlight. The rich literature, minimal planning, and flexibility in our days draw our whole family closer together – thank you, Sonlight!” Afton (15) and Anja (13) are sharing Core 100 in their family’s eighth year of Sonlight.

Instructor’s Guide

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Free sample? See sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

American Historical Literature

View history from real-life perspectives through American Literature 100 – a stunning selection of books that adds color and depth to learning. From thrilling classics like *The Call of the Wild*, *To Kill a Mockingbird* and *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* to

gripping biographies and a favorite book from my childhood (*They Loved to Laugh*), you’ll find many treasures that grow your children’s writing abilities, vocabulary, cultural literacy and love of learning.

Life Skills

The counter-cultural view presented in *Dating With Integrity* challenges your children to stop and think about how they view dating. It also provides a great opportunity for you to discuss positive, healthy interaction with members of the opposite sex.

Language Arts

The Language Arts course corresponds closely with the literature your students study. This complete writing program develops the critical thinking, literary analysis and creative writing skills they need to prepare for college and engage our culture.

Your Literature and Language Arts Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/130-MD

American Historical Literature

130-MD

Instructor’s Guide 130

130-IG (\$58.98 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

Literature 130 Parent Guide	130-PG	Literature 130 Student Guide	130-SG
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American Historical Literature 130

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The Adventures of Tom Sawyer	130-10	Indian Captive: The Story of Mary Jemison	130-46	Rules of the Road	130-11
Amos Fortune, Free Man	130-16	Keeping Score	130-09	Stink Alley	130-79
Bonanza Girl	130-03	A Long Way from Chicago	130-17	They Loved to Laugh	130-06
Bound for Oregon	130-20	Maniac Magee	130-52	To Kill a Mockingbird	130-85
Bud, Not Buddy	130-21	My Heart Lies South	130-05	A Treasury of Poetry for Young People	130-88
Call of the Wild	130-22	Out of the Dust	130-61	The View from Saturday	130-23
Dear Mr. Henshaw	130-28	Peace Child	130-15	When You Reach Me	130-19
Elijah of Buxton	130-04	Rip Van Winkle Consumable	130-73	A Wrinkle in Time	130-18
Guests	130-07			A Year Down Yonder	130-94

Life Skills 100 (See p. 131)

Dating with Integrity	RR11
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Language Arts 140 (See p. 100)

Included in your Literature 130 Instructor’s Guide.

Learn your roots

Your children are growing up so fast – be thankful you get to be there each step of the way. Enjoy this special time with your blossoming scholars as you watch them discover their roots through Core 100.



Enjoy!

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American History p. 75

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American Historical Literature p. 76

130-MD \$310.64
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Required Resources (If you don't already own)

3" Binder & Tabs p. 135 B050 \$20.99
For Parent and Student Guides

The Timeline Book p. 96 RR120 \$25.99

Optional Resources

Analogies 1 p. 102 140-10 \$10.05

Wordly Wise 3000, Book 8 Set p. 101 140-35 \$18.05

STEP 2
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Physical Science p. 111 150-05 \$105.98
Many Core 100 customers love Apologia's *Physical Science*. For other
easy-to-use, hands-on science programs, see pp. 107-112.



Math pp. 113-125
Choose one of several outstanding math curricula, such as:

Teaching Textbooks Pre-Algebra p. 122 7M10 \$184.90

Teaching Textbooks Algebra 1 p. 122 171-10 \$184.90

**WANT
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Electives pp. 126-132
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend:

Electives 100 100E \$61.95
Includes *Fallacy Detective* (p. 132) and *The Story of Art* (p. 129).

Foreign Language See p. 127 for recommendations

**NEED EXTRA
RESOURCES?**



Resources pp. 133-136

Recommended Resources

Writer's INC p. 133 RL04 \$32.49

Collegiate Thesaurus p. 133 RL03 \$21.95

Math on Call p. 133 RR801 \$29.49

"My daughter thought she might like to attend public high school, until we delved into Core 100. She has changed her mind completely. I love how History and Literature are integrated fully with each other to enrich our learning experience."
— Kristin C. Aug. 2013

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"Our reading time is the most valuable part of our homeschooling day; the boys cherish snuggling up and reading anything from our [Sonlight] curriculum. It's a memory I will carry long after they grow up."
— Georgia B. Aug. 2013



"Sonlight teaches us to view the world through the lens of the Bible, to know God's heart for other nations, to love His people and learn to communicate Christ in meaningful ways to others around us," writes Abigail S of South Africa. "We have found that to be immensely valuable. We have been blessed with the privilege of being able to travel often and we love the freedom that homeschooling gives us to experience life and learn at the same time. Our lives are so much richer because of Sonlight." In her fourth year of Sonlight, 15-year-old Kayleigh studies Core 100 on the beach.



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Core 200

Discover 2,000 years of your Christian heritage

- Uncover the story of the ages: how Jesus of Nazareth changed the world forever.
- Guide your high schooler with confidence – daily plans and complete materials ensure you cover what’s important.
- Gain a balanced view of Christianity’s story through Scripture, history and biographies. Expand your horizons with literary classics.
- Watch your teens gain confidence in their faith, develop as writers and grow academically.



“Experiencing Sonlight books together as a family has bonded us in a special way,” writes Ellen W of Encinitas, CA. “The books have become old friends that we love to revisit. This photo was taken on a vacation day when I found my kids gathered around their older sister, listening to her read one of our favorites. My children are friends and they have these wonderful books in common. Sonlight has been true to its ‘love to learn’ guarantee.” Katie (15), Lizzie (13), Abigail (11) and John (8) are studying Core 200, Core 100 and Core D in their eleventh year of Sonlight.

Celebrate your heritage

Your children know their heritage as citizens of their country. Core 200 opens their eyes to their astounding heritage as citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven: What has God done throughout history? How is He moving today? How are we part of a global body of Christ bigger than our local churches and denominations?

My husband John and I created this Core for 15- to 18-year-olds and advanced 14-year-olds.

Why study Church History?

The Book of Hebrews reminds us “we are surrounded by ... a great cloud of witnesses.” Today, our fellow witnesses include Christians around the globe and throughout history. We are all part of the same body of Christ. We will all walk together in heaven one day. Let’s get to know our brothers and sisters!

I know not everyone gets as excited as I do about feeling connected to the global Church. So consider these other benefits of studying the history of Christ and His Church:

- We get to look at World and American History from a fresh perspective.
- Church history can give us a more accurate perspective on Christianity – both the good and the bad. We don’t have to pretend Christians have only helped the world. But we don’t have to accept the popular notion that the violent Crusades are a valid representation of most of Church history. We can celebrate the hope,

compassion, freedom and progress Christianity has brought society, and also acknowledge the uncomfortable realities of our history.

- Parents love learning the intriguing history in this Core. Many Sonlight moms say they never knew much Church history before and were surprised at how thoroughly they enjoyed it!
- Core 200 helps you maintain open communication with your teenagers as you discuss key faith issues. The books and Instructor’s Guide offer plenty of help in this. As one mom said, *“I’m grateful for the chance to discuss foundational issues while my children are still building their own foundations for their lives.”*

Finally, as *The Story of Christianity* says (p. 7):

For Christians and non-Christians alike, the story of Christianity is a major part of the world’s history. The Christian faith has affected every sphere of life, from morality to politics, from art to literature, from science to philosophy.

Twenty centuries have passed since Jesus walked in Galilee. What a privilege to explore how His incarnation changed history.

A perspective of faith and hope

Core 200 explores Church History through the eyes of people who love Jesus and believe He is God. We look realistically at difficult times in history. We consider hard questions that have caused divisions among Christians. But we always do so from the assumption that Christ is our loving Savior and God incarnate.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 5-7 hrs | **Parent:** 1-2½ hrs



We also approach this study from the perspective that Christians in the Western and Eastern Hemispheres have important places in the Christian story.

Enter into this study expecting to face some questions you've never considered, and to be assured of Jesus' power and love throughout the centuries. The motivation behind Core 200 is that we all would know God better, love Jesus more dearly, understand the world around us more fully and follow God's call on our lives more completely.

What you'll study

Core 200 starts with the Old Testament, moves quickly to the time of the early Church and continues up to the modern Church.

The foundational text, *The Story of Christianity*, provides a wonderfully balanced view. Authored by a Catholic Priest and a Protestant scholar, it's not biased in either direction. (Though we who own Sonlight come from a Protestant perspective, we know the Protestant movement is only part of the whole and came after 1,500 years of church history.)

A second text, *The 100 Most Important Events in Christian History*, gives a captivating chronology and description of key turning points in history.

You'll also encounter a biographical history of Christian missions with *From Jerusalem to Irian Jaya*. Meet people who totally altered how the gospel has spread – from the Apostle Paul to Columba to William Carey to Jim Elliot to Mother Teresa.

As your students learn how God's Church grew, they will also enjoy a Literature program with key classics and a challenging Bible program that helps them know what they believe and why.

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WITH HISTORY 200 YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

We've formatted History 200 for independent study, if desired. Your History and Bible Parent Guide and separate History and Bible Student Guide weave materials together cohesively to direct your students with confidence each day.

The Parent Guide mirrors the Student Guide, but also includes answers and extra notes. So you can discuss their reading, check their progress, and bolster their academic and spiritual learning.

If you'd like a free IG sample, request the first three weeks at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

History

As you watch the Church grow, you get to:

- Discover the fascinating and largely untold story of the first "missionaries" to East Asia. Find evidence for Christianity in Japan as early as the 700s.

- Wrestle through some of the controversial issues that have divided the Western Church. Understand why the Church exists in its present diverse forms today.

- Examine infrastructure developments, social trends and inventions that have aided the rapid spread of the gospel.

Bible

Equip your students to understand, deepen and defend their faith. Empower them to articulate the fundamental principles of Christianity. Give them a new appreciation for the beauty and cohesiveness of the Bible. And help them consider Jesus as a real person with real implications for their lives. The Bible 200 program does all of these.

You know you're a homeschooler when
... PJs are the official school uniform.



Your History and Bible Course includes:

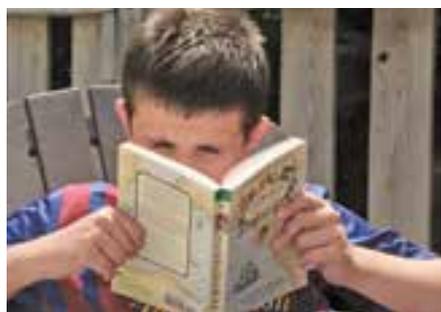
For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/220-MD

History of the Christian Church				220-MD
Instructor's Guide 220				220-IG (\$70.98 if ordered separately)
Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.				
History 220 Parent Guide	220-PG	History 220 Student Guide		220-SG
History 220				220-00
The Church of the East	220-10	The 100 Most Important	The Story of Christianity	220-25
From Jerusalem to Irian Jaya	220-15	Events in Christian History		220-20
Bible 210				210-00
Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor's Guide.				
The Jesus I Never Knew	210-15	The Westminster Shorter	What if Jesus Had Never	210-30
More Than a Carpenter	210-20	Catechism	Been Born	

"I love Sonlight's style because it teaches our children HOW to think, not WHAT to think," writes Phil M of Warsaw, OH. "Our children are all learning to read, research and evaluate whether or not information is true according to God's Word. Personally, I'm thankful for the classical type of education that is simple for me to use. It's all ready to go – everything I need for each day. Sonlight came highly recommended, and I've never regretted this decision!" In her twelfth year of Sonlight, Rebecca (14) enjoys the *A Child's Anthology of Poetry* from Core 200.



WITH LITERATURE 200 YOU RECEIVE



"Sonlight is by far the best curriculum for history," writes Lyn H of New Brunswick, Canada. "We tried another curriculum a few years ago, but came straight back to Sonlight. The range of books is wonderful. I quite often find Sonlight books underneath Ben's bed, where he has taken them from the school room and re-read them in bed at night." In his fourth year of Sonlight, 14-year-old Ben soaks up Core 200 as his younger sister studies Core G.

Instructor's Guide

Like its History 200 counterpart, the Literature 200 course is designed for students to enjoy independent study if you choose. You'll receive a Literature and Language Arts Parent Guide and a separate Literature and Language Arts Student Guide that will guide your students through each day.

The Parent Guide mirrors the Student Guide, but also includes answers and extra notes to help you keep tabs on their progress and jump in for meaningful discussion, too.

Want to see how it works? Request a free IG sample at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

Classic Literature

Literature 200 features our most diverse collection of classics in any Core. We have assembled many of the world's most cherished classics into a unique program that your students will enjoy.

Highlights include *Robinson Crusoe*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*, *Jane Eyre*, *The Screwtape Letters*, *The Hawk and the Dove Trilogy* and more. The guided study and corresponding language arts program tie these works into a fantastic course that develops critical thinking, literary analysis and written communication skills.

Language Arts

Fully integrated with the associated literature program, Language Arts 200 unleashes your students' writing potential. With engaging assignments that draw from their reading, students learn and practice the basics of literary analysis, essays, research, creative writing and more.



"Thank you, Sonlight, for the great kids they are today," writes Daniel H of Lancaster, CA. "The camaraderie and love evident among our kids represent the values of loving learning, having fun, valuing others and Christian principles that Sonlight inspires. For our 25th anniversary, they planned a special meal and program, and even composed an ode to our marriage. I'm sure it was a result of their Sonlight upbringing! Coming back from grad school in Baltimore, school and an internship in San Diego, and on vacation from freshman year of college in Minnesota, they blessed our hearts." In their fourteenth year of Sonlight, Dina (16) is using *British Literature* as Micah (13) and Isaiah (12) share Core 200. Sarah, Hannah and Leah have graduated from Sonlight and are now in college or graduate school.

Your Literature and Language Arts Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/230-MD

Classic Literature 230-MD

Instructor's Guide 230 230-IG (\$70.98 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

Literature 230 Parent Guide	230-PG	Literature 230 Student Guide	230-SG
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Classic Literature 230 230-00

The Annotated <i>Pride and Prejudice</i>	230-54	The Hawk and the Dove	230-03	Pontius Pilate	230-01
The Best of Father Brown	230-14	Jane Eyre	230-38	The Ramsay Scallop	230-56
A Child's Anthology of Poetry	230-11	Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH	230-44	Robinson Crusoe	230-58
A Christmas Carol	230-22	Oliver Twist	230-48	Romeo and Juliet	230-59
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde and Other Tales	230-24	Outlaws of Sherwood	230-02	The Screwtape Letters	230-60
Enchantress from the Stars	230-25	A Parcel of Patterns	230-50	The Shining Company	230-62
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				What Hearts	230-73
				The Wise Woman and Other Stories	230-74

Language Arts 240 (See p. 100)

Included in your Literature 230 Instructor's Guide.

Know your family

Join the ranks of Sonlighters who know now the story of their Christian family. May you enjoy the fresh conversations and discoveries in store for you. Thank you for being dedicated to your students' academic and spiritual growth!



Enjoy!
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Optional Resources

Vocabulary from Classical Roots A p. 101 240-20 \$36.15

Analogies 2 p. 102 240-10 \$10.05

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How to Read Church History 260-45 \$47.90

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High School Biology p. 111 250-05 \$468.97
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Math pp. 113-125
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 Teaching Textbooks Algebra 2 p. 122 271-10 \$184.90

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Electives pp. 126-132
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend:
 Electives 200 200E \$61.95
Includes *The Story of Art* (p. 129) and *The Thinking Toolbox* (p. 132).
 Foreign Language See p. 127 for recommendations

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Recommended Resources
 Writer's INC p. 133 RL04 \$32.49
 Collegiate Thesaurus p. 133 RL03 \$21.95
 Math on Call p. 133 RR801 \$29.49
 How to Read Church History p. 96 260-45 \$47.90

"Sonlight's literature-rich approach has helped Gabriel stretch and grow beyond his own personal experience. Standard textbooks aren't designed to create a thinking human being. Sonlight does that, and more!"

— Julie M, June 2013

"Sonlight has helped me get a better schedule and has kept me organized! I don't think I would have kept my sanity last year if it weren't for Sonlight."

— Leslie T, Aug. 2013

BENEFITS

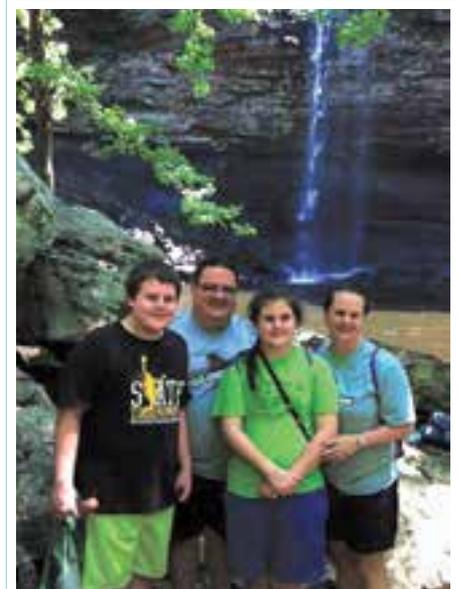
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"I am thankful for Sonlight's Instructor's Guides, which make preparation easy," writes Karen E of Alexander, AR. "That enables us to participate in wonderful field trips. I also love the closeness homeschooling promotes in our family. My kids truly enjoy being together." Here, the E family poses at the base of Cedar Falls in Petit Jean State Park. This year, Emma (12) is using Core G as Josiah (15) studies Core 200. They've both used Sonlight since kindergarten.



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Core 300

Understand, engage and transform the modern world

- Trace the massive, sweeping changes of the last century.
- Explore the complex roots of political, social and cultural battles that rage today.
- Guide your young scholars with lesson plans, tools and materials that let you successfully homeschool high schoolers.
- Watch students hone essential writing skills and learn to defend their faith.



“An added bonus of Sonlight is teaching your children not only to be good readers and awesome authorities on history, but also to be good listeners,” writes Jeff S of Haughton, LA. “The reading aloud part of the curriculum is huge. I did not understand how much so until I watched my boys listen quietly and attentively in group settings while their peers seemed unable to even sit still. I quickly understood this is a bonus of all the times they sat listening to me read to them as part of Sonlight. My oldest is now a senior and I know Sonlight has helped transform him into the awesome young man he has become.” In their eleventh year of Sonlight, Cameron (18) and Cody (15) share Core 300, while Hunter (11) enjoys Core E.

A century of change and challenge

In 1900, American women couldn't vote. Vaccines and radio didn't exist. It took more than a week to travel from Paris to New York. Colonial powers scrambled to conquer Africa. Only the world's wealthiest owned automobiles.

In 1999, the world prepared for a computer problem that might ravage the global economy. Daily commercial flights jetted across the Atlantic. The Internet, space travel and the ability to clone animals were no longer far-fetched tales of science fiction.

The 20th century brought massive changes to global society. Core 300 helps you understand those changes and, therefore, understand the world today.

I created this Core for 16- to 18-year-olds and mature 15-year-olds.

Keys that unlock history

Learn the key events, people, conflicts, inventions and changes of the last century. Your primary text, *The Visual History of the Modern World*, takes you year-by-year from 1900 through the 2000s. Timelines, concise articles and great photos chronicle the people and events that drove history.

The 20th century was the first to be documented in images as well as in words. A second text, *Our Century in Pictures*, reveals history through the iconic photos of the 1900s.

Significant literary works and biographies of the 20th century augment your understanding. As you get a sense for how the period unfolded, some books will inspire while others may disturb. I have

chosen all of them to help students understand how modern cultures view the world.

Facing reality

In earlier Core programs, we hold off from fully diving into 20th century world history. Why? Partially because it's so ugly. The 20th century is by far the most violent (not counting the Flood) in all of world history.

Amidst sweeping advances in wealth, these years also brought suffering in unprecedented proportions. There are the familiar tragedies: two devastating World Wars, nuclear warfare and the Holocaust. But also lesser-known horrors: genocides in Europe, Asia and Africa; mass starvation in China and the USSR; drug wars, child labor and human trafficking.

Despite this century's darkness, we shine a light and look it in the face. We need to evaluate it for what it is, why it happened as it did and where we are headed now.

An encouraging note to parents

If your family has been learning, discussing and growing with Sonlight for a while, you've cultivated ripe soil for sustained positive communication with your older teenagers.

It's time to reap the harvest you've prepared. Enjoy their maturing minds and marvel at their insights. Let them continue to see you as a source of wise counsel. Core 300 offers priceless opportunities for these and other inspiring moments on your family's educational journey together.

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects:
Student: 6-8 hrs | **Parent:** 1-2½ hrs



WITH HISTORY 300 YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Like the other upper-level IG teaching tools, your History 300 and Bible Parent and Student Guides walk you through each school day, so students are free to embark on their own independent study. As they work through the Student Guide, you can easily engage and track their progress with tools that include your corresponding Parent Guide (with answers and extra notes), your students' journaling and discussion.

Visit sonlight.com/3-week-samples to request the first three weeks of the guides for free.

History

Witness the major events of the last century. From inventions and technological advances to sweeping social change, you will:

- Discover how Russia went from being our ally to our greatest foe in a few short years.
- Investigate a 1973 court case whose decision continues to divide a country.
- Learn how a defeated island nation rose to become a vast economic power.
- See how two words freed 100 million people in Eastern Europe.

Bible

The Bible 300 program helps students develop spiritual maturity as they move toward adulthood.

Know What You Believe and *Know Why You Believe* are wonderful introductory texts on the Christian faith and apologetics. The compelling *Mere Christianity* has helped countless Christians answer those who have questions about faith. Though not as deep, *How to Ruin Your Life by 30* is a highly practical wake-up call. Young people make the connection that the choices they make now have long-term implications for good or bad.

Biographies & Historical Fiction

Gripping biographies and novels add to your appreciation of history. For example, when you meet Chairman Mao in a history book, you also read a novel about his Red Army and a memoir of the terrifying Cultural Revolution. In addition:

- Meet Albert Einstein and get an amazingly understandable explanation of his theory of relativity.
- Read what many consider the greatest war novel of all time.
- Be inspired by Corrie Ten Boom's extraordinary Christian faith and her courage in hiding Jews during WWII.

Core 300 provides options

A Sonlight high school Core typically combines two 36-week courses: History and Literature. Our recommended Cores work well for most families. You may use the standard Core 300 or create a unique Core experience.

To customize, select any *History 100-300*, *Government 400 AND Economics*, or *History 500* course. Combine with any *Literature 100-400 course* to build the Core that meets your student's interests and academic goals.

All Core benefits apply to the Core that you create (see pp. 24-25).

LET'S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM



"Thank you, Sonlight, for the quality literature that keeps my daughter engaged."

— Erica S, Aug. 2013

Your History and Bible Course includes:

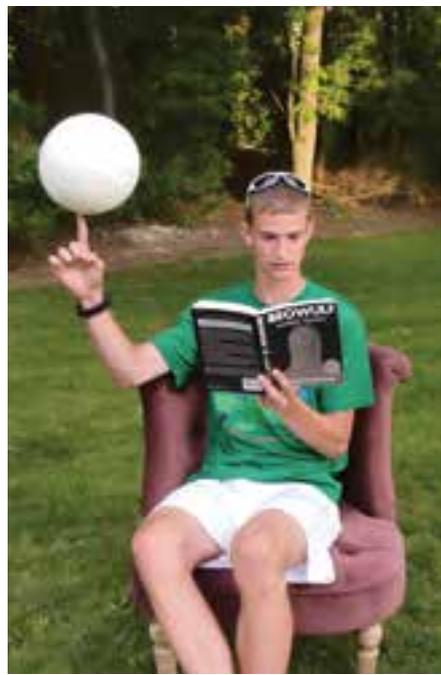
20th Century World History				320-MD
Instructor's Guide 320				320-IG (\$70.98 if ordered separately)
Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.				
History 320 Parent Guide	320-PG	History 320 Student Guide	320-SG	
History 320				320-00
Our Century in Pictures for Young People	320-60	Visual History of the Modern World	320-37	
Bible 310				310-00
Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor's Guide.				
How to Ruin Your Life By 30	310-26	Know What You Believe	310-10	Mere Christianity 310-20
		Know Why You Believe	310-15	
Biographies & Historical Fiction 320				320-05
After the War	320-10	Fallen Angels	320-40	The Road from Home 320-75
Albert Einstein and the Theory of Relativity	320-15	God Spoke Tibetan	320-21	There's a Sheep In My Bathtub 320-22
All Quiet on the Western Front	320-20	The Hiding Place	320-45	To Destroy You Is No Loss 320-23
China's Long March: 6,000 Miles of Danger	320-30	Labor's Untold Story	320-50	When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit 320-90
		Living On the Devil's Doorstep	320-52	Winston Churchill: Soldier, Statesman, Artist 320-95
		Made You Look	320-54	You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton? 320-99
		One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich	330-58	
		Red Scarf Girl	320-70	



"I call these times 'Sonlight Moments' because without Sonlight I don't believe that my children would learn together like this," writes Andrea S of British Columbia, Canada. "Maeann recruited her siblings to help with one of her chemistry labs. Here they are smiling their cheesy smiles because of the flood they are making in the kitchen. We are starting our 10th year of homeschooling, our 6th year with Sonlight. Thanks for all the wonderful books you provide for our family to learn and live with! Sonlight is such a beautiful, big part of our life." This year, Maeann (16) is studying Core 300 and Ian (13) is using Core 200, while Clara (11) and Peter (9) share Core F.



WITH LITERATURE 300 YOU RECEIVE



“I discovered Sonlight 16 years ago and boy, am I glad I did!” writes Christie I of Sussex, WI. “The high interest level of Sonlight books have given my active boys (and my more tranquil daughter) the opportunity to hear and learn from great books, even if they couldn’t sit still very long. Even in high school, we choose some books to read aloud because we enjoy books together and it has become part of our DNA.” Although this photo is staged, 17-year-old Nathaniel really can maneuver a soccer ball while he reads or listens to Christie read. He is studying Core 300 and British Literature in his twelfth and final year of Sonlight. His three older siblings all used Sonlight from 6th grade through high school, graduated college, and are now working.

“I taught High School Literature before having children, and I couldn’t pick better compilations of literature than Sonlight has to offer.”
— Melanie W., Aug. 2013

Instructor’s Guide

The Literature 300 course can be largely self-taught. Your children are able to chart their own course with help from the Literature and Language Arts Student Guide. The corresponding Parent Guide lets you jump in at any time to assess learning or engage in meaningful discussion.

Request a free three-week sample at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

20th Century Literature

This thoughtful program of 20th century classics takes you on a tour of great writing. I’ve spread out the more difficult classics and interspersed lighter, uplifting works for variety. Prepare to integrate your learning with real life through discussion and spiritual preparation. You will:

- See firsthand how Hitler convinced normal German citizens to do his evil will. Follow a 10-year-old who proudly joins the Hitler Youth in 1938.

- Enjoy the comforting story *Hope Was Here*, a tale of positive determination triumphing over corruption.
- Experience the true story of an American high school whose history teacher dangerously tests the power of peer pressure.
- Read the heartwarming story of a dignified Zulu pastor in mid-1900s South Africa, a land driven by racial injustice.

Language Arts

Fully integrated with Literature 300, Language Arts 300 builds on past years and continues to develop literary analysis, creative writing, research and essay skills. See how it spurs your high schooler to write with passion and purpose!

Your Literature and Language Arts Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/330-MD

20th Century Literature 330-MD

Instructor’s Guide 330 330-IG (\$70.98 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

Literature 330 Parent Guide	330-PG	Literature 330 Student Guide	330-SG
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20th Century Literature 330 330-00

Alas, Babylon	330-10	Heart to Heart: New Poems	
Brave New World	330-13	Inspired by Twentieth-Century American Art	330-40
Children of the River	320-25	Hope Was Here	330-32
The Contender	330-16	Kon-Tiki	330-43
Cry the Beloved Country	330-19	The Metamorphosis	330-46
The Great Brain	330-28	The Moves Make the Man	330-49
The Great Gatsby	330-31	Murder on the Orient Express	330-52
The Great Gilly Hopkins	330-34		
Heart of Darkness	330-37		
		My Father’s Daughter	330-33
		The Old Man and the Sea	330-55
		Parallel Journeys	320-65
		Robert Frost’s Poems	330-35
		The Snow Goose	320-85
		The Tempest	330-26
		Walk Two Moons	330-64
		The Wave	330-29
		The Wednesday Wars	330-27

Language Arts 340 (See p. 100)

Included in your Literature 330 Instructor’s Guide.

Discover the world around you

Finish Core 300 with a deeper appreciation for the people and cultures of the modern world. Know the story behind modern conflicts and debates. And rest in our hope in Christ our Savior.



Enjoy!

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LET’S PICK YOUR CURRICULUM





STEP 1
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Core 300
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300-00 ^{Retail \$721.81!} **\$625**
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20th Century World History p. 83
320-MD \$413.68
(if ordered separately)



20th Century Literature p. 84
330-MD \$308.13
(if ordered separately)

Required Resources (If you don't already own)

3" Binder & Tabs p. 135 B050 \$20.99
For Parent and Student Guides

The Timeline Book p. 96 RR120 \$25.99

Optional Resources

Vocabulary from Classical Roots B p. 101 340-20 \$36.15

Analogies 3 p. 102 340-10 \$10.05

Wordly Wise 3000, Book 10 Set p. 101 340-35 \$18.90

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High School Chemistry p. 112 350-05 \$156.98
Many Core 300 customers love Apologia's *High School Chemistry*. For
other easy-to-use, hands-on science programs, see pages 107-112.



Math pp. 113-125
Choose one of several outstanding math curricula, such as:
 Teaching Textbooks Geometry p. 122 371-11 \$184.90
 Teaching Textbooks Algebra 2 p. 122 271-10 \$184.90

**WANT
ELECTIVES?**



Electives pp. 126-132
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend:
 Electives 300 300E \$356.99
Includes *Drivers Ed in a Box* (p. 132) and *Non-Designer's Design Book*
(p. 129).
 Foreign Language See p. 127 for recommendations

**NEED EXTRA
RESOURCES?**



Resources pp. 133-136
Recommended Resources
 College & Career Planning Kit p. 95 580-00 \$65.44
 Collegiate Thesaurus p. 133 RL03 \$21.95
 Math on Call p. 133 RR801 \$29.49

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"It's amazing to see my son's eyes light up when he connects something in everyday life to something we've learned in Sonlight!"

— Colleen H., Aug. 2013



"Three older children who used Sonlight have already graduated and were well-prepared for college," writes Debra U of Slinger, WI. "We have homeschooled all nine of our children all the way through high school. We were thrilled to discover Sonlight ten years ago. It fits well with the way we always homeschooled – read alouds, history through biographies and historical fiction, grouping our children together as much as possible. Our children are all avid readers, and finding them in unusual places or positions totally engrossed in a book is not at all uncommon." Here, Debra's youngest child Jadon (8) finds an interesting way to soak up a book. He is studying Core D this year as two older siblings use Core 300.

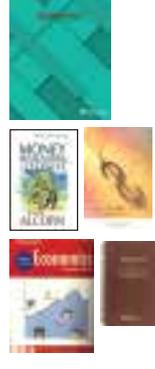
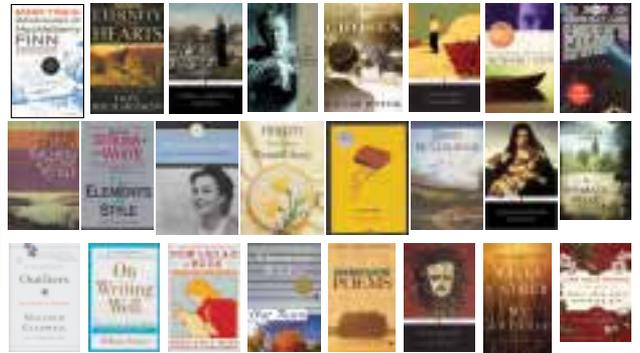
"Having three high-schoolers at the same time seemed overwhelming, but Sonlight's organized Instructor's Guides have allowed them to become independent learners and thinkers."

— Brian H., Aug. 2013



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Literature with Language Arts


Core 400

Unearth the heritage and history of the U.S. government

- Take a tour of American government, with an up-close look at the three branches.
- Consider modern-day economic theories and values in light of God's perspective on possessions.
- Encounter the "great American novel," along with noteworthy short stories, plays, poems, biographies and more.
- Discover practical ways to live out a faith that is relevant to and integrates with our government, culture and the world.

The how and why of our government and economy, plus a grand literary adventure

Core 400 teams two 18-week courses, American Government and Economics, with a 36-week American Literature course. The first offers a view of not only how our government works, but also why it works as it does. The second demystifies one of the least understood disciplines in all of academics. The third offers a delightful encounter with a catalog of literary classics.



"We love the way Sonlight caters to different ages while incorporating our favorite pastime – reading!" writes Michele G of New Zealand.

"No time is wasted getting schedules together and planning. Sonlight is great when we're on the go, whether on a trip to the beach or when moving to whatever country God sends us." Emily (16, Core 300), Christy (14, Core H), Joseph (11, Core G), Heidi and Johannes (5 and 3, Core P4/5) think that doing school 'down under' has never been more fun!

Daily Time Commitment

Estimated daily time for this Core plus your other Subjects
Student: 3½-5 hrs | **Parent:** 2-3 hrs

Designed for independent study, Core 400 is suited for 17- and 18-year-old students and advanced 16-year-olds. My daughter, Amy Lykosh, has helped create a robust Core that will challenge and intrigue your high schoolers. Students who have used other upper-level Cores will be best equipped for the rigors of Core 400.

What you'll study

Most Americans think our government is pretty complicated. Interestingly enough, the Founding Fathers designed it that way! Core 400 unravels their reasoning and walks you through the complexity as it has played out throughout our history up to the current political scene. Lessons cover the time of Colonial government before the American Revolution to current practices on the Beltway: a whirlwind tour, but an intensely rewarding one.

After an overview of government types, we begin with the Constitution. Students discover how two centuries of social currents and historical events have altered Americans' understanding of this document: Jeffersonian Democracy, Lincoln's presidency, the incredible increase in the federal government during the 20th century and more.

Upon completing Core 400, your students will know about the House Ways and Means committee, the reason most controversial Supreme Court rulings come in June, and the difference between caucuses and primaries – these and other terms that are common in the everyday news we hear.

As students mature and prepare to contribute to our world, we also want to equip them with a practical understanding of how an economy functions and the part they play. Thinkwell's acclaimed

online program, along with the Biblically based text, *Money, Possessions and Eternity*, and the delightful "economic romance," *The Invisible Heart*, combine to offer a balanced view of topics from basic economic theory to trade practices and more.

Goals for Core 400

We created Core 400 to help your students have a working knowledge of the United States government, a Constitutional Federated Republic (not a democracy). We want them to better understand their country and its history, to know their rights and duties as citizens and to comprehend that economics is about more than money.

Core 400 teaches students to step back and ask questions behind the issues. If we lived in the days of the Boston Tea Party, we would not only ask the question everyone else was asking (Which side are you on?), but also the ethical question: Is destruction of property wise, necessary and appropriate? As we consider current unemployment and outsourcing of jobs, we might ask the obvious "why?"

As they encounter a broad picture of American politics and economic practices, students will learn some uncomfortable truths. We look at the history of what our government has done, both good and bad. As students ponder foundational issues, we present different sides, enabling them to see beyond surface rhetoric and think for themselves.

In the end, we desire to equip individuals to employ Scriptural values and make informed assessments as they evaluate governmental policies and actions and prepare for a lifetime of citizenship.

WITH GOVERNMENT 400 YOU RECEIVE



Instructor's Guide

Government 400 is designed for your student's independent study. The Government and Bible Student Guide provides daily reading assignments, along with additional notes and questions to reinforce reading and aid understanding. Use your accompanying Parent Guide to follow along, monitor learning and discuss, as desired.

Request the first three weeks of the guides for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

American Government / Civics

Your primary text for this 18-week course, *Basic American Government*, provides a fine overview of our Constitution's history and what has happened to bring its interpretation to the current state. For

balance, we include the popular and highly palatable *Complete Idiot's Guide to U.S. Government and Politics*.

Other books in your Government 400 course unearth fascinating details and survey the subject broad and deep. A few highlights:

- Our three-branch government explained: Get inside the presidential election process, a summary of the Supreme Court and a complete behind-the-scenes explanation of Congress.
- Encounter a powerful story about the need for the Civil Rights movement.
- Liberal? Conservative? Erase any confusion, as differences in today's parties are clarified.

Bible

Should religious truth influence civil government? The politically correct answer is no. Bible 400 challenges that answer.

You and your students will interact with Scripture in an ambitious new way. Two thought-provoking books, *God and Politics* and *Truth and Transformation*, ask you to question assumptions and serve as your guide to examine civil government through a Biblical lens.



Core 400 provides options

With a slightly different configuration than its upper-level counterparts, Core 400 combines two 18-week courses, Government and Economics, with a 36-week American Literature course. Our recommended Cores work well for most families. You may use the standard Core 400 or create a unique Core experience.

To customize, select any *History 100-300*, *Government 400 AND Economics*, or *History 500* course. Combine with any *Literature 100-400* course.

All Core benefits apply to the Core that you create (see pp. 24-25).

Your Government and Bible Course includes: For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/420-MD

American Government / Civics 420-99

Instructor's Guide 420 420-IG (\$77.98 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the 18 week program.

History 420	420-PG	History 420	420-SG
Parent Guide		Student Guide	

Government 420 420-00

Are you Liberal? Conservative? Or Confused?	420-02	Black Like Me	420-15	Congress for Dummies	420-06
Basic American Government	420-10	The Complete Idiot's Guide to U.S. Government & Politics	420-04	Selecting a President	420-03
				The U.S. Supreme Court	420-01

Bible 410 410-00

Scripture reading & memorization scheduled in your Instructor's Guide.

God and Politics	410-01	Truth and Transformation	410-02
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WITH ECONOMICS YOU RECEIVE



Instructor's Guide

As with its upper-level counterparts, students can readily and successfully study Economics on their own. Your Instructor's Guide (with two lesson plan options, general and AP* prep) provides daily assignments, helpful notes, thought-provoking questions and answers, too – all of which reinforce your student's reading and understanding.

Find out more about the course and request a free sample IG at sonlight.com/570-00.

Economics

Students will encounter the 18-week Economics course in an inviting way. From Bible-focused journal questions that offer insight into God's perspective on money and other earthly treasures, to challenging computer-graded exercises, this course readies your children for college and life. Students will find a solid foundation that helps develop good stewardship values to guide them over time. (See p. 94 for details.)



"Sonlight curriculum affords the flexibility that we need, since we travel often," writes Jenny R of East Asia. "Because of Sonlight's worldview focus, we're able to apply what we learn in real settings. We often talk about how we can understand this culture and serve its people better. Sonlight's literature-based curriculum gives us many thought-provoking sessions!" Here, 16-year-old Robbie helps young students in a summer English camp. Now studying Core 400, Robbie has used Sonlight for over eleven years.

Your Economics Course includes: For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/570-00

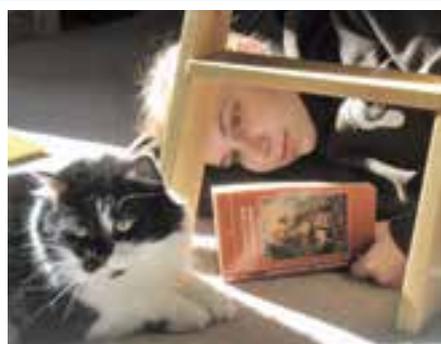
Economics 570 570-00

Sonlight® Economics Instructor's Guide (Schedule and Notes)	570-01	Thinkwell Economics Internet Course	570-50	Money, Possessions and Eternity	RR110
		Invisible Heart	570-10	Sonlight Personal Journal	570-40

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WITH LITERATURE 400 YOU RECEIVE



“Sonlight remains the best fit for our family after all these years,” writes Kim T of Bloomington, IL. “We have always loved how portable Sonlight is. You can take it wherever you want – even under the ladder of your bunk bed! Anna loves reading her Sonlight Readers wherever her cat is.” Anna has used Sonlight since she was 5-years-old; she is now 17 and studying Core 400. Her older siblings also used Sonlight for their entire schooling. Sarah (19) is in her junior year of nursing school, while Josh (22) just graduated with a double major in marketing and business.



“After using Sonlight since 1995, we’ve seen that the greatest benefit is the relationships we’ve built around great books,” writes Linda M of Ocala, FL. “When Gerren decided to join the Air Force after graduation, we knew we’d all miss him. However, the relationship between Gerren and his youngest sister was especially strong. This picture shows that relationship. Thank you Sonlight, for giving us great stories to build a family history around!” Here, Gerren (18) and Carys (7) connect at Gerren’s graduation from the Air Force’s Basic Training. Carys is using Core C this year; Gerren graduated last year after finishing Core 400.

Instructor’s Guide

Literature 400 takes learners on a yearlong adventure of independent study. The Literature and Language Arts Student Guide provides daily reading and writing assignments, along with additional notes and questions that reinforce and challenge your student. The accompanying Parent Guide keeps you in touch and on track, so you can come alongside at any point in your student’s learning.

Curious how it works? Get a free IG sample at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

American Literature

Literature 400 is a 36-week opportunity for upper-level students to immerse themselves in the best of the best – highlights and hallmarks of great Ameri-

can literature. Students will read the well-known authors and works they should be familiar with prior to leaving high school. These include classics from literary legends such as John Steinbeck, Willa Cather, O. Henry, Edgar Allan Poe, Mark Twain and more. We’ve also included more contemporary works I believe you’ll enjoy, like bestselling author and speaker Malcolm Gladwell’s *Outliers* and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Annie Dillard’s *Teaching a Stone to Talk*.

Language Arts

The complete Language Arts 400 program is fully integrated with your Literature 400 studies. Students continue developing the key skills of literary analysis, creative writing and academic research.

Your Literature and Language Arts Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/430-MD

American Literature

430-MD

Instructor’s Guide 430

430-IG (\$46.98 if ordered separately)

Literature 430 Parent Guide	430-PG	Literature 430 Student Guide	430-SG
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Literature 430

430-00

100 Best-Loved Poems	430-52	Ender’s Game	430-03	Our Town	430-55
A Separate Peace	430-01	Eternity in Their Hearts	420-30	Outliers	430-04
Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	430-10	Evidence Not Seen	430-05	The Portable Edgar Allan Poe	430-61
The Best Short Stories of O. Henry	430-16	Fidelity	430-08	The Scarlet Letter	430-64
Brave Companions	430-11	The Grapes of Wrath	430-37	Teaching a Stone to Talk	430-06
The Chosen	430-22	How to Read a Book	430-09	Their Eyes Were Watching God	430-02
Death of a Salesman	430-07	Jacob Have I Loved	430-40	Up From Slavery	420-60
Elements of Style	430-12	My Ántonia	430-49		
		On Writing Well	440-02		

Language Arts 440 (See p. 100)

Included in your Literature 430 Instructor’s Guide.

Prepare for a lifetime of citizenship

Help your students live as engaged, upright citizens with this well-rounded Core. Enjoy the lively conversations and fascinating discoveries sure to come your way.



Enjoy!

Sarita
Sarita

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“We love the depth, culture and insight the books in the Sonlight Cores offer.”
– Mary B, July 2013

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(if ordered separately)



Economics p. 94 570-00 \$232.92
(if ordered separately)



American Literature p. 88 430-MD \$384.67
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Required Resources (If you don't already own)

3" Binder & Tabs p. 135 B050 \$20.99
For Parent and Student Guides

Optional Resources

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 Wordly Wise 3000, Book 12 Set p. 101 540-20 \$18.90

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**Teaching Textbooks
Pre-Calculus** p. 122 471-20 \$184.90
Many Core 400 students do best with *Teaching Textbooks Pre-Calculus*.
For other outstanding math curricula, see pp. 113-125.

**WANT
ELECTIVES?**



Electives See pp. 126-132
Help your children explore their gifts. We recommend:
Electives 400 400E \$223.99
Includes *Understanding the Times: Homeschool Edition* (p. 132) and
Secrets of Great Communicators (p. 131).
 Foreign Language See p. 127 for recommendations

**NEED EXTRA
RESOURCES?**



Resources pp. 133-136
Recommended Resources
 College & Career Planning Kit p. 95 580-00 \$65.44
 Collegiate Thesaurus p. 133 RL03 \$21.95
 Math on Call p. 133 RR801 \$29.49

"When I found Sonlight, I found peace! The Instructor's Guide is wonderful, and requires very little preparation and planning."
— Crissy L, July 2013



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Guarantee**

+ PLUS

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- Optional interest-free payment plans
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- Sonlight Forums
- 50% of IG repurchase

SEE P. 24 FOR DETAILS

You know you're a homeschooler when
... your son's friends all have the same
Facebook status update: "... is bored,"
and your son posts "... is not bored."



"Our family was particularly grateful for the **American Government course**," writes Suzanna F of Dolores, CO. "Like so many Sonlight courses, it gave sound principles and balanced them very fairly with opposite viewpoints, pressing students to think through their own presuppositions. You know your material is engaging when even the family cat tries to take part!" Aram (17) and Leijoy (15) have been homeschooled since kindergarten and have used Sonlight since second grade. Furry Murray the Cat participates by trying to chew their pencils.



Prepare your students for ongoing success

“Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man” (Luke 2:52). Jesus grew up. As our teenagers grow to adulthood, we want them to experience similar well-rounded maturity – mental, physical, spiritual and social – to become the unique individuals God created them to be.

Equip your high schoolers with tools that help them grow deep! Sonlight offers courses that let upper-level students think critically, perform well on college entrance exams, discover their interests, follow their dreams, engage with and make a difference in their world.

Whether you’re looking for courses to help your high schoolers prepare for AP* exams or simply expand their horizons, take a look at our College Prep section. We want to walk with your family as your children prepare to make their way in the world.

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“Our kids have learned how to think logically and critically, and how to teach themselves anything they want to for the rest of their lives,” writes Robin H of Oconto Falls, WI. “It’s like the difference between teaching a man to fish and giving him a fish. I wish many others could grasp how foundational the reading of great books is to a child’s education. It seems very logical that language arts, reading and history are tied together. It helps kids learn when there’s connection among subjects instead of compartmentalization. If I had it to do over again, I’d use Sonlight from beginning to end.” Robin has used Sonlight for the past twelve of her nineteen homeschooling years. Her three oldest have already graduated with Sonlight, and she is savoring her last year with David (17), who is studying Core 200.

World History and Worldview Studies

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p. 138



History and



Bible



Explore the rise and fall of influential ideologies

- Discover in historical context the ideas that have shaped history.
- Learn how key worldviews developed and how they impact the way individuals make sense of reality.
- Understand the consequences of past and present philosophies.
- Accompany your students as they develop a sound, discerning approach to historical and biblical worldviews, and solidify their own beliefs.

What’s in a worldview?

From ancient times to modern days, history has impacted the world in significant ways. Typical approaches to history tend to focus on names, dates and events. But what’s behind it all? Why do humans behave as we do? Where do the beliefs that drive our behaviors originate?

Every individual has an underlying worldview. A worldview is simply how we see and make sense of reality. When we understand the ideologies to which we subscribe, consciously or not, we can also gain insight into why we think as we do about truth, faith, science, art, education and many other issues.

We created *World History and Worldview Studies* to give your 17- and 18-year-old (and advanced 16-year-old) students an understanding of the important ideas and philosophies through the ages that have influenced our world. It will help them think deeply about issues of personal, social and ethical significance. What’s more, it will provide a platform for you to discuss together, examine and help solidify the belief system that will guide your children and ultimately serve as a lifelong compass.

36 weeks of History and Bible

World History and Worldview Studies 520 is a 36-week course that provides an expansive look at history and also includes distinctive Chris-

tian commentary. Pair it with any upper-level Literature course to create the Core that best serves your students.

Spanning ancient history through the start of the 21st century, *Streams of Civilization, Volumes 1 and 2*, anchor the history portion of the course. Written by Christian authors, these books not only provide a beautiful historical overview, but also weave in unique insights and analysis about science, music, art, architecture, pop culture and other topics of interest throughout.

Four equally engaging books lay the foundation for the Bible segment of the course.

The Universe Next Door introduces your children to nine prominent worldviews, such as deism, existentialism, naturalism and nihilism.

Total Truth integrates the history of ideas with their relevance to Christianity on a practical level.

Philosophy Made Slightly Less Difficult gives your students a brilliant introduction to key topics: reasoning, ultimate reality, morality and more.

Good Ideas from Questionable Christians and Outright Pagans takes your learners on an illuminating journey where they’ll encounter the ideas of history’s principal philosophers, including Aristotle, Augustine, Nietzsche, Marx and others.

Combine with other courses

What’s the perfect complement for *World History and Worldview Studies*? Customizable upper-level options leave that decision in your hands. Depending on what works best for your students, you can team this course with one of our 36-week high school Literature courses to create the complete Core experience (with all associated benefits) you want.

You also have the flexibility to combine 520 with another upper-level course(s) of your choice. (See pp. 94-95 for *Psychology, Economics, College and Career Planning* and *What Good Is Christianity?*; p. 112 for Science and p. 122 for Math options.)



WITH HISTORY 500 YOU RECEIVE

Instructor's Guide

Your History and Bible 520 course includes both a Parent Guide and a Student Guide. This format allows your learners to study independently, but also supports accountability. As your students work through the topics and questions in their guide, you can easily walk alongside, accessing answers, notes and other helpful tools that let you monitor their understanding and progress, discuss issues and become involved to the extent desired.

Your IGs also include more than 30 supplementary articles on wide-ranging subjects, from Taoism to technology. These contain additional insights to help you successfully address challenging topics that are introduced.

To see how the Instructor's Guides can make the learning and teaching process more enjoyable and effective, request a free sample that takes you through the first three weeks at www.sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

History

Your primary texts for the history portion of this course are *Streams of Civilization, Volumes 1 and 2*. The first covers ancient history through the early 16th century. The second continues the story, accompanying learners through the beginning of the 21st century. Through it all, Christian authors offer a presentation of world history that strives for balance and objectivity and also seeks to remedy perceived deficiencies in common secular accounts.

As your students journey through time, they will unearth fascinating discoveries across a spectrum of key topics, such as:

- How it all began: men, monkeys and missing links
- The dawn of civilizations and rise of kingdoms

- The darkening of the Western mind
- Evolutionary optimism and Romanticism
- Conflict between secular culture and the Church
- Much more!

As your students view the flow of human history and accompanying worldviews from a God-infused perspective, they are invited to see a divine plan and purpose through all of time, and to realize their unique place in it.

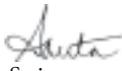
Bible and Worldview

Four books by Christian writers aid your students in worldview understanding. These provide the cornerstone of study for the Bible portion of this course:

- *The Universe Next Door: a Basic Worldview Catalog*
- *Total Truth: Liberating Christianity from Its Cultural Captivity*
- *Philosophy Made Slightly Less Difficult: a Beginner's Guide to Life's Big Questions*
- *Good Ideas from Questionable Christians and Outright Pagans: An Introduction to Key Thinkers and Philosophers*

As they develop a discerning approach to the Bible and worldviews, grow in spiritual maturity and flesh out their personal beliefs under your watchful care, your students will be deeply rooted, prepared to make a positive difference in God's kingdom.



Blessings to you and yours,

 Sarita

Core 500 provides options

A Sonlight high school Core typically combines two 36-week courses: History and Literature. To customize, select any *History 100-300, Government 400 AND Economics*, or *History 500* course. Combine with any *Literature 100-400* course to build the Core that meets your student's interests and academic goals.

All Core benefits apply to the Core that you create (see pp. 24-25).

PRACTICAL HELP FOR HOMESCHOOLERS

sonlight.com/homeschool-101



Your History and Bible Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/520-MD

World History and Worldview Studies		520-MD	\$209.95
Instructor's Guide 520		520-IG	(\$70.98 if ordered separately)
Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.			
History 520 Parent Guide <small>New</small>	520-PG	History 520 Student Guide <small>New</small>	520-SG
History 520			
Streams of Civilization, Vol. 1 <small>New</small>	520-01	Streams of Civilization, Vol. 2 <small>New</small>	520-02
Bible 510		510-00	
The Universe Next Door	510-02	Good Ideas from Questionable Christians and Outright Pagans <small>New</small>	510-04
Total Truth <small>New</small>	510-01	Philosophy Made Slightly Less Difficult <small>New</small>	510-03

"Our favorite reason for using Sonlight is that the books bring history and science to life for our kids," writes Lisa W of Roanoke, VA. "Here, Levi is proudly showing off his radish plants for the *Tops Green Thumb Radishes* experiment. Each day of the experiment, he eagerly checked his plants and begged to do science first. Sonlight has instilled a love for learning in our family." Levi (9) is using Core D in his fourth year of Sonlight. His older brother Joshua (15) is studying Core 300, and their sister Sarah (20) is a homeschool graduate. She used Sonlight for 6 years and now recommends Sonlight to other homeschoolers.



Students can earn college credit!

British Literature 530 prepares students to take the AP* exam. Colleges often award credit to students who do well on the test.

The AP* English Literature exam requires students to understand literary terms, analyze poetry, know a few literary works in depth and write compelling literary analysis. This course specifically equips them in all these skills. For additional help we recommend *Cracking the AP English Literature Exam* (see p. 133).

Combine 530 with other courses

Although the 36-week British Literature course is a robust program on its own, you may choose to combine it with another upper-level course of your choice. (See pp. 94-95 for *Psychology, Economics, College & Career Planning* and *What Good is Christianity*, p. 112 for science and p. 122 for math options).

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“We have used Sonlight Curriculum for a decade!” writes Katie A of American Canyon, CA. “We love the great literature, flexible structure, and opportunity for all our girls to grow in their unique abilities. We save each Core for our youngest and when she completes it, we have a family gathering and review each book and decide which books need to stay on as part of our permanent family library. Our library is growing with fantastic literature that also has beautiful family memories attached to each book.” Katie says that homeschooling has allowed their family bonds to flourish. This photo is a glimpse into 17-year-old Elizabeth’s relationship with her dad. Elizabeth is graduating this year as she finishes British Literature 530.

WITH LITERATURE 530 YOU RECEIVE

Instructor’s Guide

Self-directed instruction empowers your students to independently follow their Student Guide each day. Stay in tune and check their progress with your corresponding Parent Guide that includes answers and extra notes.

Request the first three weeks of the guides for free at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

British Literature

Includes 24 masterpieces woven together into a cohesive study, for a literature-rich year of learning.

Poetry / Vocabulary

Practical tools give students the keys to unlock verse and boost their vocabulary.

Language Arts

Comprehensive instruction helps students write college-level academic and creative compositions.

Solid preparation for the years ahead

May your students enjoy these beautiful and thought-provoking works as they prepare for life beyond high school!



Blessings to you and yours,

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Your British Literature Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/530-MD

British Literature

530-MD

Retail \$515.03!
\$449
You save \$66.03!

Instructor’s Guide 530

530-IG (\$109.98 if ordered separately)

Complete lesson plans, schedule and teaching notes for the entire year.

Literature 530 Parent Guide	530-PG	Literature 530 Student Guide	530-SG
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British Literature 530

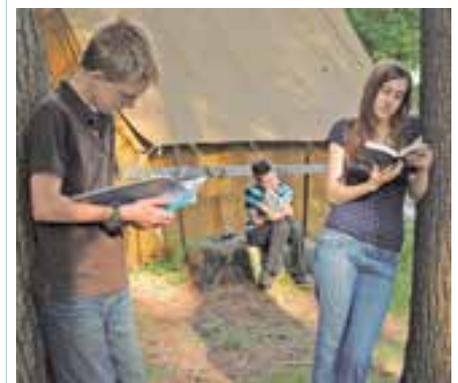
The Adventures & The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes	530-10	The Great Divorce	530-31	Right Ho, Jeeves	530-58
Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland & Through the Looking-Glass	530-13	Gulliver’s Travels	530-34	The Rime of the Ancient Mariner	530-61
Beowulf	530-16	Hamlet	530-37	The Secret Sharer & Other Stories	530-64
Canterbury Quintet	530-19	The Importance of Being Earnest	530-40	A Severe Mercy	530-67
Dubliners	530-22	Lord of the Flies	530-43	Sir Gawain and the Green Knight	530-70
Emma	530-25	Paradise Lost	530-46	A Tale of Two Cities	530-76
Frankenstein	530-28	A Passage to India	530-49	Three Men in a Boat	530-79
		Peter Pan	530-52	Wuthering Heights	530-85
		Pygmalion	530-55		

Poetry / Vocabulary

Sound and Sense	530-73	Sound and Sense Answer Key	530-02	Word Power Made Easy Consumable	530-82
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Language Arts 530 (See p. 100)

Included in your Literature 530 Instructor’s Guide.



“If you don’t use Sonlight, what are you waiting for?” writes Cheryl C of Fruitport, MI. “Our kids were in school for a few years, and I couldn’t think of a better program than Sonlight to bring us back together as a learning family unit. Reading and spending time together strengthens the bond we have and takes us on grand adventures together.” Here, Seth (12, Core F), Zackary (14, Core F) and Morgaine (16, British Literature 530) read on a family trip.



Economics



Demystify the world of Economics. Get your high-schoolers ready for college placement or AP* exams. Give them a balanced, critical view of modern Economics, from basic theory to politics and trade. And let them see God's perspective on our modern-day theories and values.

Central to our course is a quality online program from Thinkwell. Your professor is Steven Tomlinson (Ph.D., Stanford University).

Equip one student for a year (additional subscription needed for each additional student).

Includes:

Engaging multimedia: 262 online video lectures filled with animations, examples and humor. Students report learning more easily with this approach than with traditional textbooks.

Concise, illustrated notes, a glossary, transcript of every video – even relevant web links. Print as you need, or view it all online.

Rigorous exercises (graded for you): Students enter answers in the computer and get their *grade automatically* – complete with solutions, fully worked-out and explained.

Students read relevant Bible passages each day, and answer thought-provoking questions in a personal journal. We include two powerful books: a biblical study and a delightful “economic romance.”

Your high-schoolers learn great habits, like taking better notes, whether required (as in most U.S. schools) or as an elective, they can see Economics in an exciting new way. Included in Core 400 (see p.87)

Instructor Guides include two complete lesson plans – one for general and a more intensive track for helping students for AP* exams. The 5-day schedule maps out the entire 18-week course, packed with teaching questions (and answers), and more.

Find out more about Sonlight® Economics at sonlight.com/570-00.



“Sonlight has made a fun, challenging education possible for our children, without creating much additional work for their mother,” writes Jennifer G of Taylorsville, KY. “We couldn’t have successfully gotten this far without the great curriculum, wonderful books, and helpful teacher’s manual that Sonlight provided. If I had to pick my favorite things about Sonlight, they would be the wonderful literature, the fact that planning and prep work are already done for me, the in-depth look at history, and the complete flexibility.” Here, the G family poses on a family trip to the Badlands. This year, Beren (9) is using Core E as Helena (12) studies Core 100. After thirteen years of Sonlight, Zach (18) has graduated and is on to Ohio State University to study entomology.

“What Good Is Christianity?” is an excellent apologetics program, and really goes well with the high school cores.”

– Heidi in V.A. Sept. 2013

Your Economics Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/570-00

Economics

Sonlight® Economics
Instructor’s Guide
(Schedule and Notes) 570-01

Thinkwell Economics
Internet Course 570-50
Invisible Heart 570-10

570-00

\$232.92

Money, Possessions
and Eternity RR110
Sonlight Personal Journal 570-40

Psychology



The Sonlight® Psychology package ties in the science of psychology with the art of understanding how people work.

Jeff Corson has been teaching Advanced Placement* Psychology since 1999 and has enjoyed not only seeing students grow, but has also seen them perform well above the national average (80-93%) in achieving college credit for the course.

Corson negates the perception that psychology is the domain of unbelievers and views it simply as the study of God’s workmanship. His workbook helps prepare students to maintain and strengthen their faith in a college/world environment where their beliefs may be challenged daily.

He hopes to not only enable students to prepare for the AP* Psych exam, but to reinforce their love for learning.

Corson suggests a timeline of August to April for students who want to take the national Advanced Placement* Psychology test in the U.S. in May.

Corson’s workbook uses a textbook that features history, facts, terms, real-world applications and a sprinkling of laugh-out-loud cartoons.

The Sonlight Psychology package also includes a study guide (Straub) so students can track their progress. This course is a great introduction to psychology for aspiring college students or anyone interested in human behavior and design.

Package includes a psychology text, study guide with tests and answer key, and the workbook/diary. Offers students a robust picture of the field of psychology (including a Christian perspective) as they prepare for the AP* Psych exam.

Your Psychology Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/590-00

Psychology

Psychology Ninth Edition
w/ Study Guide 590-10

Sonlight Psychology Interactive
Workbook and Diary 590-01

590-00

\$319.99

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College and Career Planning



Help your high schoolers map the life of their dreams.

Challenge your students to consider who God created them to be, and to strive for a life of purpose. Watch them discover their unique abilities as they learn how to get into the college or career of their choice.

We've tailored this toolkit just for homeschoolers, to help you every step of the way:

- Gain confidence in how best to present your students' homeschool achievements to college admissions counselors.
- Learn what colleges want to see in high school transcripts from homeschoolers.
- Streamline the college application process and uncover secrets to make higher education lighter on your pocketbook.
- Save time – keep your college search paperwork in one place.

Your kit shows the way, as you document your students' work, lead them to identify their gifts and talents, and explore a world of career choices. Steer your students through their college search and

keep their school-shopping organized with copyable forms and detailed insights from the books.

Along with the books included in your kit, Sonlight's 15-page guide helps you lead your students with confidence through high school and beyond. Take the journey in practical, manageable steps – as your students answer key self-discovery questions related to each chapter in both books in your kit.

Author of the guide, Kelly Lutman is an 18-year homeschool mom. Her aim is to give you a basic starting point for the college-bound high school track.

Discover more about the Sonlight® Career Planning Kit at: sonlight.com/career-planning.

Your College and Career Planning Course includes:

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College and Career Planning

580-00 \$65.44

College and Career Planning Guide	580-01	Finding the Career That Fits You	RR26	Homeschoolers' College Admissions Handbook	RR25
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What Good is Christianity?



Prepare your children to grapple with challenging ideas as you evaluate together the role of Christianity in society. Full of rich narratives and intriguing questions, this 18-week curriculum for upper-level high school students covers many subject areas including history, worldview, critical thinking and apologetics.

In an age where misinformation about Christianity and its influence abounds, the goal of *What Good is Christianity?* is to educate and equip students regarding the positive role and influence of Christianity in relation to a variety of topics and, in the process, respond to contemporary criticisms.

Students will examine topics like Christianity and Western culture, democracy, social justice, education, literature, the fine arts, science, the environment, atheism, charity, special challenges, women and slavery.

We want to help you raise children who are able to think for themselves, reasonably, as they weigh the claims they will encounter in daily life. Consequently, our goal in this curriculum is not to force-feed information, but to expose you and your children to a variety of ideas they are likely to encounter in their Christian walk, while at the same time providing relevant insights as your children wrestle with challenging ideas.

Seven carefully-selected resources (6 books and a DVD set) accompany your Instructor's Guide. Inside your IG alone you'll find a section on tips for classroom use, the schedule, notes, assignments, discussion questions, and four articles that address interpretation (hermeneutics), faith and science, warfare, and Christianity and women.



"Two children [who used Sonlight K-12] are graduating from college with honors – and one to go!" writes Lisa P of Thailand. "As international missionaries, we appreciate Sonlight's global perspective and adaptability to unconventional lifestyles." Here, 10-year-old Andy and his father enjoy learning by discovery and experience. Andy is using Core F in his fifth year of Sonlight.

Your What Good is Christianity? Course includes:

For full descriptions go to sonlight.com/560-00

What Good is Christianity?

560-00 \$178.81

What Good Is Christianity Instructor's Guide	560-01	Does God Exist? (DVD set)	560-08	What Has Christianity Ever Done for Us?	560-04
Art and the Bible	560-05	How Christianity Changed the World	560-02	What's So Great About Christianity?	560-07
Christianity On Trial	560-03	The Victory of Reason	560-06		

You know you're a homeschooler when ... everyone has an opinion about which classical piece you'll listen to in the car.



Required and Recommended Resources for Your Core



History

A Child's History of the World CH07 \$33.00
Hillyer. The 1997 hardback edition of the famous classic by the headmaster of the Calvert School of Baltimore. Hillyer presents a delightful narrative history of the world from "the beginning" to the mid-1990s. A warm, grandfatherly telling of a real story. | Hb. | Included in Cores B and B+C. | **Required** in Cores C and W.

Children's Encyclopedia of American History DH21 \$29.99

A groundbreaking guide to American history, this reference book explains events, moments, trends, patterns and people in concise articles designed to appeal to children ages 8 and up. Features more than 750 photos and artworks, plus extensive maps, charts, a state-by-state review, the complete texts of the Declaration of Independence and U.S. Constitution, and much more. Included in Cores D and D+E | **Required** in Core E.

How to Read Church History 260-45 \$47.90

These volumes present one of the most balanced pictures of Western (Roman/ Protestant) church history you will find. Includes translations of brief passages from key original documents. Volume 1 covers up to the Reformation; Volume 2, Reformation till today. | Pb. | illus | @ 5+ | U 8+ | Recommended resource scheduled in Core 200.

- Volume 1 260-46 \$22.95
- Volume 2 260-47 \$24.95

The Landmark History of the American People, Volume 1 DH10 \$24.99

Boorstin. A fascinating introduction to American culture as it has shaped and been shaped by events from the Pilgrims to the mid-1800s. Written by the former Librarian of Congress. Full color edition, completely revised for readability. Now includes timelines, maps and more than twice the illustrations. | Oversize Pb. | @ 3+ | U 6+ | Included in Core D and D+E.

The Landmark History of the American People, Volume 2 EH12 \$24.99

Boorstin. A fascinating introduction to American culture as it has shaped and been shaped by events from the Civil War to the late 20th Century. Written by the former Librarian of Congress. Full color edition, completely revised for readability. Now includes timelines, maps and more than twice the illustrations. | Oversize Pb. | @ 3+ | U 6+ | Included in Core D+E and E.

The Timeline Book RR120 \$25.99

Formerly called Book of Time. Spiral-bound timeline ready for you to add dates throughout your home-school adventure. Two-color paper to easily distinguish between BC and AD time periods. Includes pockets for assignments or notes. May be shared. 8½" x 11", Pb., heavy-gauge paper. | **Required** in Cores A-300.

The Usborne Book of World History CH02 \$24.99

Millard & Vanags. The history of the world to 1914. Includes cultural developments, discoveries, and world religions as well as political and military history. Indigenous peoples are portrayed realistically (i.e., not clothed according to Western standards). Scintillating text, beautiful illustrations. Hb. | Included in Cores B and B+C. | **Required** in Core C.

Usborne Encyclopedia 12,000 Years of World History GH07 \$19.99

Usborne. Depicts key historical figures, plus the battles, revolutions, inventions, and discoveries that have shaped today's world. Includes an 8-page timeline section, extensive glossary and index. | Full-color, illus throughout | Pb. | @ 3+ | U 5+ | Included in Core G. | **Required** in Cores H and W.

The Usborne Time Traveler BH01 \$22.99

Usborne. Visit Ancient Egypt, Rome, medieval Europe and Viking days. Colorful, detail-packed illustrations teach about family life and cultural achievements. Humorous and imaginative. | Hb. | @ K-6 | U 3-6 | Included in Core B. | **Required** in Core C.

Geography

Markable Map and Markers MAP \$27.98

Hang this 23" x 34", full-color Modified Robinson Projection map on a wall for easy reference, or fold flat (smaller than 12" x 12") and take it with you. Laminated surface lets you mark your map with grease pencils or water-based markers.

Includes a four-color set of fine-tip water-based markers! | **Required** in Cores A-H and W.

- Markable Map (Only) MAP1 \$19.99
- Markers (Only) MAP2 \$7.99

Audio Memory® Geography Songs Kit CH06 \$22.95

Troxel. Award-winning kit includes 62-minute CD with 23 songs; consumable workbook with lyrics, illustrations, tests, 23 maps to label and color; and a 25" x 36" world wall map with memorization keys. | Included in Cores B+C and C.

Audio Memory® States & Capitals Songs CD Kit RR61 \$12.95

Bible

In addition to the engaging Bible materials in your Core Package, consider these additional resources to study the Bible with your family.

What the Bible is All About Resources: Reproducible Maps, Charts, TimeLines & Illustrations RR75 \$24.99

Gospel Light. This book is designed to help you "see" what's happening-and where it's happening-as you read the Bible. It includes overview timelines for the bible as a whole and for each book; detailed maps; purpose/theme statements for each book; key verses; lists of main people; drawings of all the key archeological sites, temples, etc ... A wonderful tool for Bible students of all ages. | Oversize Pb. | Reproducible.

BibleMesh: The Biblical Story Course 560-BM01 \$39.99

Keller & the BibleMesh team. Want a challenging Bible course for you or your high schooler? Pastor Tim Keller anchors this interactive web-based Bible course that helps students discover the Biblical story. Through self-paced lessons, videos, in-depth content, quizzes and more, students gain a rich understanding of the Bible. BibleMesh presents the story of God's redemptive acts as a single narrative from Genesis to Revelation. You receive a one-year subscription to the BibleMesh site with the course and all contents. A free trial available, group subscriptions and more details at sonlight.com/bible-mesh.

Seeds Family Worship CDs

Seeds Family Worship CDs combine Scripture-based lyrics with catchy tunes your whole family will love to sing! Each song offers children (and adults, too!) an entertaining way to memorize one or more Bible verses. BONUS: Buy one and you'll receive a second free CD of the same title to give away!

- Vol. 1 Seeds of Courage RR123 \$12.98
- Vol. 2 Seeds of Faith RR124 \$12.98
- Vol. 3 Seeds of Praise RR125 \$12.98
- Vol. 4 Seeds of Purpose RR126 \$12.98
- Vol. 5 Power of Encouragement RR127 \$12.98
- Vol. 6 Seeds of Character RR128 \$12.98

"Sonlight is the perfect curriculum for teaching our children in a way that focuses on Christ."

— Jessica Z, July 2013



Embrace Scripture with Sonlight's Bible Programs (Included in each Core program.)



God's Word is "a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path" (Psalm 119:105). Help your children know and love Scripture through Sonlight's simple and effective approach to teaching Bible.

Every Core, Language Arts and Science package reflects a Christian worldview, and you'll find references to Scripture and Biblical ideas throughout your studies.

Furthermore, each Core includes a Bible study program. The goal of these programs is to help you and your children read, memorize and talk about Scripture so that God's word becomes woven into the fabric of your lives.

Engage with the Bible

The first step to knowing and loving Scripture is to *read* Scripture. That's why each Sonlight Core includes a disciplined but doable schedule of Scripture reading that helps you spend time in God's Word every day. For Cores B through G, notes in your Instructor's Guide help you see the big picture of these readings and discuss them with your children. By the time they graduate, your kids will have read most of the Bible several times through.

Students will move beyond reading and hide God's Word in their hearts with a weekly memory passage. Cores A to G include a delightful CD that sets each week's memory work to fun music. Your children just might amaze you with what they can memorize through song!

Kid-friendly study books help your children dive further into the Bible and engage with it at an age-appropriate level. These books help your children learn about the Bible, help you talk about the Bible with your kids, and help them learn to apply Scripture to their own lives.

Give your children worthy heroes and a heart for the world

But that's not all. Sonlight wants to help you raise kids who share God's heart for the world. That's why our Bible programs encourage your family to pray for and serve others. Read fascinating books and resources about people who have never even heard the name of Jesus and help your kids learn to pray for them.

Be amazed as you learn about how God is working around the world. Read about that work through exciting biographies of missionaries and courageous Christians worldwide. These stories have inspired many children to live for God. Your kids will meet worthy Christian heroes they can admire and emulate.

Go deeper from Pre-K to high school

From ages 3 to 18, Sonlight's Bible programs are designed to help your children grasp foundational truths and gain skills for lifelong study of the Bible. Here's the general progression of our Bible programs:

Discover (Cores P3/4, P4/5 and A): Discover Jesus' love and the wonder of God's word through colorful Bible stories. Connect these stories with the overarching theme God shares in the Bible: that He cares about us personally and sent His Son Jesus to be our Savior.

Read (Cores B-F): Read through most of the Bible and discover God's heart for the nations. Explore how to pray for and serve others. Your students gradually learn to read the Bible on their own.

Survey (Core G and W): Trace the story of God's redeeming love as you examine and overview the entire Bible. Study intriguing biblical culture, geography and archeology to better grasp the big-picture storyline.

Apply (Cores H and 100): Learn techniques for studying the Bible in-depth. Focus on life application and Christian living. Gain preparation for the challenges of high school and beyond.

Discern (Cores 200-400): Students learn to defend their faith biblically as they delve into apologetics and organized doctrinal studies. They focus on practical application of Scripture and serious study of worldviews. Students prepare to stand strong in their faith when tested outside the home, and to enjoy their faith in a world that seems to hold less and less regard for Christ followers.

All along the way from Pre-K to graduation, students are reminded of the deep love Christ has for them personally and for all within His creation.

Raise kids who love Scripture and have a solid foundation for life

Your Sonlight adventure weaves the Bible into your everyday learning, so your kids grow up hearing, memorizing and treasuring God's Word in their lives. God says His Word does not return empty, but accomplishes what He intends (cf. Isaiah 55:11). So let's continue to soak up Scripture! We love helping you do that with your children.

"It's such a blessing to use Sonlight because of the strong biblical foundation it helps us form in our children."
— Rebecca W, June 2013



"Sonlight Bible study materials have been a great help in illuminating the treasures in God's Word," writes Heather B of Grand Blanc, MI. "We love that God's Word is at the heart of all Sonlight curricula. Although we tried a couple of other options, none were as effective in shaping wise and knowledgeable children of God and citizens of society. We're so convinced of this that we're planning to use Sonlight for the high school years ahead." Here, Dad and his favorite students dig into the Word with the help of Sonlight. Hannah (14) and Micah (12) are using Core 100 in their seventh Sonlight year.



"I am thrilled that Sonlight has so many Biblical teaching tools available," writes Jennifer O of El Paso, TX. "Incorporating the Bible into our everyday routine was a must. I feel so blessed to have quality time with my children. Even our 20-month-old, Sophia, loves to listen to the Read-Alouds. Homeschooling with Sonlight has been a wonderful experience!" In their first year of Sonlight, Chance (8) and Hunter (6) share Core C and Science C. Here, they soak up real-world learning as they examine caterpillars making cocoons.



“Our son has made amazing strides in his reading!” writes Heather H of Sahuarita, AZ. “At the end of kindergarten, he was barely able to sound out three-letter words. Just four weeks later, he’s able to easily read stories from the *I Can Read* book. The Sonlight curriculum is very easy to use, even for a novice homeschooler. It provides structure, while allowing flexibility to adapt to our son. I love that it has a Christian perspective, but also promotes discussion about topics such as the age of Earth, and what different cultures across the ages believed about gods.” Here, Christian (age 6, Core A) reads to siblings Carina (4) and Nathan (2).



Be a grammar ace with **Grammar Ace**
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What about handwriting?

Dr. Beechick argues that once handwriting basics are mastered, usually by 3rd grade, students should practice handwriting in the process of writing. Sonlight Language Arts programs follow her advice. We offer separate handwriting materials (see p. 103) and post optional schedules online, so you have these tools when your students need them. They can refine their handwriting in Grade 4 and up through their Language Arts assignments.

“I love how Sonlight Readers work into the Language Arts program. It makes life easier when reading and all work is incorporated together.”
— Susan R, June 2013

Help your children become excellent writers

When your children were young, you taught them to speak as you spoke to them. In the same vein, children learn to write by learning from good models of writing—and trying out those models for themselves. We call this the “natural” approach to Language Arts.

Sonlight Language Arts programs flow from this principle. Each program guides your children through well-paced writing activities based on the Readers they’re already enjoying in their Core program. As your children grow, these activities will guide them through writing their first sentences, simple paragraphs and stories until they’re eventually writing gripping creative works and compelling scholarly papers.

Learn to write naturally – from excellent models

“Workbooks don’t really teach children how to write effectively,” says Dr. Ruth Beechick, homeschool expert and author of *The Three R’s* (Sonlight item KL01). Instead, students best learn to write well as they:

- **Listen** to good writing,
- **Look** at good writing,
- **Copy** good writing, and
- Then, finally, **write on their own!**

“Benjamin Franklin taught himself to write this way,” explains Dr. Beechick. He outlined essays he admired, put them aside for a few days, and later tried an original article by following his outline. “He compared his writing with the model to see where he fell short. Then he tried another, improving his writing all the while.”

With Sonlight’s Language Arts, your students will practice natural learning exercises like these. And practice is the key ...

Students write a little every day.

Writing lessons come from the books your children read throughout the year. As a result, they remember and comprehend more and more.

Their creative writing lessons apply Dr. Beechick’s “natural method”:

- Students practice **copywork** and **dictation** to absorb critical writing skills from the “masters.”
- They learn **writing mechanics**—from similes to diction to organization—as they build on each day’s practice.
- They explore **creative writing** with tools like zany story-starter pictures and journals.
- They also **write about what they learn** in history, science and literature.
- An optional fifth day offers students a chance to **play with the written word** as they try fun exercises from puzzles to palindromes.

Watch your children’s writing skills blossom!

Students encounter spelling words tied to phonics principles in Sonlight® Language Arts (LA) up through second grade. In upper elementary grades, they continue to build vocabulary with words from their books. Meanwhile, they reinforce correct spelling through the highly effective Sequential Spelling program (p. 102).

In Core D, your children make a smooth transition from the basic mechanics of writing to more in-depth independent writing.

In Cores E-G, young writers learn to do research, draft a wide variety of papers and edit their work. Writing assignments range from personal letters and stories to advertisements and news items.

In every assignment, you’ll find plenty of examples to follow from the books your students read. These are the “good models” your children learn to emulate. In time, they grow from these examples and ...

Discover what makes great writing truly great.

As your students grow in understanding, they move from basic writing to analysis.

Students in middle school through high school continue to write creative papers similar to their work in Cores E-G, but at a higher level. They also analyze and write about the books they read, delving into plot, characterization, mood, setting and more.

New and experienced Sonlighters alike will find these “natural method” Language Arts programs a fresh and appealing way to learn to write well.

Sonlight® Grammar

Establish a solid foundation for effective writing with Sonlight’s unique approach to grammar. Sonlight introduces key grammar “gems” gradually, in the context of your children’s daily reading and writing within the Sonlight Language Arts program.

Grammar Ace

For a strong grammar foundation, we encourage students in (approximately) fourth grade to take advantage of the complete grammar program we offer in a pace-yourself course. See p. 100 to learn more about Grammar Ace.

Grammar 5 and 6

For additional grammar study, Grammar 5 and 6 build on the concepts of Grammar Ace and offer fun exercises and practice to solidify your students’ grammar knowledge. See p. 100.

Need a writing coach for research papers? See p. 100.



Cores A-C receive the Readers with Language Arts program of your choice.

Using Cores A-C? Learn about *Readers & Language Arts* programs and optional resources here. You may also buy the appropriate level for each additional student you're teaching with the same Core. Visit sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to find the right level for each child.

Grade K Readers with Language Arts K

Ages 5 | 6 | 7 KRP \$87.20

Perfect for children ready to learn the alphabet. Introduces each letter and the primary sound(s) it makes, and gets the creative juices flowing with simple writing activities (with you as your child's scribe).

Features the Sonlight-exclusive *Fun Tales* - a sequence of 27 booklets that help kids start reading as soon as possible. The first story uses only six simple sounds; the last uses all 26 letters.

The included Instructor's Guide (IG) gives you all the tools you need: schedule, lesson plans, Activity Sheets, teaching tips and more. Just follow the guide to teach reading, phonics, spelling, copywork and creative expression. Your guide also schedules the optional resources below.

Head to sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to see if this is the right level for your child. Request a sample of the IG at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

See p. 34 for the titles in this package. For descriptions or to order individual items, visit sonlight.com/LA-K.

Optional Resources (See p. 101)

- Sound Cards** RL20 \$5.99
- Explode the Code A, B, C** KL03 \$24.90
Consumable
- Explode the Code A, B, C Teacher's Guide** KL034 \$10.65
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable KLG1 \$16.99

Grade 1 Readers with Language Arts 1

Ages 6 | 7 | 8 1RP \$157.55

Designed for children who have just begun to master three-letter short-vowel words. Helps them move to advanced short words and short chapter books. With your help, children will "write" their first short stories!

Features books written at a first grade reading level, including Dr. Seuss' unforgettable *Green Eggs and Ham* and the Sonlight-exclusive *I Can Read It!* series.

The Instructor's Guide (IG) gives you the tools you need: schedule, lesson plans, discussion questions, Activity Sheets, teaching tips and more. Just follow the guide to teach reading, phonics, spelling, copywork, creative expression and writing mechanics. Your guide also schedules the optional resources below.

Head to sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to see if this is the right level for your child. Request an IG sample at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

See p. 38 for the titles in this package. For descriptions or to order individual items, visit sonlight.com/LA-1.

Optional Resources (See p. 101)

- Explode the Code 1, 2, 3** 1L02 \$28.20
Consumable
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable 1LG1 \$13.99

Grade 2 Readers with Language Arts 2

Ages 7 | 8 | 9 2RP \$127.81

Created for children who can decode most words but are still working toward proficiency in reading. Helps children learn to organize their thoughts, construct basic sentences and write simple paragraphs. You will likely serve as their scribe for writing exercises.

Features books at a second-grade reading level, including beloved stories about Amelia Bedelia and Frog and Toad. Also includes *The Beginner's Bible* - a favorite that gives kids a great sense of accomplishment.

The Instructor's Guide (IG) gives you the tools you need: schedule, lesson plans, discussion questions, Activity Sheets, teaching tips and more. Just follow the guide to teach reading, phonics, spelling, copywork, creative expression and writing mechanics. Your guide also schedules the optional resources below.

Head to sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to see if this is the right level for your child. Request an IG sample at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

See p. 42 for the titles in this package. For descriptions or to order individual items, visit sonlight.com/LA-2.

Optional Resources (See p. 101)

- Explode the Code 4, 5, 6** 2L07 \$28.20
- Wordly Wise Book A** 2L10 \$10.00
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable 2LG1 \$12.99

Grade 3 Readers with Language Arts 3

Ages 7 | 8 | 9 3RP \$159.71

Ideal for students who need more advanced reading practice than easy reader books provide. The unique Diamond Notes method guides you step-by-step through the process of teaching your children to write winning paragraphs.

Features books at a third-grade reading level with controlled vocabulary, multiple illustrations, compelling stories and short chapters to encourage reading. Children enjoy detective stories, thrilling historical fiction and heartwarming adventures.

The Instructor's Guide (IG) provides the tools you need: schedule, lesson plans, discussion questions, Activity Sheets, teaching tips and more. Just follow the guide to teach spelling, copywork, writing mechanics, paragraph construction and creative expression. Your guide also schedules the optional resources to the right.

Head to sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to see if this is the right level for your child. Request an IG sample at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

See p. 42 for the titles in this package. For descriptions or to order individual items, visit sonlight.com/LA-3.

Optional Resources (See p. 101)

- MCP Phonics Level C** 2L19 \$16.99
- Wordly Wise Book B** 2L05 \$10.00
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable 3LG1 \$12.99

Grade 4-5 Readers with Language Arts 4-5

Ages 7 | 8 | 9 4RP \$183.17

Excellent for students able to read anything you hand them, but whom you'd like to protect from the grittier "realities of life" that more advanced books often deal with. Helps you guide students to write paragraphs with more independence. You may still want to serve as their scribe on more challenging assignments.

Features books at fourth and fifth grade reading levels, but with content gentle enough for young readers. Your children will adventure in the Wild West, travel with Marco Polo to the far East, and continue to develop a love of books and reading.

The Instructor's Guide (IG) provides the tools you need: schedule, lesson plans, discussion questions, Activity Sheets, teaching tips and more. Just follow the guide to teach spelling, copywork, writing mechanics, paragraph construction and creative expression. Your guide also schedules the optional resources below.

Head to sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment to see if this is the right level for your child. Request an IG sample at sonlight.com/3-week-samples.

See p. 42 for the titles in this package. For descriptions or to order individual items, visit sonlight.com/LA-4-5.

Optional Resources (See p. 101)

- MCP Word Study D - Plaid** 3L18 \$17.99
- Wordly Wise Book C** 3L01 \$10.00
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable 4LG1 \$12.99

For Cores D and higher, your full Readers and Language Arts program is already integrated into your Core.

An example of what to choose: To use Core A with two kids, you might choose *Core A with Grade K Readers with LA K* and buy *Grade 2 Readers with LA 2* separately, so each child has a program at his/her ability level.

"Emalee learned to read using Sonlight Core P4/5 and Language Arts K. She absolutely loves to read."
— Tammy W., Aug. 2013



"We love Sonlight's Language Arts K program!" writes Lisa M of Little Elm, TX. "It is more than just writing letters. It incorporates different hands-on activities as well as critical thinking exercises that have opened a new world for my daughter. She has come to love writing, learning about sentence structure, vowels and consonants, and pushing her writing creativity to new levels when creating her stories. Isabella's reading has also grown throughout the year as she started with book one of *Fun Tales* and moved through the entire series." In her second year of Sonlight, 5-year-old Isabella has fun with the vowel activity worksheets in Language Arts K. Here, she cuts and pastes the letters to see what words she can create next.



"Sonlight's Language Arts programs are so versatile," writes Elizabeth G of Greer, SC. "This year is the third time through Language Arts 1 for our family, and I have been able to tailor the program to meet the needs of each individual child. If one child needs more work with a certain concept, there are plenty of extra activities in the Instructor's Guide that I can choose from to reinforce that concept. But if they catch on quickly, I have the option of leaving out the extra activities. We also love Sonlight's choices for Readers. The books in Language Arts 1 are familiar favorites that the little ones often pull off the shelf for Mommy to read." Here, Katie (7) reads to Mom as Meghan (3) and Karson (2) eagerly join in for the story.

Resources for Your Language Arts Program



Grammar

- Grammar Ace Package with DVD** RL6 \$44.97
Includes *The Grammar Ace Set*: Instructional Manual (schedule, examples, answers and teaching helps) and Workbook plus Schoolhouse Rock DVD (the Grammar Rock portion is scheduled throughout the manual). One program designed to start anywhere during grades 4-8 and cover all the grammar your student will need. Set your own pace—take a few months, or a couple years. This package includes the two items below. | Grades 4-8
- The Grammar Ace** RL66 \$24.98
Bolin. All the practical grammar your student needs, in one set-your-own-pace program. Includes consumable workbook. For grades 4-8.
- The Grammar Ace Workbook** Consumable RL662 \$9.99
For additional students.
- Schoolhouse Rock (DVD)** RL65 \$19.99
Sonlight's Grammar Ace program uses some of the best songs in the collection to help kids learn adverbs, interjections, conjunctions, prepositions and more. 2 DVDs (formatted for Region 1: US and Canada only).
- Grammar 5** 5L15 \$29.98
Provides logical, straightforward grammar instruction and practice. Perfect for students who have completed Grammar Ace or already have a working knowledge of grammatical terms (e.g., appositive and participial phrase). The self-directed lessons present, guide and review crucial concepts modeled in great passages of literature. Offers ample practice to master the tools students need to improve their writing and succeed on standardized tests. A pre-requisite for *Grammar 6*.
- Grammar 5 Answer Guide** 5L151 \$14.99
- Grammar 5 Activity Sheets** 5L152 \$14.99
Consumable
- Grammar 6** 6L15 \$29.98
Perfect for students who have completed *Grammar 5*. With straightforward instruction, students dissect great passages from successful authors to study grammatical structure and form. *Grammar 6* contains plenty of practice to give your children a solid grammatical foundation, which aids in writing skills and standardized test prep.
- Grammar 6 Answer Guide** 6L151 \$14.99
- Grammar 6 Activity Sheets** 6L152 \$14.99
Consumable
- Winston Grammar (Basic)** 4L09 \$42.00
For grades 4-12. Includes Instruction Guide, Workbook & Card Pack. Description at sonlight.com/4L09.
- Second Student Pack** 4L094 \$18.00
- Workbook** Consumable 4L095 \$11.00
- Card Pack** 4L096 \$7.50
- Winston Grammar (Adv)**
Find description at sonlight.com/7L20.



Composition

- Writers INC** RL04 \$32.99
Sebranek, Kemper, and Meyer. This is one of those books of which no student should be deprived. It includes all the "how-to" information that every writer ever wished he had: a complete guide to the writing process ... from pre-writing to drafting to revising; the basic elements of writing: sentences, paragraphs, expository essays, persuasive essays; literary genres: stories, plays, poems, persuasive and argumentative essays; style; grammar; documentation, and much more. Latest Edition (2006). | Pb. | Grades 3-12
- Diamond Notes** RL67 \$8.99
This effective and enjoyable creative writing program helps your students conquer fear of the blank page. With gentle, practical step-by-step guidance, they learn to organize their thoughts and express themselves clearly on paper. *Included in LA 3 Instructor's Guide.*
- Research Paper Packet** RL61 \$6.99
Holzmann & Ballard. The Research Paper Packet includes every last detail your children will need to know to research for and write a solid research or position paper. Completely updated in 2012.
Note: This item is included in the Core Instructor's Guides for levels D+E-530 | 📖
- Writing Coach: "Pay per Paper" Program**
Do you struggle to evaluate your children's writing objectively, to give them quality feedback? Could you simply use a break from hours of reading and editing? Let Sonlight connect you with an experienced writing coach, one paper at a time:

"I watched our daughter go from a struggling writer to someone who is confident in her writing abilities with the Write At Home program. Now she writes with maturity and clarity. I appreciate that she has to meet deadlines imposed outside of home, but they are reasonable and not overwhelming. The structure of the program keeps our daughter writing consistently and she enjoys the outside encouragement. The writing coach feedback is so helpful and specific. I hope we are able to use Write At Home all the way through each of our children's home education."

- Wendy P, March 2010

Each coach is equipped (and familiar) with our Language Arts programs, ready to help your students develop greater technique, creativity and confidence. View coaching feedback samples and learn details on this "Pay per Paper" program, including a money-saving "family membership" option, on our website at sonlight.com/writeathome.



Inspiration® Software RL10 \$49.99
Recommended for students using our Core 100 and above.

Inspiration is a thought processor. It helps you generate ideas and then organize your thoughts for effective analysis, planning, writing and more.

While *Inspiration* is beneficial for anyone age 12 or older, it will particularly benefit children who find it difficult to transition from concepts to actual writing. Where your children may have spent hours trying first, to get their ideas on paper, then to convert their thoughts to an essay or story, *Inspiration* will help them reduce that time to minutes.

Inspiration makes it easy to brainstorm and then, with one click of a button, they have an outline for a story, an essay or a simple research paper.

System Requirements: For more information and the requirements for both Windows and Mac, please go to: sonlight.com/RL10.

voh-kab Vocabulary

Vocabulary Vine RL07 \$11.99
 A spiral of Latin & Greek Roots. Hasseler. Unlock over 100,000 words with Latin and Greek word roots with Vocabulary Vine. Includes suggestions for twelve optional zero-preparation Learning Games to keep the program fun and fresh. | Grades 4-9

Wordly Wise

Students learn hundreds of new words while they build reading, writing, and thinking skills. As they read in context, apply meanings in different situations, and answer comprehension questions using complete sentences, they make these words their own.

These vocabulary building exercises are fun, even though they require thinking! Learn multiple definitions of words. | Pb. | Workbooks | Consumable | LA: Grades 2-12

Scheduled in Language Arts 2 Instructor's Guide

Book A Grade 2 2L10 \$10.00

Scheduled in Language Arts 3 Instructor's Guide

Book B Grade 3 2L05 \$10.00

Scheduled in Language Arts 4-5 Instructor's Guide

Book C Grades 4-5 3L01 \$10.00

Scheduled in Core D Instructor's Guide

Workbook 3000 Book 3 3L101 \$12.40
 Teacher's Key, Book 3 3L102 \$5.65

Scheduled in Core D+E and E Instructor's Guides

Workbook 3000 Book 4 4L101 \$12.40
 Teacher's Key, Book 4 4L102 \$5.65

Scheduled in Core F Instructor's Guide

Workbook 3000 Book 5 5L101 \$12.40
 Teacher's Key, Book 5 5L102 \$5.65

Scheduled in Core G and W Instructor's Guides

Workbook 3000 Book 6 6L101 \$12.40
 Teacher's Key, Book 6 6L102 \$5.65

Scheduled in Core H Instructor's Guide

Workbook 3000 Book 7 7L31 \$12.40
 Teacher's Key, Book 7 7L32 \$5.65

Scheduled in Core 100 Instructor's Guide

Workbook 3000 Book 8 140-36 \$12.40
 Teacher's Key, Book 8 140-37 \$5.65

Scheduled in Core 200 Instructor's Guide

Workbook 3000 Book 9 240-36 \$13.25
 Teacher's Key, Book 9 240-37 \$5.65

Scheduled in Core 300 Instructor's Guide

Workbook 3000 Book 10 340-36 \$13.25
 Teacher's Key, Book 10 340-37 \$5.65

These workbooks are not included in any Instructor's Guide.

Workbook 3000 Book 11 440-36 \$13.25
 Teacher's Key, Book 11 440-37 \$5.65
 Workbook 3000 Book 12 540-21 \$13.25
 Teacher's Key, Book 12 540-22 \$5.65

Vocabulary from Classical Roots

Fifer, Flowers. These books teach modern English words based on their Latin and Greek roots. By learning the roots, one learns much about the meanings of whole families of English words. Very helpful ... for life and the SAT tests! | Pb.

Scheduled in Core 200 Instructor's Guide

Workbook A Consumable 240-21 \$13.25
 Teacher's Manual, Book A 240-22 \$22.90
 Test Booklet A 240-23 \$5.85

Scheduled in Core 300 Instructor's Guide

Workbook B Consumable 340-21 \$13.25
 Teacher's Manual, Book B 340-22 \$22.90
 Test Booklet B 340-23 \$5.85

Phonics

Sound Cards RL20 \$5.99

The full color, sturdier version of the black and white Sound Cards included in our Language Arts K Instructor's Guide. The full color letters and fun animals that represent each letter's sound will grab your students imagination even better to encourage letter/word acquisition and comprehension.

Explode the Code

Explode the Code A, B, C Set KL030 \$35.55
 Scheduled in **KL.G**. Introduces all the consonants of the alphabet except the letter "x". Teacher's Guide expands on skills presented in student books and provides options for instruction and reinforcement. Each lesson addresses the principles of effective reading instruction and follows an easy-to-use format. | Pb. | 4 vols.

Book A: Get Ready Consumable KL031 \$8.30
 Book B: Get Set Consumable KL032 \$8.30
 Book C: Go Consumable KL033 \$8.30
 A, B, C, Teacher's Guide KL034 \$10.65

Explode the Code 1, 2, 3 1L02 \$28.20
 Scheduled in **1L.G**. Attractive workbooks illustrated by children teach phonetic and spelling rules. Exercises require thinking through the spelling process while lessons focus on specific phonics and spelling rules. Book 1 covers short vowels; Book 2 covers initial and

final consonant blends; Book 3 covers open syllables, silent "e" rule, digraphs. | Pb. | 3 vols.

Book 1 Consumable 1L51 \$9.40
 Book 2 Consumable 1L52 \$9.40
 Book 3 Consumable 1L53 \$9.40

Explode the Code 4, 5, 6 2L07 \$28.20
 Scheduled in **2L.G**. Book 4 deals with compound words, common suffixes, syllable divisions, open and closed syllables, and vowel digraphs; Book 5 covers -ed, -al, -ol, -ild, -ind, qu-, and -ey words, and three-consonant blends (thr-, shr-, str-, etc.). Book 6 covers -ar, -or, -er, -ir, -ur, wor-, war-, -igh, -oo, -ea, -ie, -oi, -ou, -au, -aw, -ew, -ui, and -ue words. | Pb. | 3 vols.

Book 4 Consumable 2L51 \$9.40
 Book 5 Consumable 2L52 \$9.40
 Book 6 Consumable 2L53 \$9.40

MCP Phonics Level C 2L19 \$16.99

Scheduled in **3L.G**. Attractive, engaging full-color workbook covers development of sentence and paragraph concepts, antonyms, homonyms, and homographs, reading comprehension skills, foundational writing skills and dictionary skills. Students will also learn vocabulary, study skills, concepts of print and alphabetic awareness. | Pb. | Full-color illustrations | Consumable

MCP Word Study D - Plaid 3L18 \$17.99

Scheduled in **4L.G**. Two-color workbook with exercises covering short and long vowels, hard and soft c and g; r, s, and h blends; vowel-r combinations; silent letters; suffixes, syllables, vowel pairs, digraphs, diphthongs; plurals, possessives, contractions; prefixes, roots; synonyms, antonyms, homophones, and dictionary skills. | Pb. | 2-color illustrations | Consumable

Spelling

All About Spelling

All About Spelling brings together the three pathways to learning: hearing, seeing, and touching. This multi-sensory approach, combined with a built-in review system and reinforcement activities, ensures students retain and apply what they learn.



"I'm so thankful for Sonlight's Language Arts guidance," writes Angela G of Galveston, IN. "We kept plugging away and I took faith in the tips and pointers (and Ruth Beechick's book). I won't forget the week everything seemed to brighten and I wasn't 'making' Zeke read anymore. He now says reading is his favorite!" Here, Zeke (7, Core C) and Amelia (4, Pre-Kindergarten Full-Grade) think little sister Isabella's hair looks like Ping from *Little Pear* [Core B].



If you are just beginning to teach your children spelling, want a program that appeals to a variety of learning styles, or if your children need remedial help, this customizable program could be an excellent fit. Step-by-step lessons (mastery-based, not grade-level based) build on one another in a sequence that has been carefully tested to produce long-term results.

Each level includes a teacher manual and student packet (need one per student). Features multisensory learning tools and activities such as: Letter Tiles, Flashcards, Segmenting Words activities, Concept-oriented Spelling Lists, Key Cards that present spelling rules, a Jail for Rule Breakers to corral exceptions, Word Banks, Writing Station, Practical Application and Review, Tips for the Teacher, a Progress Chart and more. **Due to restrictions from the publisher, All About Spelling materials do not qualify for any discounts.**

Basic Interactive Kit RL80 \$22.85
Includes Letter tiles, Magnets, Phonogram app, and Divider Cards. Necessary for teaching Levels 1 to 7.

Level 1 Teacher's Manual & Student Packet RL81 \$29.95
Sample topics: How to say and write the first 32 phonograms; Short and long vowel sounds; When to double f, l, and s; How to form plural words by adding s or es.



"Thank you Sonlight for providing a rich and gentle introduction to learning through literature," writes Colleen W of Jackson, WY. "Sonlight allowed me to teach my older daughters while meeting my new baby's needs with tender flexibility. That same flexibility led us to read on blankets in the yard, curled up by the fire with cups of cocoa or even in our red wagon. Reading together has provided so many cozy moments for our growing family, stirred our imaginations, shaped our character and invited us into a culture of shared stories we'll never forget." Elise (7) and Sadie (5) are studying Core B, as Raina (3) and Hope (11 mos.) come along for the ride on the first-year Sonlight adventure.

Level 1 Student Packet RL82 \$14.95

Level 2 Teacher's Manual & Student Packet RL83 \$39.95
Sample topics: How to spell multisyllable words; The most common way to spell the sound of /er/; When to use oi/oy, aw/au, and ow/ou.

Level 2 Student Packet RL84 \$19.95

Level 3 Teacher's Manual & Student Packet RL85 \$39.95
Sample Topics: Two more ways to spell the sound of long a; Contractions; Five reasons for adding a silent e to the end of a word; Homophones

Level 3 Student Packet RL86 \$19.95

Spelling Review Box RL93 \$9.95
This custom box is the perfect size for your Phonogram Cards, Sound Cards and Key Cards from all seven levels of the program, plus the Word Cards from your current level.

Go online for more levels and options at sonlight.com/spelling.

Sequential Spelling

Your children get immediate results with Sequential Spelling. Minimize study time and reduce test-taking anxiety! Sequential Spelling teaches students to recognize patterns of spelling based on the rules of the English language, but without all the complicated explanations.

The process:

1. Children are asked to spell a simple root word or suffix, such as "-in"
2. They hear the word used in a sentence and write it.
3. They then hear the correct spelling of the word and immediately correct their own work.
4. Each successive day students spell more words that contain "-in" such as pin, sin, spin, skin, and twin. Within five days they spell "beginning" on their own!

Sequential Spelling comes in 7 progressive levels of difficulty; students use one level per year. Words learned in Volume 2 build upon the word patterns learned in Volume 1 and so on. Therefore, if you have never used Sequential Spelling before, McCabe urges you to begin with Volume 1 and then progress through Volumes 2-7. (The volume numbers do not relate to grade levels). Sequential Spelling is a Required Resource in Language Arts from D to F and a component of Sonlight Grade 3-5 Full-Grade Packages. Sequential Spelling is not consumable so you only need one copy of each volume for your family. | Grades: 3-6

Sequential Spelling 1 RL50 \$14.95

Some of the patterns covered: -in, -en, -et, -ot, -ay, -ime, -and, -ight. Representative words: beginning, disagreeing, permitted.

Sequential Spelling 2 RL51 \$14.95

Some of the patterns covered: -ob, -ack, -eam, -ame, -ab, -ir, -ub. Representative words: nephew, packed, toaster, disgusted.

Sequential Spelling 3 RL52 \$14.95

Some of the patterns covered: -are, -ip, -sh, -oun, -sk. Representative words: successfully, assessment, suggestion.

Sequential Spelling 4 RL53 \$14.95

Some of the patterns covered: -ish, -in, -ar, -ic, -oc, -age. Representative words: outlandish, accomplishment, commercial.

Sequential Spelling 5 RL54 \$14.95

Some of the patterns covered: -en, -ign, -ance, -nge, -nt, -oit, -ap. Representative words: strengthened, malignant, ignorance.

Sequential Spelling 6 RL55 \$14.95

Some of the patterns covered: -ity, -um, -ow, -by, -ery, -or, -ty. Representative words: perspicacious, personalities, originality.

Sequential Spelling 7 RL56 \$14.95

Available online: sonlight.com/sequential-spelling.

Communication

Language and Thinking For Young Children KLO2 \$8.99

An easy-to-use, one-year course in oral language and thinking skills for Pre-K through 3rd grade using regular family activities. Topics: story-telling, measuring, listening, memorizing, calendar, poetry, manners and more. | Pb.

Keys to Good Language

Build students' competency in grammar, usage, mechanics and composition using content from across the curriculum: literature, science, health, hobbies, and history/geography. Worktext and test booklet Consumable with separate answer key. | Pb.

Scheduled in Language Arts section of Core F Instructor's Guide

Keys to Good Language 5 5L09 \$39.98

Workbook Grade 5 & Tests 5L091 \$19.99

Answer Key, Book 5 5L092 \$19.99

Scheduled in Language Arts section of Core G Instructor's Guide

Keys to Good Language 6 6L09 \$39.98

Workbook Grade 6 & Tests 6L091 \$19.99

Answer Key, Book 6 6L092 \$19.99

Analogies

Liebman. Analogies are at the root of good communication, the heart of beautiful prose. Simile and metaphor are made of analogies! Find an appropriate analogy and you have half-won the argument, almost fully explained the scientific principle-all but assured yourself of winning your audience's attention. If you can't think analogically, or tell the difference between good and bad analogies ... you may be condemned to poor communication and muddled thinking! In this series, students receive instructions, strategies, and practice in solving analogical puzzles. For junior high and up. | Pb. | Consumable

Analogies 1 140-10 \$10.50

Scheduled in Core 100 Instructor's Guide

Analogies 2 240-10 \$10.50

Scheduled in Core 200 Instructor's Guide

Analogies 3 340-10 \$10.50

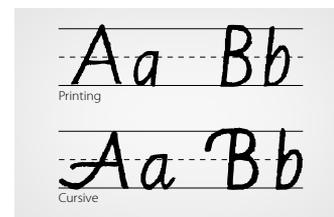
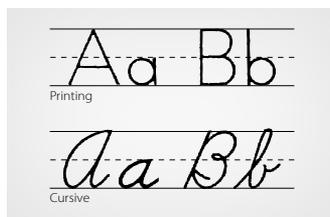
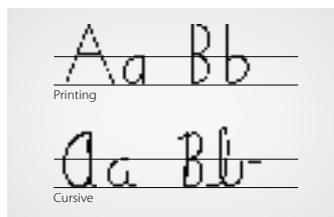
Scheduled in Core 300 Instructor's Guide

Choose from Three Outstanding Handwriting Programs



From Kindergarten through mid-elementary, we encourage you to teach your children the art of handwriting. Choose from three highly successful, prize-winning programs: the developmentally-oriented *Handwriting*

Without Tears; the Scripture-oriented and traditional *A Reason for Handwriting*; or the innovative *Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting* program.



Handwriting Without Tears

According to its developer, a registered occupational therapist, *Handwriting Without Tears* is the only developmentally-based handwriting program on the market today. That means it pays attention, in a way that no other program we know does, to the developmental needs of children who are trying to learn how to write.

In keeping with its developmental concerns, *Handwriting Without Tears* offers extremely basic exercises in figure-ground discrimination and top-to-bottom, left-to-right sequencing.

When it comes to forming letters, it begins with all the capitals. Why? Because, unlike, say, the lower-case p, q, b, and d, the capital letters are all very easy to distinguish. Kids don't mix them up.

Potential Strengths

- It works. Even with kids who face significant learning challenges and physical limitations. (Visit the Language Arts section of the Sonlight Forums at sonlight.com/LAforums to talk with some unbelievably pleased moms! You'll need to sign in to your forum account to access this online conversation.)
- You'll find that it makes sense to you as you are trying to teach.
- Parents say it's particularly easy to use with left-handed students.

Potential Weakness

- Cursive letters are formed in a completely upright rather than slanted position. These modified letters may appear unattractive to people who have been trained more conventionally.

"Alena does well with the more developmentally focused *Handwriting Without Tears*, while Marissa liked the fancier writing and Bible verse display pages of *A Reason for Handwriting*."
— Becky C, July 2013

A Reason for Handwriting

A Reason for Handwriting uses daily practice focused on verses from Scripture, as presented in the Living Bible paraphrase for 1st grade and higher.

With fancy border sheets for students to use—the authors of *A Reason for Handwriting* seek to motivate students subconsciously to think of the public nature of their work and, therefore, to improve their handwriting.

A Reason for Handwriting follows the traditional "ball-and-stick" style of print, and standard cursive.

Potential Strengths

- The shapes of the letters are the same as those used in all the other language arts workbooks you are likely to come across.
- The practice drills are based on Scripture.
- Many children are motivated by the attractive border sheets to do their best and write beautifully.

Potential Weakness

- Different letter formations for cursive (vs. manuscript) are confusing to some students.



"Homeschooling with Sonlight has allowed my husband and I to form a bond with our children that we were missing out on before," writes Devaney L of Silverhill, AL. "We face every day together, using every moment and experience as an opportunity to learn. My sweet daughter has thrived using Sonlight. This past year she has learned the love of Jesus and his relevance in our country and its history." Carsen (9) started off her Sonlight career this year with Core D.

Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting

The *Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting* program, by Portland University, has won a lot of accolades.

We first considered adding it to our line because so many customers requested it. The decision was clinched, however, when one of our sons, whose handwriting was atrocious, and who would not—or could not—make any improvements under the *A Reason for Handwriting* program, began making noticeable strides from the first day we used *Getty-Dubay*.

Potential Strengths

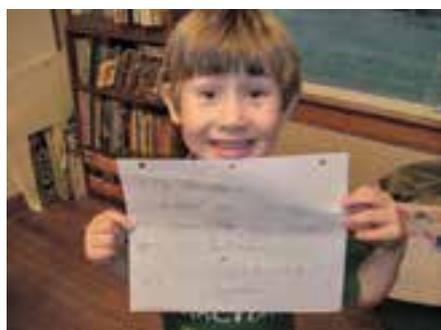
- Its cursive characters are almost identical to its print characters, which means the transition from print to cursive is easy—and once a student learns the cursive style, he is less likely to revert to printing.
- At least one national writing contest was won recently by a student who used the *Getty-Dubay Italic* method. Translated: the text looks good. Many people say it reminds them of simple calligraphy.

Potential Weaknesses

- *Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting* is completely non-"standard." There are no school materials of which we are aware that use this italic method as the basis for student practice sheets.
- Children who study *Getty-Dubay Italic* will be unfamiliar with "normal" cursive handwriting and may be at a disadvantage when asked or required to read materials written by someone who writes in a more traditional style.

"Sonlight allows us to enjoy life anywhere and learn together as a family."

— Krystal J, Aug. 2013



“Each year I am proud to adventure through the most incredible literary selections with our children,” writes Carron H of Rural Hall, NC. “Using Sonlight is truly an experience I wish I had had, but am so blessed to give our children! I have read some titles that were hard to swallow – deep content, thoughtful multicultural exposure – and have tasted and seen the presence of the Lord in all areas of our education at home.” Here, 5-year-old Joseph shows off a real letter he wrote thanks to his *Handwriting Without Tears* program and a writing prompt from Core A. Carron says Joseph felt very grown up when he mailed his letter; he was so pleased with his ability to communicate.



“Sonlight put the fun back in this home-schooling family,” writes Sonja N of Williamson, NY. “I was spending too much time putting together my own curriculum. I wanted a godly, literature-rich program for my daughter to enjoy. After receiving Core P4/5, I will never look elsewhere. I’m so excited to try Sonlight that I already color-coded the books and placed them on Sarah’s shelf. After trying to homeschool all on my own, I’m thrilled to trust Sonlight to help us reach our home-schooling goals.” Sarah (4) knew right where her family lives when she found a map in her new Sonlight book on her first Box Day!

Handwriting K

Ages 5 | 6 | 7

□ Handwriting Without Tears K

HWK \$80.89

Included in Kindergarten Full-Grade Package and scheduled in Language Arts K Instructor’s Guide. All handwriting schedules are available at sonlight.com/handwritingschedules.

Includes the 5 items listed.

□ Letters & Numbers for Me Workbook

KL172 \$13.50

Uses multisensory approach to teach correct capital and lowercase letter placement and formation, correct number formation, consistent printing habits (including how to hold the pencil). | Approx. K. | Consumable

□ Slate Chalkboard w/ Chalk & Sponge

KL173 \$11.99

5" x 7" slate is pre-marked with a smiley face in the top left corner. This gives the child a “frame of reference” for the top and for correctly printing capital letters and numbers. Children love using the “Wet-Dry-Try” slate method explained in the workbook.

□ Capital Letter Wood Pieces

KL175 \$40.00

Three-dimensional shapes are integral to the Readiness Program. Set contains 26 pieces.

□ Foam Mat for Wood Pieces

KL176 \$8.50

Foam mat, similar to a mousepad, for laying out 3-D pieces above.

□ 5/8" ruled paper, 2-line

KL174 \$6.90

100 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

OR

□ A Reason for Handwriting K

RFHK \$50.64

Includes the 4 items listed.

□ Instruction Guidebook

KL10 \$24.95

A great help to teach your children how to form their letters—both manuscript and cursive. To be used every year through sixth grade. | † | Pb

□ Workbook K (approx. K)

KL12 \$17.95

Teaches students how to write manuscript forms—both upper- and lower-case—of all 26 letters in the English alphabet. Begins with basic hand motions. | † | Color illus. | Consumable

□ K Handwriting Supplies Kit

KL16 \$4.99

Three extra-thick pencils and a thick-pencil sharpener. Pencils are perfect for beginning writers to hold.

□ 1" ruled paper, 3-line

KL184 \$2.75

50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

□ Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting K

GDIK \$38.24

Includes the 4 items listed.

□ Instruction Manual

KL13 \$18.75

Contains helpful hints for teaching Books A-G, below. Covers assessment, implementation, activities and supplements.

□ Basic Italic A (approx. K)

KL14 \$11.75

Introduces the twenty-six upper- and lowercase letters one letter per page. Letters are arranged according to the simplicity and similarity of strokes in lowercase letters. Progresses from simple to more complex forms. | Consumable

□ K Handwriting Supplies Kit

KL16 \$4.99

Three extra-thick pencils and a thick-pencil sharpener. Pencils are perfect for beginning writers to hold.

□ 1" ruled paper, 3-line

KL184 \$2.75

50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Handwriting 1

Ages 6 | 7 | 8

□ Handwriting Without Tears 1

HW1 \$23.39

Included in Grade 1 Full-Grade Package.

Includes the 3 items listed.

□ My Printing Book

1L172 \$13.50

Designed to eliminate problems with reversals, spacing, placement, and letter and numeral formation. Letters are used in simple words and sentences to assure continuous review. | Consumable

□ 5/8" ruled paper, 2-line

KL174 \$6.90

100 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

□ Print Alphabet Desk Strips

1L174 \$2.99

A sheet of four 10½" x 2" adhesive strips. Stick strips to desk to give students visual clues for letter formation.

OR

□ A Reason for Handwriting 1

RFH1 \$45.65

Includes the 3 items listed.

□ Manuscript A

1L11 \$17.95

Manuscript A continues with manuscript handwriting lessons and practice, focusing on verses from Psalms and Proverbs. | † | Color illus. | Consumable

□ 5/8" ruled paper, 3-line

1L184 \$2.75

50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don’t already own)

□ Instruction Guidebook

KL10 \$24.95

See K listing.

OR



Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting 1
GDI1 \$33.25
Includes the 3 items listed.

Basic Italic B 1L12 \$11.75
Re-introduces the twenty-six upper- and lowercase letters one letter per page. Letters are arranged alphabetically. Introduces words and sentences. | Consumable

1" ruled paper, 3-line KL184 \$2.75
50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Manual KL13 \$18.75
See K listing.

Handwriting 2
Ages 7 | 8 | 9

Handwriting Without Tears 2
HW2 \$20.40
Included in Grade 2 Full-Grade Package.
Includes the 2 items listed.

Printing Power 2L172 \$13.50
A complete review of numbers, capitals and lowercase letters. Students write words, sentences, and simple paragraphs. Emphasizes fluency rather than repetitive copying. | Consumable

3/8" ruled paper, 2-line 2L174 \$6.90
100 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

OR

A Reason for Handwriting 2
RFH2 \$45.65
Includes the 3 items listed.

Transition 2L08 \$17.95
Transition continues instruction and practice in manuscript, then moves, in mid-year, to cursive handwriting. Practice focuses on passages from the Gospels. | Color illus. | Consumable

5/8" ruled paper, 3-line 1L184 \$2.75
50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Guidebook KL10 \$24.95
See K listing.

OR

Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting 2
GDI2 \$33.25
Includes the 3 items listed.

Basic and Cursive C 2L09 \$11.75
Reviews basic italic and introduces the first five joins of cursive italic. | Consumable

5/8" ruled paper, 3-line 1L184 \$2.75
50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Manual KL13 \$18.75
See K listing.

Handwriting 3
Ages 8 | 9 | 10

Handwriting Without Tears 3
HW3 \$23.39
Included in Grade 3 Full-Grade Package.
Includes the 3 items listed.

Cursive Handwriting 3L192 \$13.50
Children learn to write neatly, with speed and confidence. Lowercase letters are taught first. Teaching pages feature large step-by-step illustrations and child-friendly language. Teaches easy techniques for connections and capitals. | Consumable

Cursive Alphabet Desk Strips 3L194 \$2.99
A sheet of four 10½" x 2" adhesive strips. Stick strips to desk to give students visual clues for letter formation.

3/8" ruled paper, 2-line 2L174 \$6.90
100 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

OR

A Reason for Handwriting 3
RFH3 \$45.65
Includes the 3 items listed.

Cursive C 3L06 \$17.95
Cursive C completes the transition to cursive handwriting. Practice drills focus on verses from the New Testament epistles. | Color illus. | Consumable

3/8" ruled paper, 3-line 3L184 \$2.75
50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Guidebook KL10 \$24.95
See K listing.

OR

Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting 3
GDI3 \$33.25
Includes the 3 items listed.

Basic and Cursive D 3L10 \$11.75
Reviews then presents the cursive joins in sequence. Concludes with capitals. Practice includes phonograms, prefixes, suffixes, homophones, homographs, poetic forms (couplets, haikus, etc.), letter-writing, and more. | Consumable

3/8" ruled paper, 3-line 3L184 \$2.75
50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Manual KL13 \$18.75
See K listing.



"The Teacher's Guides and the well-chosen classical books are the key to Sonlight's success," writes Valerie H of Slater, MO. "I also love how they recommended other resources, like *Explode the Code* and *Handwriting Without Tears*, which work hand-in-hand with the curriculum. With Sonlight, I'm able to work with my kids on a daily basis on a continuum of excellent learning. I see my children's world expanding and it makes me excited to be their teacher. For the first time, I feel confident and comfortable with my decision to home educate. My kids finally enjoy homeschooling and I absolutely love teaching." In their third Sonlight year, John-Paul and Emelie (9 and 8, Core B+C) take their Math outdoors.



"Sonlight has developed a love of learning in all three of my children," writes Lesley M of Argyle, TX. "As a speech-language pathologist, I was excited by the rich language and vocabulary each Core contains. Each of our kids absolutely relishes the Sonlight books. I'm personally excited to re-use our first Core this year for Faith and am blessed to watch her love of learning grow as richly as her brothers." Here, Jameson (11, Core F) teaches Faith (5, Core A) how to use *The Timeline Book* (#RR120) to track world history.



“The material that Sonlight brings together is rich and diverse enough to appeal to many personalities and preferences,” writes Josephine O of Scottsbluff, NE. “My husband and I joke that either of our kids would make the perfect ‘only’ child, as they have strong personalities and the sibling bickering can be maddening! But oddly enough, there are never issues at school. When we read together, ask questions together and experiment together, the atmosphere is enthusiastic and harmonious. When one child is bored or struggling, the other instantly becomes an enthusiastic cheerleader or patient helper. Our bonds strengthen with each lesson.” In the family’s fifth Sonlight year, Caleb (7) and Charlotte (5) are using Cores C and A. Chayim (9 mos.) is eating a Nerf® dart.



“Since using Sonlight all of my children have a thirst for reading that is almost unquenchable,” writes Tammy W of Asia. “We have used Sonlight each year we have home-schooled, but this year was the first for me to be teaching three children on such a wide scale of ages and abilities. I was nervous, but since we LOVE the books we decided to give it a try. It was easier than I anticipated to use parts of Core F that all four children could learn from and enjoy. We also used Core A and our 5th grader loved the Read-Alouds as much as our kindergartner!” Here, Beth (6), Samuel (11), Ruthie (9) and Isaac (2) use the China Kit from Core F to practice calligraphy.

Handwriting 4

Ages 9 | 10 | 11

Handwriting Without Tears 4

HW4 \$20.40

Includes the 2 items listed.

Cursive Success 4L172 \$13.50

Advanced cursive student workbook can be used as a basic workbook for older students or as part of the development process after completing *Cursive Handwriting* (3L192). Uses smaller size letters, larger words and more advanced sentences. | Consumable

1/8" ruled paper, 2-line 4L174 \$6.90

100 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

OR

A Reason for Handwriting 4

RFH4 \$45.65

Includes the 3 items listed.

Cursive D 4L04 \$17.95

Cursive D continues cursive practice. Focuses on verses from the Gospels. | † | Color illus. | Consumable

3/8" ruled paper, 3-line 3L184 \$2.75

50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Guidebook KL10 \$24.95

See K listing.

OR

Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting 4

GDI4 \$33.25

Includes the 3 items listed.

Basic and Cursive E 4L08 \$11.75

Reviews basic and cursive writing. Practice includes phonograms, prefixes, suffixes, and other letter combinations. Subject matter of practice: the animal, plant, and mineral kingdoms; solar system, galaxies, and more. | Consumable

3/8" ruled paper, 3-line 3L184 \$2.75

50 Sheets. Extra practice paper.

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Manual KL13 \$18.75

See K listing.

Handwriting 5

Ages 10 | 11 | 12

Handwriting Without Tears 5

HW5 \$13.50

Includes the 1 item listed.

Can-Do Cursive 5L172 \$13.50

For students still mastering cursive. Includes teaching tips, fun ways for students to practice cursive, cursive review and ideas for extra practice. Promotes writing skills with grammar, Greek-Latin, and composition. | Consumable

OR

A Reason for Handwriting 5

RFH5 \$42.90

Includes the 2 items listed.

Cursive E 5L04 \$17.95

Cursive E continues to refine students' cursive hand. Focuses on passages from the Psalms. | † | Color illus. | Consumable

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Guidebook KL10 \$24.95

See K listing.

OR

Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting 5

GDI5 \$30.50

Includes the 2 items listed.

Basic and Cursive F 5L08 \$11.75

More practice. Subject matter includes word origins, word groups and word entertainment; names of Native American tribes, nations, and communities; spiral writing, pop-up card design, and envelope making. | Consumable

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Manual KL13 \$18.75

See K listing.

Handwriting 6 and up

Ages 10 | 11 | 12

Most students in 6th grade or higher no longer need special handwriting practice. However, if your child needs additional instruction in handwriting, please select from our suggested resources.

A Reason for Handwriting 6

RFH6 \$42.90

Includes the 2 items listed.

Cursive F 6L04 \$17.95

Cursive F continues to refine students' cursive hand. Focuses on passages from Proverbs. | † | Color illus. | Consumable

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Guidebook KL10 \$24.95

See K listing.

OR

Getty-Dubay Italic Handwriting 6

GDI6 \$30.50

Includes the 2 items listed.

Basic & Cursive 6 6L08 \$11.75

Continued practice follows a central theme—the history of our alphabet. | Consumable

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

Instruction Manual KL13 \$18.75

See K listing.



Complete, hands-on science programs from kindergarten to college-level lab sciences



Looking for a low-stress, complete Science curriculum your kids are sure to love? Do you want Science to include tons of hands-on learning and captivating books? Sonlight's Science programs for elementary through high school could be the perfect fit. We revised our elementary programs a few years ago and the results are in: customers LOVE the new curriculum. They tell us Sonlight Science is different from other companies' programs because:

- It is truly easy to use.
- You're fully equipped to do the experiments. Moms who tended to skip experiments before Sonlight find they actually do them since they already have the materials and instructions they need. Plus ...
- Kids and moms alike love the *Discover & Do* DVDs in Science A, B, C, D and E. These DVDs demonstrate each experiment in the Instructor's Guide. They even provide plenty of laughs along the way! So if you don't get around to doing an experiment, at least your kids can watch it in action.
- Beautifully illustrated, amazingly interesting books with robust science content help bring science to life. With Sonlight, your science study becomes a joyful adventure of discovery, instead of a boring trek through a textbook.

So let Sonlight guide you through each day and simplify your teaching process for less stress and more fun as you learn along with your kids.

Ignite a love for science in your children with:

Great books. Engaging activities. Hands on experiments. Compelling biographies. Fun and instructive DVDs.

Your children will not only learn the facts of science, but also gain a love of discovery and get to know key scientists such as Isaac Newton, Louis Pasteur, Marie Curie and more.

Your Instructor's Guide (IG) walks you through each day.

Your Science IG enables you to teach with confidence. You'll know what you're going to study and why. Your complete schedule ensures you cover key concepts in a logical and doable way while explanations in your Guide help you understand the principle of each experiment and activity.

- **Teaching tips** guide you through what to cover each day and how to explain science facts.
- Thorough parent **explanations** leave you feeling confident about each experiment and activity sheet.

- **Extensive notes** offer insights relevant not only to science, but also to cultural literacy, religion, philosophy, ethics, technology, and more.
- **Discussion questions** spark meaningful conversations with your children about what you learn together.
- Science **worksheets** customized for each lesson hammer home important points in fun ways.
- Optional **activities** help make science a real and everyday part of life. These activities take your family's science exploration beyond your books and into the world around you.

Hands-on experiments help children grasp science ideas.

Lots of experiments capture your children's attention and solidify their understanding.

These experiments give your children a "hook" to absorb new things they learn. They'll remember far more of what they experience than facts they only hear about.

These hands-on experiences provide a connection between what your children read and the real world and help grow their interest in scientific exploration and discovery.

Breathe a sigh of relief knowing there's no need to spend gas money and time hunting for random supplies you need for experiments – we include them in your science supply kit.

A Christian worldview bolsters your family's learning.

Sonlight integrates a strong Christian worldview into our Instructor's Guides so you and your children can look at the world through the lens of God's Word, the ultimate source of truth.

- We provide a counter balance to non-Christian content and ideas.
- We encourage your family to first seek to understand differing perspectives before critiquing them, so your children gain the ability to discern with you right beside them.
- We present information and a response to evolution, highlighting God as Creator and Intelligent Designer.

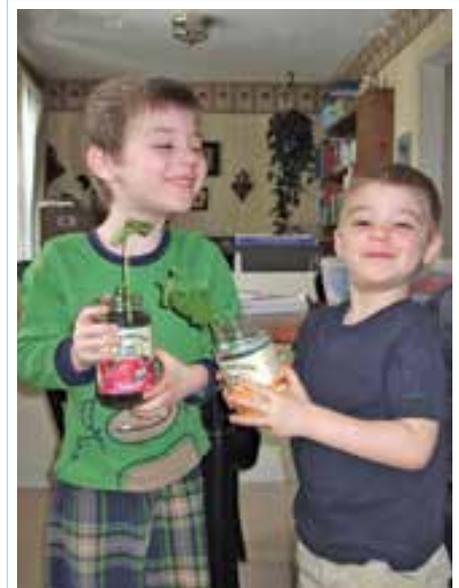
Expect the best education possible for your children.

Sonlight students interact with more scientific subjects and more material – more often – before junior high than many classroom school students cover once by the time they reach high school.

We cover the full spectrum of science studies, such as earth, space, life, health, physical and technological science.

Your kids will learn these subjects at greater and greater depth as they circle back through each topic over the years. We mix challenges with fun so your students will not only learn more science than their peers, they actually enjoy the process!

Start your journey of discovery with your family. Find out more details about each science program in the pages that follow.



"I am officially convinced that Sonlight has the most fun science program ever!" writes Rachel C of Ontario, Canada. "Sonlight science encourages a curiosity about God's creation and a love of learning about it. It is perfect for our boys because it has a good mix of reading, worksheets, outside discovery and hands-on experiments. It is designed in a way that we can all do the same things together, and the teachers manual makes the lesson planning so easy." In their first year of Sonlight, Zachary (5) and Anthony (4) are quite proud of the seedlings they grew with their Science A program.



“No bland textbook can provide Sonlight moments like this!” writes Tracy D of Monroe, NC. *“Science Activities Vol. 2 and the accompanying Discover & Do DVD [from Science A] provided many hours of wonder, excitement and fun at our house this year. I am so grateful to Sonlight for helping us foster an enjoyment of Science through wonderful books, a well-organized IG, the ready-to-use supplies kit and hands-on activities.”* Jonathan (6) and Caroline (7) were so excited when their Science A experiment successfully created wind. They are now starting their third year of Sonlight with Core B and Science B.



“Levi was in awe that the science experiment actually worked!” writes Laura G of Universal City, TX. *“He loves doing all the experiments. We love spending time together as a family, and seeing Levi’s awe and excitement learning something new is the most precious gift that Sonlight gives our family.”* In his second year of Sonlight, 5-year-old Levi (Core A, Science A) is amazed to see how hot air expands and cold air condenses.

Science A

Ages 5 | 6 | 7

- 5-Day/wk AS5 \$124.85
- 4-Day/wk AS4 \$104.89



Biology, Botany, and Physics

Science A sparks children’s curiosity and introduces them to Biology, Earth Science, and Physics—topics you’ll return to again over the years.

Colorful and engaging for kids and adults, the *Usborne Internet-Linked Children’s Encyclopedia* leads children to explore countless wonders from space, botany, geology, and the human body.

Find the answers to questions like:

- Why does thunder come with lightning?
- How much air do your lungs hold?

From clocks, computers, to trains and planes, students study how things work.

Make a weather vane, absorb liquid through sugar cubes, and even taste-test milkshakes! Experiments cover science with air, plants, and science in the kitchen. The hilarious and fact-filled *Discover & Do* DVD enhances each experiment.

Note: *Internet-Linked Children’s Encyclopedia (Item AH04) is part of the Core A History package. If you are ordering the Science program as a stand-alone package, purchase The Children’s Encyclopedia separately.*

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

- Science A Instructor’s Guide p. 141 ASG
- Discover & Do Level K (DVD) AS05
- How Flowers Grow AS02
- Isaac Newton and the Laws of Motion AS03
- Weather AS01
- Science Activities, Vol. 2 AS04
- Science Supplies Kit A ASK

▼ 5-Day Program also includes

- Caterpillars and Butterflies AS07
- Eggs and Chicks AS08
- Tadpoles and Frogs AS09
- Under the Sea AS06

Required Resources (if you don’t already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99
- Usborne Internet-Linked Children’s Encyclopedia** AH04 \$15.99
(This book also used in Core A.)

Optional Resource

- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable ASG1 \$12.99

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/AS5.

Science B

Ages 5 | 6 | 7 | 8

- 5-Day/wk BS5 \$170.87
- 4-Day/wk BS4 \$144.90



Animals, Astronomy, and Physics

From the make-up of the human body to the infrastructure of a skateboard, Science B feeds children’s curiosity about how things are made.

They’ll uncover mysteries of the human body and health as they enjoy the *First Encyclopedia of the Human Body*. They’ll have fun learning about the technology of everyday items in *See How It’s Made*.

They’ll also learn about animals, space, and water processing, and enjoy a biography of Louis Pasteur. Science experiments cover water, magnets, lights, and mirrors.

The Discover & Do, Level 1 DVD includes creative presentations of the 92 experiments in the Science B program.

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

- Science B Instructor’s Guide p. 141 BSG
- Discover & Do Level 1 (DVD) BS03
- First Encyclopedia of the Human Body BS04
- The Magic School Bus at the Waterworks BS08
- Pasteur’s Fight Against Microbes BS01
- Science Activities, Vol. 1 BS07
- Space BS02
- Why Do People Eat? BS09
- World of Animals BS10
- Science Supplies Kit B BSK

▼ 5-Day Program also includes

- Night Animals BS11
- See How It’s Made BS05
- What Makes You Ill? BS06

Required Resource (if you don’t already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99

Optional Resource

- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable BSG1 \$12.99

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/BS5.

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Science C

Ages 6 | 7 | 8 | 9

- 5-Day/wk CS5 \$175.85
- 4-Day/wk CS4 \$170.86



Geology, Meteorology, and Mechanical Technology

Awaken your children to the vastness of space and the complex make-up of our earth. *The Usborne Book of Knowledge* serves as the key book for Science C, but a biography of Marie Curie, a colorful book devoted to weather, and a vastly informative yet readable Usborne book, *Planet Earth*, aid students as they study animals, birds, dinosaurs, machines, the human body, technology and inventions, Earth, the solar system, and weather. Science experiments cover batteries (electricity), the human body, and weather.

- ▼ **4- and 5-Day Program includes**
- Science C Instructor's Guide p. 141 CSG
 - Dinosaurs Unleashed: The True Story about Dinosaurs and Humans CS04
 - Discover & Do Level 2 (DVD) CS05
 - The Magic School Bus Inside the Earth CS06
 - The Magic School Bus Lost in the Solar System CS07
 - Marie Curie's Search for Radium CS09
 - Science Activities, Vol. 3 CS08
 - The Usborne Book of Knowledge CS03
 - Weather CS01
 - Science Supplies Kit C CSK
- ▼ **5-Day Program also includes**
- Planet Earth CS02

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99

Optional Resource

- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable CSG1 \$12.99

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/CS5.

"Sonlight maintains a high standard, but presents information in ways that interest the kids, with hands-on experiments and beautifully illustrated books."

— Tanya C, June 2013

Science D

Ages 7 | 8 | 9 | 10

- 5-Day/wk DS5 \$239.81
- 4-Day/wk DS4 \$224.82



Biology, Taxonomy, and Human Anatomy

Science D gives students an up-close look at the observable world and the forces behind what we can see. Students focus on Physics (energy, gravity, sound, electricity, and machines) and Biology (life, cells, plants and photosynthesis, plant growth, protists, frogs, butterflies, ecosystems, food cycle, water cycle, air cycle, the human body and animals). They'll also explore seas and oceans, water, and creation/evolution. Students will build a greenhouse and conduct botany experiments to understand what living things need. The DVD, *Incredible Creatures that Defy Evolution I* leads students to examine the wonders of the world more closely and consider their source.

- ▼ **4- and 5-Day Program includes**
- Science D Instructor's Guide p. 141 DSG
 - Discover & Do Level 3 (DVD) DS06
 - Incredible Creatures that Defy Evolution I (DVD) DS08
 - Listening to Crickets DS11
 - The Magic School Bus Inside the Human Body DS04
 - Mysteries and Marvels of Nature DS05
 - Real Science 4 Kids: Biology, Level 1 DS01
 - TOPS 38-Green Thumbs: Radishes Consumable DS09
 - TOPS 39-Green Thumbs: Corn & Beans Consumable DS10
 - Usborne First Encyclopedia of Seas and Oceans DS02
 - Usborne Science Encyclopedia DS03
 - Science Supplies Kit D DSK
- ▼ **5-Day Program also includes**
- Water DS07

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99

Optional Resources

- Lyrical Life Science Vol. 1: Non-Animal Kingdoms and Non-Mammalian Animals (CD, Text & Workbook)** See p. 134 RS51 \$29.50
- Lyrical Life Science Vol. 2: Mammals, Ecology & Biomes (CD, Text & Workbook)** See p. 134 RS52 \$29.50
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable DSG1 \$12.99

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/DS5.



"I appreciate that Sonlight is not dogmatic in its approach to education," writes Becky C of South Dayton, NY. "On the more controversial topics in science and history it offers different viewpoints and allows the parents to decide how to present them. Sonlight also sparks our daughters' creativity. After studying weather in science last year, Alena was constantly looking for opportunities to apply her knowledge in real life. Whether it was spontaneously building a rain gauge or being thrilled by a shower of hail, she turned into a budding meteorologist." Here, the 7-year-old uses a book from Science A to identify clouds. Her family has used Sonlight for six years.



Scope out our quality microscopes p. 134



"My girls love Sonlight Science, with its great hands-on experiments," writes April G of Edmond, OK. "I was terrified to homeschool because I had no experience. I couldn't do it without Sonlight to put it all together for me. I can provide an outstanding education for my girls without spending lots of prep time. The wonderful books and complete schedules allow me to homeschool with confidence and still have time for my own interests. Sonlight has allowed me to follow the Lord's direction for our family." Here, Grandpa, Lucy (5, P4/5 Full-Grade), Grace and Annie (9 and 7, Core B, Science B), confirm what they've just learned about the moon and space.



"It's delightful to have a curriculum that allows me to combine my kids while allowing them to explore their God-given gifts and passions individually," writes Amy B of Portland, OR. "With Sonlight, we felt the freedom to have Paul follow along in a Science program that was technically out of his age range. The result was a 5-year-old who learned a TON of science and perhaps discovered his passion. In this picture, Luke (7) had already moved on, but Paul was fairly sure the bulb would be even brighter if he added a fourth battery. And it worked! Both boys were jazzed with the results." In their family's third year of Sonlight, Paul and Luke share Core A and Science C.



"The daily, intricate interaction between student and growing plants has absolutely exploded Leah's interest!" writes Laurie Y of Ontario, Canada. "She even made her own scale to weigh and chart the plant throughout its life cycle. The detail and depth of exploration is incredible – more than could ever be possible in a large class setting. She went on to dig a little vegetable garden in our backyard to plant her sprouts. They've been growing all summer as the unscripted learning continues!" Here, Leah (10) weighs water-soaked bean seeds before being planted to see how much they've absorbed. In her first year of Sonlight study, she is using Core B+C and Science D.

Science E

Ages 8 | 9 | 10 | 11

- 5-Day/wk ES5 \$222.88
- 4-Day/wk ES4 \$195.90



Electricity, Magnetism, and Astronomy

Ever wondered what lasers are made of or how to tell a planet from a star? Do you know the most important energy source on earth?

Physics and technology take the stage in Science E. Students explore electricity, magnetism, light, color, microscopes, astronomy and space, inventions, chemistry, modern technology, and early American life.

Books of note include *The Story of Inventions*, *Energy*, and *Bell and the Science of the Telephone*. Chuckle along with Justin in the *Discover & Do 4* DVD as he takes you through over 90 experiments primarily covering electricity and magnetism and sprinkles humor throughout.

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes	
Science E Instructor's Guide p. 141	ESG
Bell and the Science of the Telephone	ES05
Diary of an Early American Boy	ES03
Discover & Do Level 4 (DVD)	ES06
Electricity & Magnetism	ES09
Light & Color	ES13
Mysteries and Marvels of Science	ES07
TOPS 32-Electricity Consumable	ES10
TOPS 33-Magnetism Consumable	ES11
Usborne Complete Book of the Microscope	ES12
The Usborne Internet-Linked Book of Astronomy and Space	ES01
Science Supplies Kit E	ESK
▼ 5-Day Program also includes	
See for Yourself: Energy	ES04
The Story of Inventions	ES02

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99
- Optional Resources**
- Magnifier/Microscope** See p. 134 ES08 \$17.99
- Microscopy Supplies Kit** See p. 134 ESKM \$18.99
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable ESG1 \$12.99

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/ES5.

Science F

Ages 9 | 10 | 11 | 12

- for Boys (includes *The Boy's Body Book*)
- 5-Day/wk FSB5 \$186.29
- 4-Day/wk FSB4 \$139.33
- for Girls (includes *The Body Book for Girls*)
- 5-Day/wk FSG5 \$187.33
- 4-Day/wk FSG4 \$140.37



Health, Medicine, and Human Anatomy

Students uncover the wonders of the human body in Science F, including anatomy, gender differences, reproduction, health and nutrition, survival skills, and the history of medicine. Students also learn about geology, fossils, evolution and intelligent design to better understand the broad discussion of the earth's formation. A DVD, *Unlocking the Mystery of Life*, adds depth to the origin of life conversation.

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes	
Science F Instructor's Guide p. 141	FSG
Almost 12	FS04
Blood & Guts: A Working Guide to Your Own Insides	FS12
Food and Nutrition for Every Kid	FS05
The History of Medicine	FS11
Improve Your Survival Skills	FS06
Unlocking the Mystery of Life (DVD)	FS03
Usborne Internet-Linked Complete Book of the Human Body	FS13
▼ Choose one of the following titles	
The Boy's Body Book	FS02
OR	
The Care & Keeping of You: The Body Book for Girls	FS01
▼ 5-Day Program also includes	
Dry Bones and Other Fossils	FS07
The Human Body	FS09
Introduction to Genes and DNA	FS08
Understanding Your Brain	FS10

Optional Resources

- Lyrical Life Science Vol. 3: The Human Body (CD, Text & Workbook)** See p. 134 RS53 \$29.50
- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable FSG1 \$12.99

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/FSB5 (boys) or sonlight.com/FSG5 (girls).



Science G

Ages 10 | 11 | 12 | 13

- 5-Day/wk GS5 \$218.92
- 4-Day/wk GS4 \$186.94

Geology, Physics, and Origins



Watch students make connections and delve deeper into chemistry, physics, and biology in Science G. Students explore earth science, geology, fossil records, evolution, intelligent design, contemporary technology, plants, animals, and ecosystems. Experiments in two TOPS books cover analysis and cohesion and adhesion. A new DVD, *Icons of Evolution*, adds a multimedia dimension to the origin of life discussion.

▼ 4- and 5-Day Program includes

- Science G Instructor's Guide p. 141 GSG
- What's Science All About GS08
- Evolution: The Grand Experiment GS07
- Icons of Evolution (DVD) GS04
- TOPS 10-Analysis GS05
- TOPS 13-Cohesion/Adhesion GS06
- Usborne Internet-Linked Encyclopedia of Planet Earth GS01
- Science Supplies Kit G GSK

▼ 5-Day Program also includes

- Cool Stuff 2.0 and How it Works GS02
- The Young Naturalist GS03

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99

Optional Resource

- Extra Activity Sheets** Consumable GSG1 \$12.99

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/GS5.

Science H

Ages 11 | 12 | 13

- CD-ROM package HSOB \$104.98
- Textbook package HSOA \$148.98

General Science

Science H provides a wonderful overview of the entire range of scientific inquiry and a superb introduction to the world of science you will explore in years to come. Assuming you have already used four or five years' worth of Sonlight science, however, feel free to use Physical Science 150-00. There are plenty of additional courses to come!

For details about the textbook package go to sonlight.com/HSOA.

▼ CD-ROM package includes the 3 items listed

- General Science Schedule Plus HSSA
- Apologia Educational Ministries' Exploring Creation with General Science, CD-ROM Version HS02
- General Science Supplies Kit H HSKA

Required Resources (if you don't already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99
- Safety Glasses** SS301 \$3.50

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/HS0B.

Science 150

Ages 12 | 13 | 14

- CD-ROM package 150-05 \$105.98
- Textbook package 150-00 \$149.98

Physical Science

In Science 150, students study basic principles of the earth sciences then push on to basic physics. A great foundation for all high school sciences.

For details about the textbook package go to sonlight.com/150-00.

▼ CD-ROM package includes the 3 items listed

- Physical Science Schedule Plus 150-30
- Apologia Educational Ministries' Exploring Creation with Physical Science, CD-ROM 150-21
- Science Supplies Kit 150 150-35

Required Resources (if you don't already own)

- Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit** See p. 134 NSK \$31.99
- Safety Glasses** SS301 \$3.50

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/150-05.

High School Science

Sonlight's high school-level biology, chemistry, and physics programs provide an in-depth understanding of the world big and small – from the tiny building blocks of the plant and animal kingdoms to subatomic particles in gas, liquids, and solids.

The Sonlight® High School Science Curriculum provides everything you need for a solid science program. It eliminates the frustration of deciding what to teach, what experiments to do, and how to gather all of the materials for experiments. You can continue to delight in learning along with your children.

Science 250

Ages 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18

- CD-ROM package 250-05 \$468.97
- Textbook package 250-00 \$512.97

Biology

High School science begins with the 200-Level *Exploring Creation with Biology* program. This program balances subject reading with an optional experimental biology component including microscopy and advanced dissection.



"Sonlight has given us the freedom to explore, be creative and accommodate different interests among our four boys," writes Lisa W of Minnesota City, MN. "Jonah's favorite subject is science. We took a little field trip to a nearby lake to collect water for a biology experiment then looked at the different jars of water under a microscope to see the specimens growing with the different mediums. The process of investigating and discovering is inspiring for Jonah, especially in science. We've been using Sonlight for twelve years and have enjoyed every minute of it." This year, 15-year-old Jonah studies Core 100 as he also dives into Science 250, *Apologia Biology*.



"We have homeschooled nine years, all with Sonlight," writes Lisa W of Ithaca, NY. "One of the best parts has been that our family could read great literature together. As a result, we have bookcases filled with books, and we often share memories about those books. Now that Sarah is older, we don't read books aloud as much. But using Sonlight, we still share memories together. This year, we decided to hold a science co-op at our house, using *Apologia Biology*, a science curriculum offered through Sonlight. Having a group of teens at your house for biology labs can be exciting and memorable." Here, 14-year-old Sarah gets hands-on experience as she dissects a worm with the supplies provided in Science 250.

The key text, Apologia's *Exploring Creation with Biology*, incorporates an engaging, conversational tone capable of grabbing teenagers' attention and keeping their minds on track. The authors give a Christian viewpoint and lift up God's incredible design for the world. Colorful illustrations, photos, tables and charts reinforce learning items, and bring the awe and intricacy of creation to mind. The biology program includes solutions and tests, and we've also created a Sonlight-style schedule guide to complement the course.

The course study begins with a "macro" view of our living world. Your students learn about Kingdoms and Phyla and the steps needed to identify and classify many animals and plants. Students move on to the "micro" perspective with single-celled organisms and their reproduction, advance to genetics, and finish with ecosystems.

Budding biologists will use the Sonlight® Ultra Microscope to uncover the marvelous movement, shape and color of microorganisms invisible to the naked eye. They'll follow detailed instructions from Sonlight's Advanced Dissection Kit to delicately explore the internal organs and external structures of four different specimens from land and sea.

Please note: Many colleges look for at least one lab science on a student's transcript. To gain hands-on experience with a microscope, as is often included in a lab course, you may wish to purchase the Microscopy Supplies Kit (item 250-25).

To supplement the course material and hands-on experiments, you'll find outstanding multimedia elements that include audio pronunciations of key vocabulary terms, animated versions of illustrations, and video clips of a variety of microorganisms.

For details about the textbook package go to sonlight.com/science-250. For international options go to sonlight.com/250-45.

▼ CD-ROM package includes the 5 items listed		
Biology Schedule Plus	250-01	
Advanced Dissection Kit with Specimens	250-30	
Apologia Educational Ministries' Exploring Creation with Biology, CD-ROM Version	250-21	
Microscopy Supplies Kit	250-25	
Sonlight® Ultra Microscope	250-40	

Required Resources (if you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit p. 134	NSK	\$31.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Glasses	SS301	\$3.50

Choose one of the following two items:

<input type="checkbox"/> Sonlight® Ultra Microscope p. 134	250-40	\$255.00
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OR

<input type="checkbox"/> Variable Voltage Microscope p. 134	250-45	\$265.00
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Note: For use Internationally.

Optional Resources

<input type="checkbox"/> Digital Microscope Camera Eyepiece See p. 134	SSM20	\$74.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Microscope Carrying Case	SSM4	\$35.00

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/microscope.

Science 350

Ages 15 | 16 | 17 | 18

<input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM package	350-05	\$156.98
<input type="checkbox"/> Textbook package	350-00	\$200.98

Chemistry

The 300-Level *Exploring Creation With Chemistry* addresses the theoretical and mathematical basis of chemistry and follows a sequence of learning similar to the biology. Several fascinating experiments boost learning dramatically as they demonstrate universal formulas and concepts such as mass, density, volume, and more. Several projects include solving for unknown ratios, and *Exploring Creation With Chemistry* explains ratios and their associated calculations better than any math book we've found. (**Note:** Students who have not completed Algebra 1 prior to taking the course will find the work and calculations challenging to master.)

The course includes solutions and tests, multimedia demonstrations and explanations, a Sonlight Chemistry Schedule Plus, and a Chemistry Supplies Kit.

If your student completes the experiments that go with the course, he or she will have a true, upper-level high school science experience.

For details about the textbook package go to sonlight.com/350-00.

▼ CD-ROM package includes the 3 items listed		
Chemistry Schedule Plus	350-01	
Apologia Educational Ministries' Exploring Creation with Chemistry, CD-ROM Version	350-21	
Chemistry Supplies Kit	350-15	

Required Resources (if you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit p. 134	NSK	\$31.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Glasses	SS301	\$3.50

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/350-05.

"Our children LOVE the hands-on science experiments in every program. They give concrete understanding to the subject being taught."

— Jamie D., Aug. 2013

Science 450

Ages 16 | 17 | 18

<input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM package	450-05	\$94.98
<input type="checkbox"/> Textbook package	450-00	\$138.98

Physics

The 400-Level physics program provides a wonderful, advanced high school level science experience, well-suited for college preparation. Students should have a strong math foundation since the text is filled with formulas, practical applications and experiments.

The course style is similar to the Biology and Chemistry studies. *Exploring Creation With Physics*-supported with solutions and tests, multimedia explanations and demonstrations, and experiments-is the program's central learning tool. It presents 16 modules which follow the format of subject presentation, "solve on your own" problems with answers thoroughly explained, and end-of-module test questions.

The modules cover a variety of physics laws and concepts vital to those considering the engineering or physics fields: velocity, acceleration, friction, momentum, the speed of light and sound, torque, tension, energy, fuses, and circuits. *Exploring Creation With Physics* incorporates situations and objects present in an adolescent's everyday life to help illustrate and reinforce key points.

For details about the textbook package go to sonlight.com/450-00.

▼ CD-ROM package includes the 3 items listed		
Physics Schedule Plus	450-01	
Apologia Educational Ministries' Exploring Creation with Physics, CD-ROM Version	450-21	
Physics Supplies Kit	450-15	

Required Resource (if you don't already own)

<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit p. 134	NSK	\$31.99
<input type="checkbox"/> Safety Glasses	SS301	\$3.50

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/450-00.

Advanced Science

Ages 17 | 18

Advanced Programs, if completed successfully, can give your children the equivalent of a university course.

<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Biology, CD-ROM Package	550-05	\$276.47
Go to sonlight.com/apologia		
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Chemistry	551-00	\$185.00
Go to sonlight.com/apologia		
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Physics	553-00	\$90.00
Go to sonlight.com/apologia		

For full descriptions and to purchase individual items, go to sonlight.com/science-550.

Complete programs and engaging supplements for K-12



Spark a strong start in math for your kids. Teach confidently with Sonlight’s handpicked math resources – the programs we stand behind as the best on the market for elementary math to Calculus. Find guidance for both you and your students so math can be more fun than frustrating.

Every math program has potential strengths and weaknesses, so we’ve included information to help you find the best fit for your students. Consider Horizons, Singapore, Teaching Textbooks or Saxon Math as your foundation,

then choose from the grade-appropriate resources listed in this catalog. Trying to decide what level your child needs? We offer free placement tests for each program at sonlight.com/placement-tests.

At the high school level, we are convinced there is nothing better than Teaching Textbooks for Pre-Algebra through Pre-Calculus and Geometry. Beyond that, Thinkwell provides a top-notch Calculus program.



Teaching Textbooks (Grades 3-12)

Glory! A math program designed, from the ground up, for homeschoolers – something with all the tools you need, without the fluff that school-based programs often include. You are virtually guaranteed success with minimal knowledge, skill or oversight on the part of mom or dad.

Teaching Textbooks courses offer:

- CD-ROM-based “whiteboard” lectures: Students learn from a tutor who has taught homeschoolers for years, since the days he tutored statistics and probability at Harvard.
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- Answer Booklet: Your students can find answers for every workbook problem – including all the quiz answers – in the neatly bound set.
- Digital grade book: After they work a problem in the workbook, students enter their answer in the computer – which grades it automatically. Review the digital grade book to see your child’s grades for all problem sets and quizzes.
- For parents: A “final-answer-only” key and a complete set of reproducible chapter quizzes and tests.

As a result of the authors’ years of experience teaching homeschoolers, Teaching Textbooks includes far more prolific and effective solutions than any other program on the market – bar none. Nothing else delivers half as much explanation! (Even Saxon’s DIVE CDs only offer explanation for some of their practice problems, but not full explanations to all homework exercises.)

Teaching Textbooks’ authors present in a friendly, conversational style. They include light humor

that homeschooled students (and parents) can appreciate, and appeal to all types of students, advanced as well as struggling.

These programs work on a multisensory base and follow the “spiral” or “review” method to encourage long-term mastery. Teaching Textbooks is unique among math curricula because of its practical, application-oriented “word” or “story” problems that focus on the kinds of problems that business people, scientists, and regular citizens face every day.

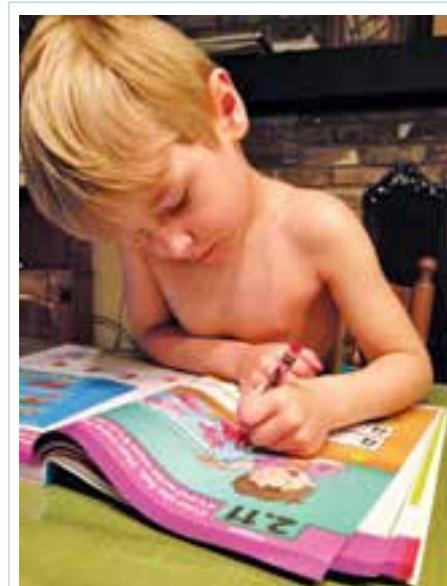
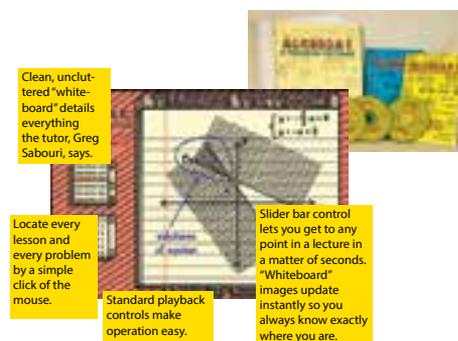
Not only will Teaching Textbooks give you good scores on standardized tests, but they can actually teach you to think mathematically. Teaching Textbooks is so strong that for 7th grade and up, we forgo listing any other programs (where they compete) in our print catalog.

Potential Weaknesses

- If your children are absolute math whizzes, they may find some lectures move too slowly and spend too much time in the basics. Of course, there is a simple solution: These kids can “fast forward” through the “extraneous” material. (Just be sure it truly is extraneous – don’t let them skip sections that may truly help!)
- Also, Teaching Textbooks programs have no index or glossary and no search function to more easily locate the topics you may want to find.

What if your students always understand everything upon first written presentation, and really don’t want to listen to a whiteboard presentation? We strongly urge you to buy the entire program anyway. Think of the CDs as your inexpensive tutorial backup – you won’t have to worry that your children might demand something of you for which you are unprepared ...

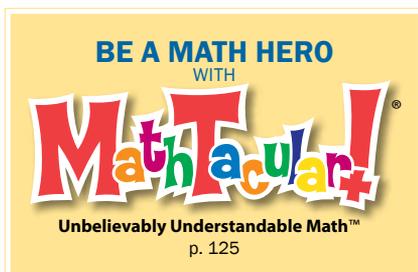
Please note that, due to restrictions by the publisher, Teaching Textbooks materials do not qualify for any Sonlight discounts. For details on topics covered, placement tests and more, please visit sonlight.com/teaching-textbooks.



“I love that Sonlight offers different options for math that can cater to your child’s personality and learning style,” writes Emily R of Magnolia, AR. “Isaac loves Singapore Math and I love that it caters to his individual learning style. Being able to color, trace, match, and a variety of other learning methods help him stay focused.” Isaac (4) is using Core A for kindergarten alongside Gideon (6), who is using it for first grade. Both boys also beg to join little sister Lucy for the Preschool Full-Grade Package because they love the books!



"I thoroughly enjoy the smile on Carl's face as his 'yee haw' tells me 'I like what I'm doing.'" writes Deborah H of Kremmling, CO. "In this photo Carl is wrapping up his school year with *Horizons 2 Math*. Carl enjoys *Horizons* and all of Sonlight's books. My older kids have specifically told me not to take Sonlight away from them. They enjoy their curriculum so much. Joy struggled a bit at first with Language Arts, but now it's her favorite subject. I like that my kids are loving to read, write and do their arithmetic!" Carl (9) and Joy (10) are now sharing Core C in their third year of Sonlight.



"I love that all the materials are included and the lesson plans are already done for you."
— Sally D., Aug. 2013

Horizons Math (Grades K-6)

For first-time homeschoolers, we recommend the grade-appropriate Horizons Math program for K-2.

Help your children understand math from the ground up. Horizons is easy to use, with a familiar and friendly approach for students, plus thorough guidance for you, the teacher. Each year's program consists of three pieces:

- Two colorful, well-organized workbooks, each with 80 lessons and 8 unit exams
- Teacher's Handbook (spiral-bound) with daily lesson plans, answer keys and final exams
- 80 reproducible worksheets

Use a proven "spiral learning" technique to first introduce your children to a concept, and then help them learn to solve related and increasingly difficult problems over the course of several days or weeks.

Children's minds are free to concentrate on each new concept as it comes, without feeling overwhelmed by too much information. Kids feel confident because they can take steady, measured steps. As they revisit concepts over time, they continually strengthen and reinforce their existing knowledge base.

Horizons was designed for homeschoolers, so you only need to purchase the basic program once for each grade. Along with reproducible worksheets, each package includes consumable workbooks you can order separately for additional students.

The program is also filled with helpful suggestions and great ideas, such as what ordinary household items you can recruit to serve as creative manipulatives. If you prefer, Sonlight offers ready-to-use kits that contain all the manipulatives you need in a convenient storage case.

You can view scope, sequence and sample pages at sonlight.com/horizons-math.

Potential Weakness

- For children who are especially sensitive to visual stimuli, Horizons' color illustrations may distract from learning. Saxon programs may prove more helpful in this regard. Singapore and Miquon are stronger at developing true understanding of math concepts. For "mental math" and "story problem" application, Singapore is more rigorous.



Singapore Math^{®1} (Grades K-12)

A distinguished record in international competition and the enthusiastic recommendations of customers convinced us to add Singapore math programs to our catalog.



In 1995, 1999, 2003 and 2007 the IEA (International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement) tested relative strengths and weaknesses of programs in various countries. Students of Singapore ranked #1 in math consistently.

Singapore is extremely clear, highly logical and sequential, with a strong focus on "mental math." Students get the appropriate amount of practice – without too much repetition. Challenging word problems build thinking skills and students apply math in a variety of situations. The program teaches geometry throughout. There's even a dedicated user community at singaporemath.com.

One year in the Singapore Primary Math programs (K-6) consists of two full-color textbooks (which many parents prefer to use as non-consumables), and two black and white consumable workbooks.

Sonlight has also developed unique Home Instructor's Guides for the Primary Math programs (2A-6B). These guides bridge the gap between textbook and workbook and walk you through them in a logical, step-by-step fashion. We lay it all out for you: concepts you'll cover in each unit, pages you'll reference, and numerous exercises to reinforce the concepts you're teaching.

To see sample pages, book subject indexes and programs not listed in this catalog, visit sonlight.com/math.

NOTE: Singapore Math is generally a year ahead of U.S. math programs. Most children need to begin Singapore Math with the "B" book of the year before! Before you choose a program, have your child take a free placement test at sonlight.com/singapore-placement-tests.

Due to restrictions from the publisher, Singapore Math materials do not qualify for Sonlight discounts.

Potential Weakness

- Sonlight provides Home Instructor's Guides for Levels 2A-6B, but lower levels have no teacher's manual (due to simplicity of the math). Also, many students require more review and drill than is contained in the main texts. That's why we provide supplementary materials for most Singapore Math programs.
- Also, though Sonlight offers the U.S. versions of Singapore Math, the sequence of concepts doesn't always follow a typical U.S. curriculum pattern. For instance, students may learn multiplication and division at the same time, rather than at different times of a semester.

1. Singapore Math[®] is a registered trademark of SingaporeMath.com, Inc.

Saxon Math (Grades K-12)

With Saxon, your students encounter new skills, concepts and principles each day, then review them (day after day) for weeks. Saxon’s approach helps build students’ confidence in their own ability to “do” math successfully. The program is extremely strong in areas of arithmetic computation and mathematical principles (i.e., the “distributive principle,” “commutative principle,” etc.).

Students of the program earn consistently high scores on standardized math tests. Saxon has proven its ability to help marginal students achieve relatively high scores on those same tests.

As teacher, you get lots of guidance on exactly what to say and do. In fact, Saxon Math is relatively easy to teach, and from 4th grade up requires very little parental involvement. The early elementary programs include – and require – a lot of manipulative activities. (Saxon doesn’t actually provide the items, so Sonlight offers complete kits we’ve created for you.)

Our Saxon Math homeschool packages include everything you need to teach one child. To use the program with additional or successive students, simply purchase additional consumable tests and worksheets. To see Saxon Math samples, placement tests, book subject indexes and programs not listed in this catalog, visit sonlight.com/saxon.

Potential Weaknesses

- For students who don’t require as much drill, Saxon can be ... boring. And in early elementary grades, it is relatively pricey. But mostly, compared to other programs on the market, it is weak on both application-oriented problem solving and “modern” presentation (use of charts, graphs, spreadsheets and other effective teaching tools).
- This is why we recommend Teaching Textbooks (p. 113) and, at the high school level, Thinkwell Math (see p. 116).

DIVE Into Math CD Instruction for Saxon

If you wish someone were there to help you teach your 4th grader, you’ve got a friend. Dr. David Shormann’s *DIVE Into Math* (DIVE stands for Digital Interactive Video Education) programs are designed to supplement each of the Saxon Math books, from Math 5/4 on up. As if they were attending a live classroom lecture, your students will hear Shormann’s voice and watch him make graphic presentations of similar problems on a digitized whiteboard screen on your computer.

Combine Dr. Shormann’s encouraging manner and on-screen illustrations with the tactile behavior of students writing out the problems themselves, and you’re maximizing the learning experience through the aural, visual and kines-

thetic paths to students’ minds! All of these elements together make for an outstanding learning environment.

As an experienced math and science teacher to homeschoolers, Dr. Shormann seems to have a good grasp on what students need to hear in order to understand the concepts. Though he usually uses the same methods that Saxon does to solve problems, sometimes he teaches alternative approaches, and he often offers tips to make things easier.

Shormann works out the examples, practice problems, and even a few specific problems from some days’ problem sets. He proceeds step-by-step with good explanations. He also provides his own practice problems so that, if students need extra practice, they can do the practice problems in the book as well.

Requires a computer with sound and Quick-Time player.

Additional Saxon DIVE Programs available online at sonlight.com/dive-into.

Key to ... (Grades 5-12)

Sometimes a certain concept or area of math study just doesn’t “stick” or needs more review. Sometimes you want to introduce an advanced student to more difficult topics. That’s what the Key to ... series is all about: inexpensive, sequentially-oriented and straightforward help on specialized topics.

The softbound student workbooks present concepts and problems in a friendly manner and allow students to work at their own pace. Vocabulary and reading level are simple; instructions are clear and direct; and only one concept is presented per page, so students have time to understand new ideas without being overwhelmed.

Each topic comes with a softbound instructor book to help you anticipate and resolve special problems that may arise during teaching. All answers are written out, just as if a student had worked them out, which is especially beneficial for students who can use the book to self-correct their work.

Use the Key to ... programs:

- As preparation for a larger, more intense program of the same subject.
- As a supplement for a regular hardbound text.
- As the text for an individualized course.
- Note: These are consumable workbooks.

See p. 123 or visit sonlight.com/key-to.



“We credit Sonlight for creating a love for learning in our family.”
– Teresa L, June 2013



“My daughter’s memory, attention span, and creativity have developed in leaps and bounds with Sonlight,” writes Tracy M of Cameron, NC. “I had homeschooled my older son for years and decided to try Sonlight with Betsy. I am so glad I did; she has blossomed this year! She often tells stories while she plays where she weaves elements of many different stories from her Sonlight books into one epic adventure. I love that my daughter’s idea of school is two people cuddled together with a book. My children love learning with Sonlight and I love teaching them!” Here, Betsy (5) plays school with Elijah (3). The family is using Core A and Core E in their second year of Sonlight.



“Sonlight has helped our family learn that education is not something that happens during a particular time or in a particular place,” writes Beverly J of Italy. “While the military has allowed us to experience learning in some unique places, it’s our commitment to being a Sonlight family that has provided the best possible means of helping our kids love to learn, no matter where they are! If it weren’t for Sonlight’s relaxed approach and emphasis on sharing good literature together, I could all too easily lean toward being a check-the-boxes homeschooling mom, trying to conform my kids to an educational formula.” The family started with Sonlight in 2005. When they took a recent day-trip to Cuma, it seemed apropos for Charis (12, Core F) to revisit an earlier Core favorite.



“Sonlight curriculum was the perfect choice for our family because it comes as a complete package with every piece you need and all the planning done for you,” writes Debra S of Richmond, VA. “Our family is a missionary team serving in the Bahamas, where we’ve spent many months aboard our 31-foot ministry sailboat. We’ve been using Sonlight with our daughters for approximately 7,000 nautical miles and are fully equipped for our boatschool, even in remote settings with no access to libraries or internet. As we sail along or sit in anchorage, we eagerly listen to the Read-Alouds or other elements of the curriculum, and have built our faith, knowledge and family unity in the process.” Now in their fifth Sonlight year, Rachel (10) and Stella (8) are studying Core D.



“Thanks to Sonlight’s training, my daughter Rachel is in the habit of integrating everything she learns into the ‘big picture’ of time and place,” writes Katherine R of Rochester, MN. “Before she can read anything, she looks at her timeline to understand where the story takes place in the context of history. She’ll also find the story’s location on the map. She loves to peruse *The Timeline Book* [RR120] from beginning to end. I feel she has a great grasp on the big picture.” In her fourth year of Sonlight, Rachel (7) uses Google to locate where *Little Pear* (from Core B) took place.

Thinkwell (Grades 11-12)

Thinkwell Math provides college-level, Internet-based video and text courses for both Windows and Mac users. These courses are remarkably inexpensive and include:

- More than 120 online based video tutorials (more than 40 hours of instructional material)
- Thousands of interactive questions (good as exercises or quizzes) – complete with instant feedback, answers and explanations
- Comprehensive, printable, full-color notes, plus online glossary and lecture transcripts
- Dynamic animations to help explain difficult concepts in novel, easy-to-grasp ways
- Links to other relevant web resources
- Online resources to help you manage, track and report your students’ progress

Dr. Edward Burger, a college professor (and former stand-up comedian), aims the Thinkwell math programs at a secular college audience. So you get some of the best in college classroom education ... and also some of its downsides.

Dr. Burger’s friendly, somewhat-loose style makes his high-energy lectures very easy to understand. He peppers his presentations with occasional one-liners, self-effacing side comments, and audio and graphic gags. Every now and then, he slips in one of the “lighter” crude words we hear in modern American society.

Online access is good for one student, for one year.

For more details about Thinkwell, see p. 123 or visit sonlight.com/thinkwell.

“The quality of the books, the flow of the material, and the ease for Mom to instruct have far surpassed our expectations. We feel confident in the quality of education Eli is receiving!”

— Kitty O, Aug. 2013

Miquon (Grades 1-4)

Miquon math programs emphasize patterns and relationships rather than pre-set formulas and methods. Using Cuisenaire Rods and unique graphic layouts, Miquon helps children discover those patterns and relationships with just a bit of guidance from their teacher (you) as necessary.

Some parents use Miquon as their core math program in the early elementary years because it covers all the standard subjects and more. When they finish the last book in the series, most students are well-prepared for the 4th-, and sometimes even the 5th-year books in competing programs. Along the way, they gain a profound understanding of basic math concepts.

For parents who want the reassurance of a traditional math program as base, Miquon provides a wonderful and fun supplemental teaching aid. Miquon is one of the best – if not the absolute best – programs to teach younger students how to think mathematically, for both advanced learners and those with learning challenges. Miquon uses all four arithmetic operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) beginning in the “first year,” and introduces algebraic notation, geometry, and diagram-reading in the first book.

Due to the difficulty of starting Miquon Math in midstream, the publishers – and we – urge you, if you are just beginning the program and have a child in second or third grade, start with the books from the prior grade. (See p.124)

You can see scope and sequence, sample pages and more at sonlight.com/miquon.

Potential Weaknesses

- If you or your child prefers a “just the facts, tell me what I need to know so I can get on with it” approach to math instruction, Miquon’s discovery-oriented approach will drive you crazy. It requires curiosity, flexibility and an attitude of openness to inquiry and investigation.
- It requires more time from the parent than competitive programs. The publisher recommends that parents and children work together as a team to share ideas and discoveries.
- Does not cover long division.

Math K

Ages 5 | 6 | 7

Horizons K Program HKM \$179.93
Included in Sonlight® Kindergarten Full-Grade Package. Includes the 3 items listed.

Horizons Math K KM30 \$69.95
Students learn to count by 1's, 5's, 10's, 2's and 4's to 100; recognize and write all families to 100; add or subtract a single digit without regrouping; identify colors and shapes; name the days of the week and more. Includes Teacher's Handbook.

- Student Workbook 1** Consumable KM31 \$18.95
- Student Workbook 2** Consumable KM32 \$18.95
- Reproducible Worksheets** KM33 \$9.95

Manipulatives Kit for Horizons Math K KM35 \$84.99
Your students can use all of these hands-on objects (everything from safety scissors and 12" ruler to 3D shapes and Base Ten blocks) with their Horizons Math K program. Heavy-stock flash cards teach ordinal numbers, addition and subtraction. Includes easy-to-use schedule and instructions, too. Store kit neatly in its sturdy box. | 

MathTacular® (DVD) RM32 \$24.99
Learn about addition, subtraction, place value, estimating, ordinal numbers, fractions, mass, area, money and more. This DVD (over 4 hours) teaches math concepts from every Math K program we carry. Check out our one-of-a-kind MathTacular® series on page 125. | 

OR

Singapore K Program KMUS \$109.93
Includes the 5 items listed.

Earlybird A Consumable KMS11 \$30.00

Earlybird B Consumable KMS12 \$30.00

Pattern Blocks RM09 \$29.95
250 brightly colored, heavy-duty plastic geometric shapes that make wonderful "mosaic" designs and lend themselves to great hands-on learning of math concepts from counting to geometry. Kids love them! Set includes two 4" x 6" mirrors (help see symmetry). | 

Pattern Block Cards RM12 \$8.99
20 mosaic puzzles of varying difficulty to work out with pattern blocks. Non-consumable, 8½" x 11" cards | 

Patternables RM11 \$10.99
Use your Pattern Blocks to complete a variety of "puzzles" in fun shapes like animals, flowers and rockets. More difficult than Pattern Block Cards. Non-consumable | Pb.

OR

Saxon K Program KMS \$163.98
Includes the 2 items listed.

Math K Homeschool Kit KM08 \$86.99
Kit includes teacher's manual (with complete schedule) and consumable meeting book (consumed each time the course is taught, not per student).

Meeting Book K Consumable KM09 \$18.75

Manipulatives Set S KM07 \$76.99
Complete set of manipulatives for use with the Saxon Math K-3 programs. Includes a plastic balance (used K-2); two student clocks (K-3); set of 10 two-colored plastic counters (K-3); 48 one-inch plastic Teddy Bear counters (K); one set of dominoes (K); two geoboards with rubber bands (K-2); one laminated hundreds chart (K-3); 100 three-quarter-inch, multicolor, multilink cubes (K-1); set of 100 solid-plastic pattern blocks (K-3); two flexible, clear-plastic angle rulers that measure inches, centimeters and degrees of angle (K-3+); four sets of plastic tangrams, one tangram in each of four different colors (K-2); 100 one-inch, multicolor tiles (K-3). Plus a sturdy box to store everything! | 

Math 1

Ages 6 | 7 | 8

Horizons 1 Program H1M \$184.94
Included in Sonlight® Grade 1 Full-Grade Package. Includes the 2 items listed.

Horizons Math 1 1M30 \$79.95
Your children will count 1-100 with a variety of number sets; count by 1's from 100-200; learn ordinal and cardinal numbers; add vertically and horizontally carrying in 1's column; subtract vertically and horizontally without borrowing; and understand basic fractions, sets, shapes, graphs and units of measure. Includes Teacher's Handbook.

- Student Wkbook 1** Consumable 1M31 \$18.95
- Student Wkbook 2** Consumable 1M32 \$18.95
- Reproducible Worksheets** 1M33 \$9.95

Manipulatives Kit for Horizons Math 1-3 RM35 \$104.99
Teach three full years of Horizons Math (grades 1-3) with this one resource kit – complete with schedule and instructions for every step of the way. Heavy-stock flash cards teach multiplication, division and Roman numerals. Also included: thermometer, geared clock, platform scale and more. If you already have the Math K kit (KM35), skip this item and instead order the "filler" kit (RM40) to save yourself the cost of several duplicate items. When math (or play) is over, keep your kit together in its sturdy box. | 

Optional Resource (if you own KM35)

Manipulatives "Filler" Kit for Horizons Math 1-3 RM40 \$59.99
Money-Saving Tip: If you already have the Horizons Math K kit (KM35), simply add this set. You'll have everything you'd get in our Horizons Math 1-3 kit (RM35 above), without having to buy several duplicate items. | 

OR



"Sonlight has created a love of reading and exploring in all our kids, including our youngest who will just be starting to homeschool," writes Eibunoluwa W of Pataskala, OH. "Jadon (5) loves to build with the math manipulatives while he listens to the older kids learn their Bible verses and learn about various peoples and lands. We have been using Sonlight for over four years and we love the curriculum." Though Jadon is just starting Sonlight, he has been listening in to his older siblings' learning for years. Here, he builds a math manipulatives fort with Jonathan (7).



From music to art and more, round out your homeschool with Electives.
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"We deeply value that Sonlight allows both parents to be involved in teaching," writes Cassey P of New Albany, IN. "It's just as easy for Dad to come home and read as it is for Mom to incorporate a book into the 'school day.' The world is our classroom, and Sonlight is our ship! We're not bound by schedules or testing requirements or any of the trappings of traditional schooling. We can easily explore concepts we've read about in our Sonlight books. Having such freedom to educate our children when, where and how we want is a treasure!" Reading about frogs is nice; exploring a real frog habitat is exciting and enduring. In their first Sonlight year, Ellison (2) is using P3/4 while Kelton (5) studies Core A.



“Math came very naturally to our three sons thanks to *Singapore Math*,” writes Renee S of Ontario, Canada. “*Singapore* worked well, as it encourages mental usage of the numbers. However, math did not come easily to Ashley. Thanks to Sonlight for guiding us and making additional help available, such as the Vroot & Vroom and Wiggle Woods CDs [Singapore supplements #RM168 and #RM169]. Ashley has become very confident and accomplished in her math skills.” In this photo from several years ago, Dad spends some quality time with Ashley helping her with math. She is now 11 years old and studying Core H.



“I love that Sonlight gives us everything we need – from the fabulous *Instructor’s Guides to hands-on Math and Science manipulatives*,” writes Nikki B of Richlands, NC. “This is our first year homeschooling. My children love to read and the books have really captured their attention. We’ve only been using the Sonlight program four weeks and have already made cave paintings, fossils and a volcano. We even dressed up as ancient Romans and laid down on the floor to have our own Roman dinner party. Sonlight is fantastic and I can’t wait to see what else is in store!” During Science A study, the family was lucky enough to discover tadpoles in their backyard. Along with Dad, Samantha (7), Gregory (5), Danielle (4), James (3) and Connor (2) were delighted to track their development into frogs!

- Singapore 1 Program** 1M2US \$57.39
Includes the 5 items listed.
- Primary Math 1A** 1MAUS \$23.60
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one full-color, non-consumable pb textbook; answer key.
 - 1A Textbook** 1MUS11 \$11.80
 - 1A Workbook** Consumable 1MUS12 \$11.80
- Primary Math 1B** 1MBUS \$23.60
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one full-color, non-consumable pb textbook; answer key.
 - 1B Textbook** 1MUS21 \$11.80
 - 1B Workbook** Consumable 1MUS22 \$11.80
- Clock Face** RM05 \$0.99
4" laminated clock face (with hands) – useful for teaching how to tell time.
- Numbers Chart with Activities** RM6 \$2.20
Great tool for explaining base-10 system and place values. Play Bingo number games and more. Includes durable, laminated-cardstock chart with 10-by-10-unit grids (labeled 0-99), plus activity sheet with instructions for 33 carefully-sequenced activities.
- Addition & Subtraction Flash Cards** RM07 \$7.00
Sturdy sets of 50 large, double-sided problem cards plus four “game” cards explaining games that increase interest in memorizing math facts.
 - Addition Cards** RM071 \$3.50
 - Subtraction Cards** RM072 \$3.50

Recommended Resource

- Rainbow Rock** RM167 \$25.00
Bronze medal-winner in the Educational and Computer Science category of an international interactive multimedia competition. Covers the subject matter of Primary Math 1A-2B in exciting activities and two fast-paced games on CD-ROM. Covers counting; mental calculation; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; using fractions; shape and pattern recognition; spatial visualization; and solving word problems. See p.124 for system requirements.



- Saxon 1 Program** 1MS \$209.24
Includes the 2 items listed.
- Math 1 Homeschool Kit** 1M02 \$132.25
Kit includes teacher’s manual, student workbooks, meeting book and math facts cards (flash cards). First edition. Workbooks and meeting book are consumable (meeting book is consumed each time the course is taught; not per student).
 - Math 1 Wkbks & Fact Cards** Consumable 1MOSW \$38.85
 - Math 1 Meeting Book** Consumable 1M09 \$18.75
- Required Resource** (if you don’t already own from K)
- Manipulatives Set S** KM07 \$76.99
See Saxon Math K for full description.

Math 2

Ages 7 | 8 | 9

- Horizons 2 Program** H2M \$202.43
Included in Sonlight® Grade 2 Full-Grade Package. Includes the 3 items listed.
- Horizons Math 2** 2M30 \$79.95
Students use different number sets to: count to 100; count by 1’s from 100-999; learn multiplication facts 1-10; find temperature in Fahrenheit; use coins and dollar bills in money calculations; and recognize and find area, perimeter and volume. Includes Teacher’s Handbook.
 - Student Wkbook 1** Consumable 2M31 \$18.95
 - Student Wkbook 2** Consumable 2M32 \$18.95
 - Reproducible Worksheets** 2M33 \$9.95

- Manipulatives Kit for Horizons Math 1-3** RM35 \$104.99
See Math 1 for full description.

- MathTacular®2 (DVD)** RM33 \$17.49
Learn more than 20 math concepts in this 2-hour DVD: money, time, place value, statistics, area, perimeter, graphs, estimating, basic geometry and more. Learn more about our MathTacular® DVD series on page 125.

Optional Resource (if you own KM35)

- Manipulatives “Filler” Kit for Horizons Math 1-3** RM40 \$59.99
See Horizons Math 1 for full description.



- Singapore 2 Program** 2M2US \$102.17
Includes the 3 items listed.
- Primary Math 2A** 2MAUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one full-color, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor’s Guide.
 - 2A Textbook** 2MUS11 \$11.80
 - 2A Workbook** Consumable 2MUS12 \$11.80
 - 2A Home Instructor’s Guide** 2M14 \$17.49
- Primary Math 2B** 2MBUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one full-color, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor’s Guide.
 - 2B Textbook** 2MUS21 \$11.80
 - 2B Workbook** Consumable 2MUS22 \$11.80
 - 2B Home Instructor’s Guide** 2M24 \$17.49

- Gram/cm Cubes Kit** RM04 \$19.99
Approximately 400 plastic cubes that measure 1 cm³, have a mass of one gram, and displace one milliliter of water. Assortment of 10 colors. Cubes attach on several sides to form larger cubes or other objects. Ideally suited for demonstrating mathematical concepts, weighing, measuring, volume/density experiments, etc. Kids can also build structures or use them for color-pattern puzzles. Includes instructions for more than two dozen carefully sequenced activities.

Recommended Resource

Rainbow Rock RM167 \$25.00
See Singapore Math 1 for full description.



Saxon 2 Program 2MS \$192.24
Includes the 2 items listed.

Math 2 Homeschool Kit 2M06 \$132.25
Includes teacher's manual, student workbooks, meeting book, and math facts cards (flash cards).

Workbooks & Fact Cards 2
Consumable 2MOSW \$37.75

Meeting Book 2 Consumable 2M07 \$18.75

Manipulatives Set S2 2M05 \$59.99
Complete set of manipulatives for use with the Saxon Math 2-3 programs only.

Math 3

Ages 8 | 9 | 10

Teaching Textbooks 3 3M20 \$119.90
Included in Sonlight® Grade 3 Full-Grade Package.

Teach all topics normally covered in 3rd grade: whole numbers, fractions, decimals, percents, units of measure, and simple geometry. Students watch video lectures on CD-ROM, and then enter their answer to each workbook problem in the computer, which records their grades automatically. When they need help or review, you've got a printed Answer Key, plus audiovisual solutions for every homework and quiz problem on 4 CD-ROMs. For Windows PC and Mac. Learn more on page 113.

Teaching Textbooks Math 3 Workbook
Consumable 3M22 \$39.95



Horizons 3 Program H3M \$184.94
Includes the 2 items listed.

Horizons Math 3 3M30 \$79.95
Lessons cover word numbers up to 1,000,000 and explain order principle, parentheses, distributive property, and positive and negative numbers. The scope for 3 also includes division facts 1-10, advanced multiplication with two-, three-, and four-digit multipliers, and illustrates volume of a cube and rectangular prism. Includes Teacher's Handbook.

Student Workbook 1 Consumable 3M31 \$18.95

Student Workbook 2 Consumable 3M32 \$18.95

Reproducible Worksheets 3M33 \$9.95

Manipulatives Kit for Horizons Math 1-3 RM35 \$104.99
See Horizons Math 1 for full description.

Optional Resource (If you own KM35)

Manipulatives "Filler" Kit for Horizons Math 1-3 RM40 \$59.99
See Horizons Math 1 for full description.



Singapore 3 Program 3M2US \$89.18
Includes the 3 items listed.

Primary Math 3A 3MAUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and pink, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor's Guide.

3A Textbook 3MUS11 \$11.80

3A Workbook Consumable 3MUS12 \$11.80

3A Home Instructor's Guide 3M14 \$17.49

Primary Math 3B 3MBUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and pink, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor's Guide.

3B Textbook 3MUS21 \$11.80

3B Workbook Consumable 3MUS22 \$11.80

3B Home Instructor's Guide 3M24 \$17.49

Multiplication & Division Flash Cards RM08 \$7.00

Sturdy sets of 50 large, double-sided problem cards plus four "game" cards explaining games that increase interest in memorizing math facts (multiplication); 90 cards plus one "game" card (division).

Multiplication Cards RM081 \$3.50

Division Cards RM082 \$3.50

Recommended Resource

Vroot and Vroom RM168 \$25.00
Covers the subject matter of Primary Math 3A-4B in exciting activities and two fast-paced games on CD-ROM. Covers angles, area and perimeter, fractions, graphs, problem solving, solid figures and symmetry. See p.124 for system requirements.



Saxon 3 Program 3MS \$166.49
Includes the 2 items listed.

Math 3 Homeschool Kit 3M09 \$136.50
Kit includes teacher's manual, student workbooks, and meeting book and math facts cards (flash cards). First edition. Workbooks and meeting book are consumable (meeting book is consumed each time the course is taught; not per student).

Math 3 Wkbks & Fact Cards
Consumable 3MOSW \$37.75

Math 3 Meeting Book
Consumable 3M10 \$18.75

Manipulatives Set S3 3M07 \$29.99
Complete set of manipulatives for use with the Saxon Math program in grade 3 only. Includes everything in Kit 2M05, with the exception of plastic balance, geoboards, and tangrams.



"The Sonlight Instructor's Guides have relieved much of the stress of teaching," write Keri S of Newark, OH. "My husband can jump right in and help because the information is well-organized and easy to follow. Not coming from an evangelical Christian background, we worried that the missionary component might be too much for our liking. On the contrary, we love how it breaks us out of our 'American bubble.' The stories have been so strengthening to our faith! It just reaffirms that God is not white or any other race, but an eternal God who loves variety in His family." In their second year of Sonlight, Caleb (4) is using Core A, while Sarah (7), Chloe (9) and Abigail (9) share Core D. Here, they work together on a buzzer circuit experiment from Science C.



"I know that even at a very young age, my kids are getting an excellent, well-rounded education ... just from listening to these wonderful stories!" writes Sara S of Huntington Beach, CA. "We love that Sonlight introduces us to books that we would have never known about. Before deploying to the Middle East this past spring, my husband wanted family portraits taken. The photographer asked us to bring props that show the essence of our family, and we knew we had to take one of our Sonlight books." Ava (5) and Delaney (4) are starting their second Sonlight year, with the P4/5 Full-Grade Package. Here, they eagerly absorb Dad's rendition of *Hans Christian Andersen's Fairy Tales* from P3/4.

PRACTICAL HELP FOR HOMESCHOOLERS

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Math 4

Ages 9 | 10 | 11

 Teaching Textbooks 4 +

MathTacular3 Program T4M \$144.89
Included in Sonlight® Grade 4 Full-Grade Package. Includes the 2 items listed.

Teaching Textbooks 4 4M20 \$119.90
Teach all topics normally covered in 4th grade: whole numbers, fractions, percents, units of measure, simple geometry and more. Students watch video lectures on CD-ROM, do practice problems in the 640-page workbook, and then take quizzes on your computer—which records their grade automatically. When they need help or review, you’ve got a printed Answer Key plus audiovisual solutions for every homework and quiz problem on 4 CD-ROMs. For Windows PC and Mac. Learn more on page 113.

Teaching Textbooks Math 4 Workbook
Consumable 4M22 \$39.95

MathTacular®3 (DVD) RM37 \$24.99
Learn more than 50 math concepts in this fun DVD (nearly 4 hours): prime numbers, factors, angles, coordinate planes, time zones, conversion, long division and more! Find all three MathTacular® DVDs on page 125.

OR



“I’m so glad to have Instructor’s Guides that are clearly laid out yet give me flexibility if I want to tweak the program a bit,” writes Joanna K of Chad. “As our children approached the school years, I was intimidated about the thought of homeschooling. The first year we did a workbook-heavy curriculum and hated it. Then a friend recommended Sonlight. I took one look at the books and was sold! Thanks for taking something that I was NOT excited about and making it an adventure of learning together.” Now in their sixth year of Sonlight, Joshua (11) and Zachary (9) are sharing Core E while Marianna (7) and Katelyn (5) share Core B.

Horizons 4 Program H4M \$194.93
Includes the 3 items listed.

Horizons Math 4 4M30 \$79.95
Students multiply 2-digit times 2-digit with carrying, divide with 2-digit divisor and quotient, and add and subtract with unlike fractions. Also contains graphing, equations, and pre-algebra concepts. Includes Teacher’s Handbook.

Student Workbook 1 Consumable 4M31 \$18.95
 Student Workbook 2 Consumable 4M32 \$18.95
 Reproducible Worksheets 4M33 \$9.95

Math 4 Manipulatives Kit 4M35 \$89.99
The boxed manipulatives set for the Horizons 4 Math program contains a 60-inch tape measure, folding meter-stick, compass, pad of graph paper, platform scale and more. Storage box included.

MathTacular®3 (DVD) RM37 \$24.99
Learn more than 50 math concepts in this fun DVD (nearly 4 hours): prime numbers, factors, angles, coordinate planes, time zones, conversion, long division and more! Find all three MathTacular® DVDs on page 125.

OR

Singapore 4 Program 4M2US \$86.93
Includes the 3 items listed.

Primary Math 4A 4MAUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and blue, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor’s Guide.

4A Textbook 4MUS11 \$11.80
 4A Workbook Consumable 4MUS12 \$11.80
 4A Home Instructor’s Guide 4M14 \$17.49

Primary Math 4B 4MBUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and blue, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor’s Guide.

4B Textbook 4MUS21 \$11.80
 4B Workbook Consumable 4MUS22 \$11.80
 4B Home Instructor’s Guide 4M24 \$17.49

8-Piece Protractor, Compass, Triangle Set RM68 \$4.75
Tools you’ll find useful in all upper-level math programs. Includes protractor, compass, two triangles, straight-edge, pencil, eraser and sharpener, all in a convenient plastic case.

Recommended Resource

Vroot and Vroom RM168 \$25.00
See Singapore Math 3 for full description.

OR

ONE-YEAR see p. 24
MONEY-BACK
LOVE TO LEARN, LOVE TO TEACH
GUARANTEE

Saxon 5/4 Program 4MS \$169.45
Includes the 2 items listed.

Saxon 5/4 Homeschool Kit 4M04 \$114.50
Softbound student edition, Tests/Worksheets, Solutions Manual. Third edition.

Tests/Worksheets 5/4
Consumable 4M041 \$28.25

DIVE CD Math 5/4 4M043 \$54.95
(Windows and Mac; 3rd Edition)

Required Resource

Cuisenaire Rods 4M05 \$11.99
74 rectangular plastic rods that vary from one unit (a cube) to ten units in length. Each length comes in a specific color (the one-unit length is always white; the two-unit length, red; etc.). By manipulating the rods, children are able to see, in a neutral, physical form, what happens on the theoretical level when they add, subtract, multiply and divide. Useful to teach place value and general numerics – or for just playing around!

Math 5

Ages 10 | 11 | 12

Teaching Textbooks 5 5M20 \$119.90
Included in Sonlight® Grade 5 Full-Grade Package.

Teach all topics normally covered in 5th grade: whole numbers, fractions, decimals, percents, units of measure and simple geometry. Students watch video lectures on CD-ROM, and then enter their answer to each workbook problem in the computer, which records their grades automatically. When they need help or review, you’ve got a printed Answer Key, plus audiovisual solutions for every homework and quiz problem on 4 CD-ROMs. For Windows PC and Mac. Learn more on page 113.

Teaching Textbooks Math 5 Workbook
Consumable 5M22 \$39.95

OR

“The moments when their eyes light up with understanding and their growing understanding of God’s love keep us going, even when we are having our most difficult days.”

—Danica G, Aug. 2013



Horizons 5 Program H5M \$179.94
Includes the 2 items listed.

Horizons Math 5 5M30 \$79.95
Students write simple ratios; add and subtract fractions with uncommon denominators; use a compass and protractor; calculate probability with one variable; understand percentages; and recognize place value to a hundred billion. Includes Teacher's Handbook.

- Student Workbook 1** Consumable 5M31 \$18.95
- Student Workbook 2** Consumable 5M32 \$18.95
- Reproducible Worksheets** 5M33 \$9.95

Math 5 Manipulatives Kit 5M35 \$99.99
Complete, boxed set of manipulatives for use with the Horizons 5 Math program includes a plastic protractor, index cards, 4-inch geared mini-clock, set of 100 centimeter-cubes and construction paper pad. Storage box included.

OR

Singapore 5 Program 5M2US \$79.78
Includes the 2 items listed.

Primary Math 5A 5MAUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and green, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor's Guide.

- 5A Textbook** 5MUS11 \$11.80
- 5A Workbook** Consumable 5MUS12 \$11.80
- 5A Home Instructor's Guide** 5M14 \$17.49

Primary Math 5B 5MBUS \$38.69
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and green, non-consumable pb textbook; Home Instructor's Guide.

- 5B Textbook** 5MUS21 \$10.60
- 5B Workbook** Consumable 5MUS22 \$10.60
- 5B Home Instructor's Guide** 5M24 \$17.49

Required Resource

8-Piece Protractor, Compass, Triangle Set RM68 \$4.75
See Singapore Math 4 for full description.

Recommended Resource

Wiggle Woods RM169 \$25.00
Terrible name, I know, but this CD-ROM does cover the subject matter of Primary Math 5A-6B by means of exciting activities and two fast-paced games. Covers ratios, area of a triangle, percentages, speed and circles. See p.124 for system requirements.

OR

Saxon 6/5 Program 5MS \$169.45
Includes the 2 items listed.

Saxon 6/5 Homeschool Kit 5M04 \$114.50
Softbound student edition, Tests/Worksheets, Solutions Manual. Third edition.

- Math 6/5 Tests/Worksheets** Consumable 5M041 \$28.25
- DIVE CD Math 6/5** 5M043 \$54.95
(Windows and Mac; 3rd Edition)

Required Resource

8-Piece Protractor, Compass, Triangle Set RM68 \$4.75
See Math 4 for full description.

Math 6

Ages 11 | 12 | 13

Teaching Textbooks 6 + MathTacular4 Program T6M \$199.89
Includes the 2 items listed.

Teaching Textbooks 6 6M20 \$149.90
Teach all topics normally covered in 6th grade: fractions, decimals, percents, graphs, probability, simple geometry, units of measure, equations and more. Students watch video lectures on CD-ROM, do problems in the 623-page workbook, and then enter their answers on your computer, which records their grade automatically. When they need help or review, you've got a printed Answer Key, plus audiovisual solutions for every homework and quiz problem on 4 CD-ROMs. For Windows PC and Mac. Learn more on page 113.

Teaching Textbooks Math 6 Wkbook Consumable 6M22 \$39.95

MathTacular®4: Word Problems (DVD, Workbook & Answer Key) RM4A \$49.99
Watch your students' fear disappear, as they learn a simple method to tackle word problems. In this hilarious mystery, Detective Justin Time and Amber Waves must crack the code of word problems and find a pork-napped pig! The accompanying Workbook and Answer Key let kids work alongside the sleuths and gain mastery of word problems. DVD for ages 9-18/grade 4 and up. Workbook for grade 6 and up.

OR

Horizons 6 Program H6M \$154.94
Includes the 2 items listed.

Horizons Math 6 6M30 \$79.95
The scope for Horizons 6 includes geometric construction of angles, triangles, squares and other shapes; exposure to integers; addition and subtraction with 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 digits; addition and subtraction of equations; and more challenging problem solving. Includes Teacher's Handbook.

- Student Workbook 1** Consumable 6M31 \$18.95
- Student Workbook 2** Consumable 6M32 \$18.95
- Reproducible Worksheets** 6M33 \$9.95

Math 6 Manipulatives Kit 6M35 \$74.99
The boxed set of manipulatives for use with the Horizons 6 Math program includes platform scale, compass, pad of graph paper, two-color plastic counters, thermometer and more. Storage box included.

OR

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"Sarita picks only the best of the best, and they captivate my children's attention," writes Melonie L of Hoffmeister, NY. "By the pond, at the playground or before bed - reading is fun, especially with Sonlight books! They're always asking me to read 'just one more.' Every now and then, big brother James will take a turn and read aloud to them. That's what I like about Sonlight: strong relationships are made stronger through reading together." James (13, Core F), Keturah and Elorah (6 and 5, P4/5 Full-Grade) have been bonding together with Sonlight for four years.

"Our first year of homeschooling has brought us closer together as a family and drawn our hearts closer to God."
— Manesseh F, Aug. 2013

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on everything when you purchase a Core Package
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“Sonlight has been a life-changing curriculum for our family,” writes Dawn S of Seaside, CA. “Five of our children have graduated and our younger children are fortunate to have older siblings who can relate and fellowship over the books they’re using. They have a bond through Sonlight books that will last when their families someday visit each other. My 22-year-old daughter recently said, ‘Mom, make sure the kids take care of those [books], I want them for my kids one day.’ What powerful words; I’ve never heard any of my children say that about the dry, daunting texts we previously used!” Isaiah’s (9, Core D+E) interest in and knowledge of railroads broadened immensely through *The Landmark History of the American People*.



“Sonlight’s lesson plans, study guides and teacher helps saved our homeschool,” writes Shelly C of Grandview, MO. “After our first year of patchworking together a curriculum, my husband said, ‘If this is what homeschooling will require of you, we won’t be continuing!’ Then a friend introduced us to Sonlight while we were on furlough from the mission field and we fell in love with it. No more patchwork – Sonlight saved my sanity! Three high school graduates later (with three more to go), we’re STILL loving Sonlight.” In the family’s twelfth year of Sonlight study, Deborah (13, Core G) enjoys a good read in the strawberry patch.

Singapore 6 Program 6M2US \$97.58
Includes the 3 items listed.

Primary Math 6A 6MAUS \$41.09
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and purple, non-consumable pb textbook, Home Instructor’s Guide.

- 6A Textbook** 6MUS11 \$11.80
- 6A Workbook** Consumable 6MUS12 \$11.80
- 6A Home Instructor’s Guide** 6M14 \$17.49

Primary Math 6B 6MBUS \$38.69
Includes one b&w consumable pb workbook; one b&w and purple, non-consumable pb textbook, Home Instructor’s Guide.

- 6B Textbook** 6MUS21 \$10.60
- 6B Workbook** Consumable 6MUS22 \$10.60
- 6B Home Instructor’s Guide** 6M24 \$17.49

Key To Percents® (Grades 4-12) RM500 \$17.80
Includes all three consumable workbooks in the series below, plus the non-consumable Answers and Notes volume.

- 1: Percent Concepts** RM501 \$3.95
- 2: Percents and Fractions** RM502 \$3.95
- 3: Percents and Decimals** RM503 \$3.95
- Answers & Notes for Books 1-3** RM505 \$5.95

Required Resource

8-Piece Protractor, Compass, Triangle Set RM68 \$4.75
See Singapore Math 4 for full description.

Recommended Resource

Wiggle Woods RM169 \$25.00
See Singapore Math 5 for full description.

OR

Saxon 7/6 Program 6MS \$181.70
Includes the 2 items listed.

Saxon 7/6 Homeschool Kit 6M04 \$126.75
Softbound student edition, Tests/Worksheets, Solutions Manual. Fourth edition.

Math 7/6 Tests/Worksheets Consumable 6M041 \$35.00

DIVE CD Math 7/6 6M043 \$54.95
(Windows and Mac; 4th Edition)

Required Resource

8-Piece Protractor, Compass, Triangle Set RM68 \$4.75
See Math 4 for full description.

Middle School/High School Math

Ages 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18

Teaching Textbooks

7th Grade 7M20 \$149.90
More on fractions, percents, decimals, probability and graphs, plus statistics, inequalities, geometry and real-world math. 588-page (consumable¹) textbook, answer booklet and 4 CD-ROMs with 115 animated lectures, automatic grading and step-by-step solutions to every homework and quiz problem. For Windows PC and Mac.

Teaching Textbooks Math 7 Textbook and Wkbook Consumable 7M22 \$39.95

Pre-Algebra (7th or 8th grade) 7M10 \$184.90
Prepare for algebra with simple equations, powers, polynomials and much more. More than 120 hours of instruction and 139 lessons on 10 interactive CDs with lectures, problems, step-by-step solutions, tests and automated grading. Includes a 750-page student workbook, answer key and 17 chapter tests. Version 2.0. Windows and Mac compatible.

Teaching Textbooks Pre-Algebra Textbook and Answer Key 7M101 \$59.95

Algebra 1 (9th grade) 171-10 \$184.90
Learn algebra basics, exponents, quadratic equations, probability and much more. More than 120 hours of instruction and 142 lessons on 10 interactive CDs with lectures, problems, step-by-step solutions, tests and automated grading. Includes a 773-page student workbook, answer key and 19 chapter tests. Version 2.0. Windows and Mac compatible.

Teaching Textbooks Algebra 1 Textbook and Answer Key 171-101 \$59.95

Algebra 2 (10th grade) 271-10 \$184.90
Continue algebra mastery with higher-degree equations, additional variables, logarithms and much more. More than 120 hours of instruction and 137 lessons on 12 interactive CDs with lectures, problems, step-by-step solutions, tests and automated grading. Includes a 724-page student workbook, answer key and 18 chapter tests. Version 2.0. Windows and Mac compatible.

Teaching Textbooks Algebra 2 Textbook and Answer Key 271-101 \$59.95

Geometry (11th grade) 371-11 \$184.90
Equip students in deeper concepts of geometry. 753-page workbook, answer key/test bank booklet, 4 CD-ROMs with animated lectures and practice problems, and 7 CD-ROMs with audiovisual solutions to every homework and test problem. For Windows and Mac.

Teaching Textbooks Geometry Textbook and Answer Key 371-111 \$59.95

Pre-Calculus (12th grade) 471-20 \$184.90
High schoolers with a gift or love for math can soar into advanced concepts and get ready for college-level Calculus: 906-page workbook, answer key/test bank booklet, 4 CD-ROMs filled with audiovisual practice problems, and 8 CD-ROMs with audiovisual solutions to every homework and test problem. For Windows and Mac.

1. Textbooks are consumable if your student writes in the book. Can be re-used if your student does work on another paper.

- Teaching Textbooks** 471-21 \$79.95
Pre-Calculus Textbook and Answer Key

Thinkwell

- Calculus Complete** 571-11 \$179.00
Includes full College Calculus I and II – two full semesters of college coursework (approximately two years of high school math).

Resources

When your child needs a little extra instruction in a particular topic, check out these useful supplements:

Key to ...

- Key To Algebra®** RM100 \$57.35
Includes all 10 consumable workbooks in the series below, plus the three non-consumable Answers and Notes volumes. Grades: 5-12.

- 1: Operations on Integers** RM101 \$3.95
- 2: Variables, Terms, and Expressions** RM102 \$3.95
- 3: Equations** RM103 \$3.95
- 4: Polynomials** RM104 \$3.95
- 5: Rational Numbers** RM105 \$3.95
- 6: Multiplying and Dividing Rational Expressions** RM106 \$3.95
- 7: Adding and Subtracting Rational Expressions** RM107 \$3.95
- 8: Graphs** RM108 \$3.95
- 9: Systems of Equations** RM109 \$3.95
- 10: Square Roots and Quadratic Equations** RM110 \$3.95
- Answers and Notes for Books 1-4** RM111 \$5.95
- Answers and Notes for Books 5-7** RM112 \$5.95
- Answers and Notes for Books 8-10** RM113 \$5.95
- Workbooks 1-10 only** RM10X \$39.50

- Key To Measurements®** RM600 \$21.75
For the English/imperial system of measurement. Students learn how the measuring systems work and do engaging activities related to the various measurements. Includes all four consumable workbooks in the series below, plus the non-consumable Answers and Notes volume. Grades 5-12.

- 1: English Units of Length** RM601 \$3.95
- 2: Measuring Length & Perimeter** RM602 \$3.95
- 3: Finding Area & Volume** RM603 \$3.95
- 4: English Units for Weight, Capacity, Temperature, & Time** RM604 \$3.95
- Answers & Notes for Books 1-4** RM605 \$5.95
- Workbooks 1-4 only** RM60X \$15.80

- Key To Fractions®** RM300 \$21.75
Includes all four consumable workbooks in the series below, plus the non-consumable Answers and Notes volume. Grades 4-12.

- 1: Fraction Concepts** RM301 \$3.95
- 2: Multiplying and Dividing** RM302 \$3.95
- 3: Adding and Subtracting** RM303 \$3.95
- 4: Mixed Numbers** RM304 \$3.95
- Answers and Notes for Books 1-4** RM305 \$5.95
- Workbooks 1-4 only** RM30X \$15.80

- Key To Decimals®** RM400 \$21.75
Includes all four consumable workbooks in the series below, plus the non-consumable Answers and Notes volume. Grades 4-12.

- 1: Decimal Concepts** RM401 \$3.95
- 2: Adding, Subtracting, and Multiplying** RM402 \$3.95
- 3: Dividing** RM403 \$3.95
- 4: Using Decimals** RM404 \$3.95
- Answers & Notes for Books 1-4** RM405 \$5.95
- Workbooks 1-4 only** RM40X \$15.80

- Key To Percents®** RM500 \$17.80
Includes all three consumable workbooks in the series below, plus the non-consumable Answers and Notes volume. Grades 4-12.

- 1: Percent Concepts** RM501 \$3.95
- 2: Percents and Fractions** RM502 \$3.95
- 3: Percents and Decimals** RM503 \$3.95
- Answers & Notes for Books 1-3** RM505 \$5.95
- Workbooks 1-3 only** RM50X \$11.85

Singapore Math®

Supplements

Students of Singapore Math succeed not only because of the great curriculum they have to work with, but also because of the practice problems they do outside the base curriculum.

We carry the following materials (US Editions) to permit you to acquire the same “extra” practice.

Primary Mathematics Intensive Practice

These exercises provide a wide variety of questions to enhance the concepts covered in Singapore Primary Math. The problems are generally presented in an interesting format that does not repeat the course material, but rather extends students’ understanding of concepts. “Take the Challenge” sections contain “thinking-skills” or non-routine problems designed to enhance problem-solving abilities. Consumable.

- Primary Math Intensive 1A** RM182 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 1B** RM183 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 2A** RM184 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 2B** RM185 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 3A** RM186 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 3B** RM187 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 4A** RM188 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 4B** RM189 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 5A** RM190 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 5B** RM191 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 6A** RM192 \$10.80
- Primary Math Intensive 6B** RM193 \$10.80

Additional products are available at sonlight.com/singapore-grade-overview.

Manipulatives

Complete descriptions available online.

- Mini Plastic Balance K-2** MM10 \$10.99
- Base 10 Starter Set K-3** MM12 \$39.99
- Gram Scale 2-6** SS5951 \$8.99
- Angle Ruler 2-6** MM05 \$4.49
- Hundreds Board Set K-5** RM06 \$2.20
- Multilink Cubes K-3** MM04 \$14.95
- Bingo Markers K-5** KL081 \$1.75

Singapore Math Answer Keys for levels 1-6

- SM Answer Key Only, Levels 1-3** RM180 \$10.80
- SM Answer Key Only, Levels 4-6** RM181 \$10.80



“Our family enjoys learning about the many cultures and different ways of life around the world that Sonlight provides,” writes Amanda S of Wray, CO. “The literature that accompanies each Core is wonderful and the selections are made with extreme care. The questions open up another world for the children to ponder and discuss as they work their way through the books. Our family enjoys the time we spend together making learning enjoyable and exciting. After reading *Walk the World’s Rim*, we headed to Mesa Verde to explore the cliff dwellings and do some investigating of our own.” In the family’s fourth Sonlight year, Ronnie (9), Reegan (7) and Abigail (11) are studying Cores D and E.

Singapore Math® CD-ROMs

These interactive CDs provide interesting, challenging, and fun-filled activities that reinforce students' understanding of mathematical concepts and help develop mathematical skills. Guided explorations, word problems, clear explanations and immediate feedback all combine to maximize the learning opportunity. Windows 95/98/ME/XP/Vista/7. **Requires 32-Bit machine. Not compatible with Mac computers.** To maximize the experience, your computer should have a Windows-compatible sound card. **CDs cannot be returned for a refund if they have been opened.**

Rainbow Rock RM167 \$25.00
Bronze medal-winner in the Educational and Computer Science category of an international interactive multimedia competition. Covers the subject matter of Primary Math 1A-2B in exciting activities and two fast-paced games on CD-ROM. Covers counting; mental calculation; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; using fractions; shape and pattern recognition; spatial visualization; and solving word problems. Requires 32-Bit computer.



"It was important to have a Christian curriculum and equally important that it be engaging and easy to use. Sonlight met all our requirements," writes Michele A of Valdosta, GA. "We have three young children, so there's not a lot of time to plan lessons or select books. Sonlight has taken care of this for us! The diverse stories introduce us to different cultures and historical periods in a such a fun way. They loved reading *How Flowers Grow* from Science A and asked Daddy if they could plant a sunflower in the garden. It was so much fun watching the children and flower grow together!" In the family's second Sonlight year, Sophia (5) is using the Kindergarten Full-Grade Package, which sister Anastasia (2) also enjoys.

Vroot and Vroom RM168 \$25.00
Covers the subject matter of Primary Math 3A-4B in exciting activities and two fast-paced games on CD-ROM. Covers angles, area and perimeter, fractions, graphs, problem solving, solid figures and symmetry. Requires 32-Bit computer.

Wiggle Woods RM169 \$25.00
Terrible name, I know, but this CD-ROM does cover the subject matter of Primary Math 5A-6B by means of exciting activities and two fast-paced games. Covers ratios, area of a triangle, percentages, speed and circles. Requires 32-Bit computer.

Horizon

Manipulatives "Filler" Kit for Horizons Math 1-3 RM40 \$59.99
Money-saving tip: If you already have the Horizons Math K kit (KM35), simply add this set. You'll have everything you'd get in our Horizons Math 1-3 kit (RM35), without having to buy several duplicate items. |

Miquon

Annotated Lab Notes (Teacher's Guide) RM02 \$17.95
Though you can get significant value from the workbooks on their own, the Lab Notes offer specific and helpful instructions, suggestions and anecdotes for each and every page. A great value. Provides helps for all the Miquon workbooks.

First-Year Program (First/Second Grade) 1MM \$33.85
Includes both consummable workbooks listed below, plus Annotated Lab Notes. **Requires Cuisenaire Rods 4M05.**

- Orange Level Workbook** 1M03 \$7.95
- Red Level Workbook** 1M04 \$7.95
- Annotated Lab Notes** RM02 \$17.95

Second-Year Program (Second/Third Grade) 2MM \$15.90
Prerequisite: 1MM. Includes both consummable workbooks listed below. **Requires Cuisenaire Rods 4M05. Recommended Resource:** Annotated Lab Notes RM02 (if you don't already own).

- Blue Level Workbook** 2M02 \$7.95
- Green Level Workbook** 2M03 \$7.95

Third-Year Program (Third/Fourth Grade) 3MM \$15.90
Prerequisite: 2MM. Includes both workbooks listed below. **Requires Cuisenaire Rods 4M05. Recommended Resource:** Annotated Lab Notes RM02 (if you don't already own).

- Yellow Level Workbook** 3M03 \$7.95
- Purple Level Workbook** 3M04 \$7.95

Cuisenaire Rods 4M05 \$11.99
See next column for full description.

General

Cuisenaire Rods 4M05 \$11.99
74 rectangular plastic rods that vary from one unit (a cube) to 10 units in length. Each length comes in a specific color (the one-unit length is always white; the two-unit length, red; etc.). By manipulating the rods, children are able to see, in a neutral, physical form, what happens on the theoretical level when they add, subtract, multiply and divide. Useful to teach place value and general numerics –or for just playing around!

Time for Friends RM31 \$9.99
Holzmann. Frog wakes up to a beautiful day. He wants to share it with friends, but ... where have they gone? Follow the clocks as Frog learns that, although his day doesn't go as planned, unexpected surprises can bring great joy. Charmingly illustrated introduction to teaching kids about time. | Hb | @ P-3 | 3-5

Wooden Pattern Blocks and Boards RR57 \$14.99
Colorful and sturdy, these 120 wooden shapes fit together in limitless design possibilities. Use the 10 different patterned boards included or let your children "free play" as they practice shapes, colors and spatial relationships. | Ages 3-6

Math on Call RR801 \$29.49
This extraordinary reference is the perfect aid for any parent who wants assistance helping her child with math homework. Math on Call covers a wide range of topics from number theory to fractions to algebra to geometry, all in an easy to understand, highly illustrated format. | Pb.

8-Piece Protractor, Compass, Triangle Set RM68 \$4.75
Tools you'll find useful in all upper-level math programs. Includes protractor, compass, two triangles, straight-edge, pencil, eraser and sharpener, all in a convenient plastic case.

Audio Memory® Materials
If your child is struggling with his or her math facts, you can hardly ask for a more patient "teacher." Easy sing-along echo songs drill what you need to know. Vocalists' diction is extremely clear.

Addition Songs (CD) RM65 \$12.95
Learn counting 1-20 and all the addition facts from 1+1 to 9+9. Includes a reproducible songbook/workbook.

Subtraction Songs (CD) RM66 \$12.95
Learn all the subtraction facts from 1-1=0 to 20-12=8. Easy sing-along echo songs, plus a reproducible songbook/workbook.

Multiplication Songs (CD) RM67 \$12.95
Learn the multiplication tables from 2x2 through 12x12.

"Thank you, Sonlight, for helping me to do my best job teaching my boys!"
— Maribeth M, Aug. 2013



Your children can understand and enjoy numbers like never before.

Who would guess that learning math could be this much fun?!

Apples teach fractions; cars serve as rulers; a bear hunter shares his snacks ... and your kids just might get hooked on math! Help your children turn basic understanding into a natural ability to remember and use what they learn.

“Professor” Justin Time and his friends get into one hilarious situation after another. While your children watch and laugh, Justin unlocks concepts from top math programs – including Horizons, Saxon and Singapore Math®.

MathTacular® can be a great teaching help for the ages/grades shown here, and a fun refresher for older students. Founded in concrete skills, enriched with creativity and splashed with humor, MathTacular® could become your children’s favorite math supplement.

“My son can watch the MathTacular DVDs for hours. He loves them.”

– Mommylissa, Dec. 2012

“My daughter LOVES MathTacular. She has picked up so much just by watching the DVDs.”

– flowergirl159, Feb. 2013

MathTacular® RM32 \$24.99



In nearly 100 fun, real-life examples, Justin demonstrates addition, subtraction, ordinal numbers, mass, fractions, measuring and more. For ages 4-7/grades PreK-2. DVD (about 4 hours) includes printable PDF helps. Included in Sonlight® Kindergarten Full-Grade Package.

MathTacular®2 RM33 \$17.49



Students review addition and subtraction facts from the original MathTacular®, and discover new tricks to help them memorize. Justin’s clear, funny, real-world scenarios help teach more than 20 concepts: money, time, place value, area, statistics, perimeter, graphs, estimating, basic geometry and more.

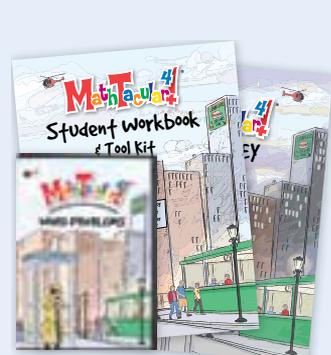
For ages 7-10/grades 2-4. DVD (about 2 hours). Included in Sonlight® Grade 2 Full-Grade Package.

MathTacular®3 RM37 \$24.99



Start with a review of multiplication and division facts from MathTacular2, and then watch Justin and friends take the mystery out of more than 50 new concepts: prime numbers, factors, angles, coordinate planes, time zones, conversion, long division and lots more! For ages 8-11/grades 3-5. DVD (about 4 hours). Included in Sonlight® Grade 4 Full-Grade Package.

MathTacular®4: Word Problems (DVD, Workbook & Answer Key)



RM4A \$49.99
Watch your students’ fear disappear, as they learn a simple method to tackle word problems. In this hilarious mystery, Detective Justin Time and Amber Waves must crack the code of word

problems and find a pork-napped pig! The accompanying Workbook and Answer Key let kids work alongside the sleuths and gain mastery of word problems. DVD for ages 9-18/grade 4 and up. Workbook for grade 6 and up.

MathTacular4: Word Problems (DVD only) RM41 \$24.99

MathTacular4 Workbook RM42 \$14.99

MathTacular4 Answer Key RM43 \$12.99

MathTacular® Bundle (1-4) RM50 \$114.98

Want the best value? Get all the MathTacular products in one bundle and save even more. Includes MathTacular 1, 2, 3 and the entire MathTacular4 kit (DVD, Workbook and Answer Key).

FlashMaster: the fun way to master math facts!



With FlashMaster, a hand-held electronic device, math facts become gripping games. One mom wrote, “When we received FlashMaster, our 6-year-old daughter, who was very reluctant to practice her math facts, transformed into an eager learner.”

Another mom said, “Our daughter has increased her time and accuracy significantly. Thanks for giving us a teacher that is fun!”

Another wrote, “I cringed at spending \$60 for a ‘flash card’ machine, but after having used it with

my kids, I think I’m going to have to buy another to keep them from fighting over it!”

You’ll never have to use flash cards to drill reluctant children again. Even if they still don’t love math facts, you’ll all appreciate how much more effective and independent it is compared to regular flashcards. FlashMaster replaces flash cards, timed practice and timed tests. It includes:

- Addition: 0+0=0 through 9+9=18
- Subtraction: 0-0=0 through 18-9=9
- Multiplication: 0x0=0 through 12x12=144
- Division: 0÷1=0 through 144÷12=12
- Nine levels of difficulty
- Time limits – per activity or per problem
- Choice of format: 1+2=?, 1+?=3 and ?+2=3
- Option to focus on specific sets of problems (including ones your kids miss the most)
- Ability to review results from previous quizzes

FlashMaster is incredibly easy to use. Just show your children how it works – a simple task – and turn them loose. It takes no more than approximately 10 minutes a day of your children’s time.

FlashMaster costs \$59.95. Is it worth it? The parents who’ve purchased it certainly think so.

If your children have ever struggled to learn math facts or lacked motivation to practice their tables, FlashMaster is precisely what you need. (Batteries included.)

FlashMaster® RM25 \$59.95 (ages 6 & up)

“My son finally memorized all the math facts. Thanks, FlashMaster!”
– Mazurka, Sept. 2013



Expand your children's horizons. Help them explore their gifts



"Sonlight lessons are all planned out for me and they include all kinds of fun activities," writes Holly G of Ridgecrest, CA. "This was our first year homeschooling. I've been terribly busy and sleep-deprived with a new baby and three young children. Using Sonlight's Science A program was the best decision I could have made. Although the program is laid out in a weekly schedule, I've found it easy to adjust according to our needs. Some weeks we do a bit each day. Other times we have a 'Science Day' and do a week's worth of lessons and activities all at once. I simply pick up where we left off." Here, Gideon (2), Miriam (5) and Tabitha (6) make "hot lava" while studying volcanoes.



"Sonlight's diverse and exceptional books have brought many far-off places right into our home, causing my daughter's imagination and creativity to come alive," writes Sara M of Louisville, KY. "I thought history was boring, until we started Sonlight; now it's our favorite subject. Using Sonlight makes us want to go out and explore the world. The books paint such a clear picture in our minds that everywhere we go becomes an educational experience. Plus, the Instructor's Guides are easy to follow, giving us more time for field trips and to just enjoy learning together." In her fifth Sonlight year, Valerie (7, Core B) likes to dress up when inspired by a favorite book.

So you've picked out your Core, Language Arts, Handwriting, Math and Science? Great! That's all you really need to do with your kids to start.

But when you're ready for some extra enrichment, don't miss Sonlight's exciting options for Electives. Consider ...

Three Reasons to use Electives

1 Electives broaden children's horizons

Art, music, foreign language, PE and practical life skills all help kids understand more about the world and themselves. In other words, electives help create well-rounded students. Once you get to high school, know that colleges expect to see some electives on your kids' transcripts – particularly foreign language and some exposure to the fine arts.

2 Electives help kids discover their gifts

Even if you are not musical, artistic or gifted in languages, you might have a child who is. You won't know until you give them a chance to explore these areas and see where they shine. Maybe you have a budding artist in the house, just waiting for a chance to discover it.

3 Electives are fun

From silly art projects to fun music CDs, electives let you step back from the regular routine of school and just enjoy your unique children.



Electives Packages

Make it easy on yourself and give your children a carefully-selected, broad range of Electives experiences. Choose the pre-assembled Electives Package that matches the Core each child is studying this year.

Electives A ARE \$53.85
Includes *Animals in Art* (p. 129), *Enjoying Art with Children* (p. 129) and *Home School Family Fitness* (p. 131). | Recommended in Core A (ages 5-7).

Electives B BRE \$45.39
Includes *Exploring Landscape Art with Children* (p. 129), *World of Play* (p. 129) and *Bernstein Favorites: Children Classics* (p. 130). | Recommended in Core B (ages 6-8).

Electives C CRE \$85.88
Includes *How Artists See Feelings* (p. 129), *How Artists See the Elements* (p. 129) and *Classical Kids Collection* (p. 130). | Recommended in Core C (ages 7-9).

Electives D DRE \$60.93
Includes *Usborne: Children's Book of Art* (p. 129), *Story of Orchestra* (p. 130) and *Critical Thinking Activities K-3* (p. 132). | Recommended in Core D (ages 8-11).

Electives E ERE \$43.94
Includes *Mark Kistler's Draw Squad* (p. 129), *Recorder* (p. 131) and *Nine Note Recorder Method* (p. 131). | Recommended in Core E (ages 9-12).

Electives F FRE \$67.47
Includes *Typing Instructor Platinum* (p. 132), *Classics for Kids CD* (p. 130) and *Critical Thinking Activities 4-6* (p. 132). | Recommended in Core F (ages 10-13).

Electives G GRE \$101.93
Includes *ARTistic Pursuits Grades 4-6 Book 1* (p. 128), *Art Supplies Kit For Grades 4-6* (p. 128), *Classical Music Start Up, Vol 1* (p. 130). | Recommended in Core G (ages 11-13).

Electives H HRE \$26.98
Includes *Classical Music Start Up, Vol 2* (p. 130) and *Usborne Intro to Art* (p. 129). | Recommended in Core H (ages 12-14).

Electives W WRE \$35.97
Includes *Classical Music Start Up, Vol 1 and 2* (p. 130) and *Usborne Intro to Art* (p. 129). | Recommended in Core W (ages 12-13).

Electives 100 100E \$61.95
Includes *Fallacy Detective* (p. 132) and *The Story of Art* (p. 129). | Recommended in Core 100 and 200 (ages 12-18).

Electives 200 200E \$61.95
Includes *The Story of Art* (p. 129) and *The Thinking Toolbox* (p. 132). | Recommended in Core 100 and 200 (ages 12-18).

Electives 300 300E \$356.99
Includes *Drivers Ed in a Box* (p. 132) and *Non-Designer's Design Book* (p. 129). | Recommended in Core 300 (ages 15-18).

Electives 400 400E \$223.99
Includes *Understanding the Times: Homeschool Edition* (p. 132) and *Secrets of Great Communicators* (p. 131). | Recommended in Core 400 (ages 16-18).



SAVE OVER 10%

on everything when you purchase a Core Package

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**Foreign Language**

Many colleges require applicants to complete two years of foreign language study at the high school level. College aside, learning a language is great mental and intellectual exercise.



Studies prove: Children who learn two languages become more flexible and creative. They improve their overall ability to learn (even in math). Students also build strong communication skills that can pay off big when they

reach the job market.

These benefits all increase with starting early, too! That's why Sonlight strongly recommends that your students learn a foreign language, and begin by 6th grade, at least.

Rosetta Stone® Version 3

More than any other foreign language computer program we've tested, Rosetta Stone "hooks" students so they want to keep learning on their own. The "immersion" approach is natural, even fun-almost addicting.

Imagine yourself in a foreign country, trying to figure out ... everything. Rosetta Stone mimics that experience – except the people are unbelievably patient! They keep repeating simple words (and clues) until you're sure you know what they are saying.

Students dive right into practical everyday words and phrases. Vocabulary and grammar just "sink in" while they develop every major language skill: listening, speaking, reading, and writing in a new language.

Clues lock new words into your memory

When you begin, photos appear on your computer screen and you hear the voice of a native speaker of the language. Your job – figure out which photo the speaker is referring to, and click on it. At first you may need to guess, but each new set of words and images holds clues that help you make more correct clicks.

As you compete against yourself, clues begin to lock new words into your memory. When the short lesson ends, your computer reports that you got, say, 93 right answers and 7 wrong. Not bad! You're encouraged and think,

"Hey, this is pretty easy! Could I go faster or be more accurate? I'd bet I can do both!"

Don't learn to translate – learn to truly understand

Rosetta Stone never teaches you to relate a word in one language to a word in the other. Instead, you see – and understand – what the speaker is saying.

Along the way come milestones, engaging "simulations" of real-life conversation. After each, the program tailors review to reinforce strengths and patiently train problem areas.

Practice speaking and writing, too! Type what you hear, and the program checks your work – then alerts you to mistakes and lets you correct them. Through the headset mic (included), the program analyzes and compares your speech to native voices. Away from your computer, use the Audio Companion CD to practice almost anywhere.

How to choose your language

Consider a language you can use informally, with people you meet who speak it fluently. In North America, you might choose Latin American Spanish ... unless you live in or near eastern Canada, where many people speak French.

For academic or graduate-level studies, however, German is very important. On the other hand ... if your children show strong interest in a particular language, why not help them learn it? Motivation counts for much more than any practical benefit.

Guaranteed: you will succeed.

While your students enjoy the learning "play," you can track and review achievements, print out progress records, create custom exercises and quizzes, and more. A robust Student Management System walks you through every step.

Do you need help to engage "less than enthusiastic" students? With loads of auditory, visual, numeric and chronological feedback, Rosetta Stone gently guides them to success at every turn. In fact ...

Rosetta Stone makes this 30-day unconditional money-back guarantee: if your children don't succeed; if they (or you) don't like the program – for any reason – return it within 30 days from your purchase date, and Sonlight will refund your entire purchase price, with no questions asked.

Rosetta Stone programs include:

- ✓ Program Version 3 and Student Management System on CD-ROM (Windows 2000, XP or Vista; Mac OS X 10.4 or later; for complete computer system requirements visit sonlight.com/rosetta-stone)
- ✓ Language CD-ROM disc(s), one per level
- ✓ Headset (USB) with built-in microphone
- ✓ Audio Companion CD (Version 3 only)
- ✓ Student's Guide
- ✓ Parent's Guide
- ✓ FREE support by phone for 6 months and unlimited support via email and chat!
- ✓ FREE standard shipping from Sonlight to lower 48 U.S. states (see page 156 for details)

Rosetta Stone® Version 3 for Homeschool **Level 1**

Greetings, colors, numbers, family relations, time of day, adjectives, prepositions, definite/indefinite articles, singular/plural nouns, and more.

- Latin American Spanish** RL11A \$159.00

- French** RL21A \$159.00
- German** RL31A \$159.00

For these levels, see sonlight.com/rosetta-stone.

- Level 2** \$159.00
- Level 3** \$159.00
- Levels 1+2** \$279.00

Level 1-3 \$379.00
These packages include the entire programs for Levels 1, 2, and 3.

- Latin American Spanish** RL10A \$379.00
- French** RL20A \$379.00
- German** RL30A \$379.00

Level 1-5 \$479.00
These packages include the entire programs for Levels 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

- Latin American Spanish** RL100 \$479.00

Choose from 25 of the world's most commonly spoken languages. For a complete listing, "live" demonstration, and much more – visit [Sonlight](http://Sonlight.com) on the web at: sonlight.com/rosetta-stone.

Some languages may take an additional 7-10 business days to ship. Please note: due to restrictions by the publisher, Rosetta Stone® materials do not qualify for Sonlight discounts.

The LATIN Road to English Grammar

If you've decided to study Latin, we recommend The LATIN Road to English Grammar. One of the most important reasons: it was designed to be used at home by homeschooling parents.

**"Did we take Rosetta Stone on our holiday?**

Yes, we did," writes Sandee M of Ontario, Canada. "We decided as a family to learn Spanish and have loved how user-friendly the curriculum has been. Our family has been using Sonlight off and on for the past seven years. This year we have completely switched to Sonlight! We are so thankful to have the Instructor's Guides take us step-by-step each day through each subject. Thank you Sonlight for enabling us to learn together with a Biblical perspective." Chris (13), Jack (11), Samantha (9) and Sara (5) are using Cores H, B+C and A as little sister Katie (2) looks on. Here, they surround Dad at the cabin to learn some Spanish.



Furthermore, the program is designed so you can simply pick it up and do it with virtually no preparation. The whole schedule is laid out for you and the teacher's instructions are exceptionally easy to follow.

All the key resources you need are in the package: a pronunciation audio CD, instructional/practice flashcards, student textbook, loose-leaf teacher's guide/answer key with binder, and a set of tests. These resources are intended for the teacher.

Three things you are expected to provide: paper, 10 tabbed dividers, and a binder for your student's work – all included in complete program RL57.

The LATIN Road to English Grammar teaches Latin the same way that a good phonics program teaches English. It begins with the very basics and moves outward and upward from there.

Rather than learning how to "parrot" what you happen to hear as in other programs, you and your children will be truly learning the language.

Most traditional Latin texts emphasize Roman culture, including its gods and goddesses in their readings and sample sentences. *The LATIN Road* readings have to do with Roman history and biblical themes. Practice sentences do not dishonor the God of the Bible by glorifying the gods and goddesses of pagan Rome.

A few details

- *The LATIN Road to English Grammar* will require about 40 to 45 minutes per day of concentrated time if you hope to complete one volume in a single school year. Anything less than about 15 minutes per day is too little to permit reasonable progress. Significant parental involvement required.



"Grace and Noah enjoy all of the subjects they study with Sonlight, including extracurricular subjects like art," writes Caryl A of Osceola, IN. "Grace completed several years of *Artistic Pursuits* and now has started private painting lessons. Sonlight allows us to thoroughly enjoy core subjects – including great literature – while also exploring extra-curricular subjects such as art, music (piano and flute), sewing, cooking and baking, and sports." Here, 12-year-old Grace holds up one of her own paintings. In her seventh year of Sonlight, she shares Core 100 with 14-year-old Noah.

- The publisher does not recommend this program for use by students younger than advanced 5th or average 6th grade, due to the formal grammar.
- By the time you have completed Volume III, you will have finished well over two years' worth of high school Latin.

For further information about why you might want to study Latin, please see our article, "Latin? You've got to be kidding!" at: sonlight.com/whylatin.

Volume I Complete Program RL57 \$179.00
Includes a pronunciation CD, instructional/practice flashcards, teacher's guide with three-ring binder, index tabs, and textbook with consumable worksheets and tests.

Recommended Student Supplies

- Volume 1 Textbook** RL57T \$45.00
- Volume 1 Extra Worksheets and Tests Only** RL57W \$21.00

Additional Resource

- Teacher Training (DVD)** RL57DVD \$119.00

Go to sonlight.com/latinroad for more options.



Art

ARTistic Pursuits

Your children will jump right in to the creative process with this fun, easy-to-use complete art curriculum. They'll develop foundational art skills and create beautiful works of art in a variety of mediums. Designed specifically for homeschoolers, *ARTistic Pursuits* incorporates art history right into the fun lessons.

Each book contains between 32 and 64 hands-on projects. We've done the prep-work for you and assembled art supplies kits with everything for book 1 of each level. You'll have whatever the book calls for – from soft pastel chalks to black graphic pens and quality sketch pads!

ARTistic Pursuits Grades K-3 Book 1 RA40 \$47.95
Introduce your young artists to the visual arts and view art through history. Lessons ignite imagination and teach fundamental principles through 36 projects that include drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture and more. 185 colorful illustrations and Master paintings. Third edition Master works and art history pages have been modified/updated. Need supplies? Add the Art Supplies Kit for Grades K-3 and have everything you need for Book 1 projects. Spiral-bound | Pb.

- Grades K-3 Book 2** RA41 \$47.95
- Grades K-3 Book 3** RA42 \$47.95

Art Supplies Kit for Grades K-3 RA45 \$97.99



With this supply kit, your young artists are ready for every lesson in *ARTistic Pursuits*, Grades K-3 (above). Includes a roomy drawstring backpack plus all this: ebony pencil, vinyl eraser, soft pastel chalks, pastel oil crayons, watercolor crayons, watercolor brush, watercolor paper (9" x 12"), sketch pad (9" x 12"), construction paper and art tissue (assorted colors), children's scissors, self-hardening clay (4 lbs.). For use with Book 1.

ARTistic Pursuits Grades 4-6 Book 1 RA50 \$47.95

Ellis. Learn technical drawing skills while creating original works of art. More than 230 illustrations and 68 projects provide an overview of drawing, the elements of art and composition, as students acquire skills in pencil drawing, scratch art and markers. Third edition includes four feature pages on using elements of art together; Master works and art history pages have been modified/updated. Start drawing today with the Art Supplies Kit for Grades 4-6 that contains all the tools you need for the projects in Book 1. Spiral-bound. | Pb.

Grades 4-6 Book 2 RA51 \$47.95

Art Supplies Kit for Grades 4-6 RA55 \$44.99

All the tools your children need for *ARTistic Pursuits*, Grades 4-6 (above). Includes a deep drawstring backpack plus: two ebony pencils, vinyl eraser, metal pencil sharpener, two black graphic pens (1mm, 2mm), white colored pencil, heavy black construction paper, sketch pad (9" x 12"), and "scratch" art paper. For use with Book 1.



ARTistic Pursuits Junior High Book 1 RA60 \$47.95

Ellis. Engage your middle schoolers in the creative process as they strengthen observation skills. Instruction in graded pencil drawing and ink introduces topics such as line, shape, value, symmetry, perspective and proportion, as students discover contrasts in Eastern and Western art and produce original artwork. 68 lessons and 176 illustrations. Third edition includes four feature pages on using elements of art together; Master works and art history pages have been modified/updated. Stock up on all the tools you need for Book 1 projects with the Art Supplies Kit for Junior High. Spiral-bound. | Pb.

Junior High Book 2 RA61 \$47.95

Art Supplies Kit for Junior High RA65 \$65.99

Every artistic tool called for in *ARTistic Pursuits*, Junior High (above). Includes a tough vinyl drawstring backpack plus: four drawing pencils (Hb., 4B), vinyl eraser, metal pencil sharpener, "sandpaddle" sharpener, watercolor brush, pen holder with two nibs (Imperial #101), waterproof black ink, two pads of 9" x 12" paper, and 32 feet of 16-gauge wire. For use with Book 1.





ARTistic Pursuits Senior High Book 1

RA70 \$47.95

Ellis. Third Edition. Older art students develop new composition skills and practice ever-stronger basics. Sixteen lessons, with a total of 64 projects, teach them how to look at fine art and explore new subjects and techniques. Includes quality images of master artworks, expanded European art history section, special projects and more. Spiral-bound. | Pb.

Senior High Book 2

RA71 \$47.95

Art Supplies Kit for Senior High

RA75 \$63.99

Every artistic tool called for in ARTistic Pursuits, Senior High. Includes: six drawing pencils (2 each Hb., 4B, 2H), vinyl eraser, metal pencil sharpener, blending stamps, kneaded eraser, sketch pad and charcoal paper pad (both 9" x 12"), charcoal sticks (several each, regular and "jumbo"), plus a spacious nylon drawstring backpack to carry it all. For use with Book 1.

P3/4 Art Supplies

TRE \$17.73

Develop motor skills and creativity with child scissors, 100 pages of construction paper in a rainbow of colors, and an 8-pack of non-toxic, Colorix 3-in-1 pastel/watercolor/crayons.

Colorix

RA036 \$22.99

To call them "crayons" is like calling the Mona Lisa a mere painting. These 24 clean, plastic-cased color sticks twist up and glide like lipstick, mix like watercolors (brush included), and blend like fine pastels. Professional artists love them as much as 2-year-olds. Creative. | Ages: 5-A

Do You Doodle?

RR58 \$12.95

Catlow. Let your children express their own imaginations to complete over 200 whimsical drawings. Simple and fun, no real art skills required! Excellent way to nurture your students' self-awareness and confidence. Big pages (8.25" x 11.5") leave plenty of room for doodles. | Pb. | Consumable

Mark Kistler's Draw Squad

RR74 \$20.00

Kistler. A humorous skill-building exercise book composed of 30 carefully sequenced, developmental lessons. Teaches "Ten Key Words of Drawing" and demonstrates how they create the illusion of three-dimensionality. The ten words? Foreshortening, shading, surface, size, contour lines, density, shadow, attitude, ... and daily application. Highly recommended for Grade 3 through adult. | Oversize Pb. | Recommended in Core D+E and E.

The Non-Designer's Design Book

RR100 \$29.99

Williams. Non-threatening yet thorough mini-course in "design and typographic principles for the visual novice." Poignant before-and-after examples illustrate how to improve the appearance and overall impression of text and graphics presented on a page. The perfect fast-start for those who want their layouts to look more professional and interesting. A book you'll value and refer to for years to come. | Pb. | 7-A Recommended in Core 300.

Art Appreciation

Come Look with Me series

Blizzard. Perfect for early elementary students. Full-page, full-color reprints of famous paintings are accompanied by brief historical and biographical commentaries about the paintings and artists, plus thoughtful questions that engage young people in thinking about the works. | Four oversize Hb. vols. | illus. | @ K-A | 3-A

Animals in Art RA098 \$16.95

Recommended in Core A

Enjoying Art with Children RA099 \$16.95

Recommended in Core A

Exploring Landscape Art with Children RA101 \$16.95

Recommended in Core B

World of Play RA102 \$15.95

Recommended in Core B

How Artists See series

Carroll. 16 works of art in each volume to demonstrate how different artists may uniquely represent four threads within each title's stated theme. Author's comments include general introductions and guide students to explore – physically and mentally – the unique relationships between art and the real world. | Oversize Hb. | illus. | @ K-A | 3-A

How Artists See the Elements RA203 \$12.95

Recommended in Core B+C and C.

How Artists See Feelings RA204 \$12.95

Recommended in Core B+C and C.

Michelangelo CH11 \$6.99

Stanley. Story of Michelangelo. With large, full-color illustrations of his paintings and sculptures. Part of the Core C program. | Oversize Pb. | illus. | @ K-A | 3-A

The Story of Art RR89 \$39.95

"The world's best-selling art book." E. H. Gombrich's history combines more than 400 full-color plates and stunningly readable text. Written specifically for newcomers, Gombrich highlights everything from cave paintings to mid-20th Century works, and covers architecture, painting, and sculpture. Originally written for high schoolers, it's also a great bedtime story selection for younger children. | Recommended for Core 100 and continued in Core 200.

Usborne: Children's Book of Art RA302 \$14.99

Dickens. A survey of 32 masterful works of art by the world's most loved artists. Artist biographies, fascinating facts, and internet links to view more pictures, play art games, and create art online. 64 colorful pages. | Hb. | @ 3-A | 5-A | Recommended in Core D.

Usborne Introduction to Art RA601 \$17.99

This stunning book includes more than 160 of the world's greatest works of art and internet links for thousands more. Contains breathtaking paintings from the Ancient, Medieval, Renaissance, and

Modern periods among others. | Hb. | Recommended in Core H.

For our complete line of products, go to sonlight.com/art.



"For the first time in years I can have early nights now, like the kids," writes Giulia G of Australia. "The way Sonlight is organized means we will be able to continue home-schooling all three of our children without endless hours of preparation each night. I can still engage in conversation with my children about the books (because of the detailed notes to the parents), even though I haven't had time to read them myself. I thought Sonlight was too good to be true. Well, now I know it IS true!" In her second year of Sonlight, Yale (11) shows off the light circuit she made as part of Science C.



"Three cheers for Sonlight for a fun, sweet year with my young ones!" writes Elizabeth G of Norman, OK. "I'm so grateful for a program that I didn't have to put together myself, that is thorough, that challenges the student's potential, and that is fun to do together. I love that I can challenge my 5-year-old with reading and math material that fit her level and stretch her (1st and 2nd grade levels), and yet allow her to be an inquisitive and fun kindergartener with lots of play, imaginative Read-Alouds, and not too much other material to bog down her young life. I also love that we can include her 4-year-old sister with school." In their first year of Sonlight, Kalle (5) and Hannah (4) share Core A and some of the Pre-Kindergarten books.



“Sonlight has tremendously reduced the stress in teaching multiple children in a larger family while ensuring we make no compromises in their academics,” writes Heather H of Palm Beach Gardens, FL. “We have seen a tremendous growth in all of our children as they absorb the stories, lessons, and insights delivered through Sonlight. With a growing family, Sonlight allows us to spend more time together without compromising our desire to extend the best education possible to our children.” In their first year of Sonlight, Dad reads from Core A with Garrett (7), Bayleigh (5), Hannah (3) and baby Caleb.



“As a family we take adventures every day, as we open up the books (oh, how I love Sonlight books), the world opens up before us and we are transported,” writes Jennifer V of Ontario, Canada. “We talk, we laugh, we dream and we learn. Sonlight has enabled our family to be who we are. The look of surprise on peoples’ faces as they compliment us on reading to our children and then find out that this is school – this is life for us! – is a source of joy, too. I’m so thankful for Sonlight. You brighten our lives!” Chloe and John (6 and 5, Core A), now in their second year, share the Sonlight adventure with brother Isaac (2).

Music Appreciation

Bernstein Favorites: Children’s Classics MU13 \$12.49
New York Philharmonic; Leonard Bernstein conducts full-length versions of Prokofiev’s *Peter and the Wolf* and Saint-Saens’ *Carnival of the Animals*. Includes Britten’s *Young Person’s Guide to the Orchestra* designed to introduce the four classes of instruments: strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion. 75 mins, CD. | Recommended in Core B.

Classical Kids Collection JG06 \$59.98
This internationally-acclaimed, best-selling series of CDs brings some of the worlds great classical composers and their music “to life.” Includes four recordings: *Mr. Bach Comes to Call*, *Beethoven Lives Upstairs*, *Vivaldi’s Ring of Mystery*, and *Mozart’s Magic Fantasy*. | Recommended in Core B+C and C.

Classical Kids Collection Vol. 2 JG07 \$59.99
Includes four CDs: *Song of the Unicorn*, *Mozart’s Magnificent Voyage*, *Tchaikovsky Discovers America* and *Hallelujah Handel*.

Classical Music Start-Up Kit MU20 \$17.98
Explore beloved, influential masterpieces of classical music (over 2½ hours on 2 CDs), from the 1500s right up to 1945! Excellent introduction to classical music for junior high students and up.

Volume I (A.D. 1500-1825) MU21 \$8.99
Recommended in Core G.

Volume II (A.D. 1825-1945) MU22 \$8.99
Recommended in Core H.

Classics for Kids MU14 \$11.49
23 tracks feature music from 17 different pieces, all carefully selected to please the ears of children. *The Nutcracker*, *March of the Toys*, *The Sorcerer’s Apprentice*, and more. 72 mins, CD. | Recommended in Core F.

The Story of the Orchestra MU15 \$19.95
Levine. Stellar introduction to the various instruments, famous composers, and 41 well-known segments of music for orchestra. Delightful! | Full-color Hb. book and CD | @ 3-A | Recommended in Core D.

World’s Very Best Opera for Kids ... in English MU23 \$16.98
Award-winning, kid-friendly introduction to 14 best-loved arias. Sung in English by some of the world’s finest opera voices, this 72-minute collection helps move children from passive to active listening. Includes lyrics, synopses, and bonus sing-along tracks. A fun way to build cultural literacy, too! CD



Music Performance

Frances Rauscher of the University of California, Irvine, ... compared 19 preschoolers who were given 15 minutes a week of private keyboard instruction and participated in group singing at preschool to 14 classmates who were enrolled in no special music programs.

After eight months, Rauscher found that the children who had received music instruction had a 46% average increase in spatial IQ; their classmates improved an average of only 6%.

“Music instruction can improve a child’s spatial intelligence for long periods of time—perhaps permanently,” Rauscher told the American Psychological Association.

Piano Wizard Academy 2.0 MU41 \$399.00



Reading and creating music become almost effortless (and incredibly engaging) with this complete software system. Children (and adults) with no previous musical experience learn to play piano through a fun computer “game.” Instead of learning to decode written music *before* they start to play real songs, students learn to read music through *actually playing* real songs! The sheer joy of making music (and the incentive of getting high scores) keep them moving forward with joy.

Piano Wizard Academy with enhanced graphics and sound provides everything you need to be your children’s piano teacher: award-winning software, a quick-start DVD that gets you up and running, 50 video lessons, sheet music, 200 ready-to-play songs and more! Use with one or several children and save hundreds of dollars over traditional lessons.

Piano Wizard comes with a six-month guarantee; if you’re not happy, send it back for up to six months from the date of purchase for a full refund! Head to sonlight.com/MU41 for details.

Note: You will need a MIDI keyboard that connects to your computer to use Piano Wizard Academy.

“How good is it? Our testers could play the songs they had learned on Piano Wizard on a real piano later that same day – without having to be nagged to do so!” – Mac|Life

Bastien Piano Basics Series

Attractive, self-teaching piano books for ages 7-11.

Piano Method—The Bastien Piano Basics lesson series. Use a carefully graded, logical learning sequence to teach piano from “scratch.” Students use this series to teach themselves.

- Piano Method Primer** MU03 \$6.95
- Piano Method 1** MU04 \$6.95
- Piano Method 2** MU05 \$6.95
- Piano Method 3** MU06 \$6.95
- Piano Method 4** MU07 \$6.95

Theory—contains written work and some short pieces to reinforce each concept introduced.

- Theory Primer** MU08 \$5.50
- Theory 1** MU09 \$5.50
- Theory 2** MU10 \$5.50
- Theory 3** MU11 \$5.50
- Theory 4** MU12 \$5.50



□ Piano for Quitters MU25 \$29.95
The award-winning *Piano for Quitters* program on DVD is paced perfectly for beginners, or for those who have had lessons and want to be able to play without having to read notes. Pianist Mark Almond carefully explains chords and how they are used.

Although designed primarily for teens and adults, much of the material can easily be adapted for children even under the age of five.

90-minute video (DVD format) with ten piano lessons; also comes with a companion booklet, which gives brief descriptions of each piano lesson.

□ Recorder (Soprano "C") MU01 \$9.99
The recorder is easy and inexpensive! Thus it's often the first "real" instrument children encounter in classrooms, typically around 4th grade. This model is a fully chromatic soprano (key of C) instrument with pleasing sound – not a cheap tonette or flutophone. For excellent beginner instruction, check out the *Nine Note Recorder Method* below. | Recommended in Core D+E and E.

□ The New Nine-Note Recorder Method MU16 \$13.95
Beginners start easy (real songs with just three notes). Soon they learn to read time signatures and note values, count out rhythms and meters – even practice syncopation, alternate fingerings and basic expression techniques as students progress through 125 songs! For use with soprano and tenor (but not alto) recorders. | Spiral-bound | Pb. | Recommended in Core D+E and E.

Physical Education (PE)

Home School Family Fitness is focused upon purposeful activities (games) – and, usually, *group* activities – that family members can do together in pursuit of fitness goals.

Well-suited for use by adults and children even from the earliest elementary grades.

□ Home School Family Fitness PE03 \$19.95
Whitney. Written by a Ph.D. professor of physical education who is also a homeschooling father of eight children, this manual on physical education is designed for use by homeschoolers young and old. The book includes 40 weeks' worth of outline lesson plans, easy-to-use and fully explained fitness tests, and thorough explanations of rules and proper techniques and skills for a wide variety of popular sports and worthwhile physical activities. | Pb., illus. | Recommended in Core A.

Sex Education

God's Design for Sex

Jones, ed. Designed to help you communicate comfortably and truthfully about those sometimes difficult or embarrassing questions that every child asks.

□ Story of Me (3-5 years old) RR44 \$10.99
"Tell me my story again, Daddy," asks a little boy. And this is the story of how he came to be ... beginning from God's love in making everything in the world, to the family as a context for growing up, to

the specialness of being a boy or a girl. Includes a discussion of proper names for private body parts. Written and illustrated for you to read with and to your child. | ♣ | Pb.

□ Before I Was Born (5-8 years old) RR45 \$10.99
Beginning from the same foundation as *The Story of Me*, this volume carries on and discusses, tactfully yet directly, how our bodies change as we become men and women, the basic nature of sexual intercourse between a husband and wife, how a baby grows inside its mother and is eventually born. Written and illustrated for you to read with and to your child. | ♣ | Pb.

□ What's the Big Deal? (8-11 years old) RR46 \$11.99
Reviews, expands upon and reinforces the material in the first two books. Focuses on why God intends sex to be reserved for marriage while also seeking to "inoculate" your child against the negative moral messages of the world. Written for you to read with and to your child. | ♣ | Pb.

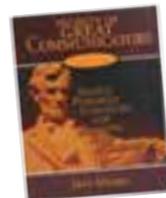
□ Facing the Facts (11-14 years old) RR47 \$11.99
All the material from the earlier books plus more ... and in much greater detail. Talks about love and dating (and how not to confuse hormonal urges with something really serious!); how to deal with friends who are not following God's ways; masturbation; homosexuality... You'll want to read it, of course, but written for your child to read on his or her own. | ♣ | Pb.

Life Skills

□ Life Skills for Kids RR115 \$14.99
Field. Challenges parents to raise kids purposefully. What do you want to teach your children about time and space organization? Healthy lifestyle skills? Decision-making? Money management? And more. Some things you'll want to think through while your children are still young! | ♣ | Pb.

□ Dating with Integrity RR11 \$16.99
Holzmann. Offers a practical Biblical model of male-female relationships based on our status as sons and daughters of God. Raises basic questions too often overlooked. Challenging! Highly recommended for parents of children beginning to show interest in members of the opposite sex and for mature sixth graders and older. | ♣ | Pb. | Included in Core 100.

□ Secrets of Great Communicators (DVD) CR101D \$64.99
Myers. A video/workbook course, *Secrets of Great Communicators* teaches students how to conquer their fear of public speaking, organize a talk for maximum impact, reach the heart of an audience, and deliver a speech with confidence! The base program includes one DVD and a 188-page workbook in an attractive, hard plastic case. The program comes with a 100% no-risk guarantee. *Secrets of Great Communicators* is aimed at high school students and above-ages 14 and up. | Recommended in Core 400.



"Read-Aloud time has become an anchor for family life in our home," writes Tawnya L of Grand Prairie, TX. "Taking time each day to read together has a way of centering our relationships. When we began learning with Sonlight, I was skeptical that my 6-year-old would sit and listen to an entire Bible passage, History lesson or Read-Aloud chapter, as his attention span is short. But Sonlight's books are so well-chosen that he's captivated from start to finish. He surprises me by recounting events from our reading with amazing detail, even recreating scenes for imaginary play." In their second year of Sonlight, Noah (7) and Elijah (9) enjoy *The Adventures of Sir Lancelot the Great*, their favorite Core C adventure.



"I love it that Sonlight provides all the lesson plans, great books and hands-on ideas," writes Lois B of Alberta, Canada. "As a trained teacher I really appreciate the high quality of books and lesson planning that frees me up to actually teach instead of spending hours trying to spice up dry materials. My favorite moments in Core B this year were the times my children took their learning and ran with it." Here, Shilo (7) and Annika (5) decided to make a working model of the digestive system all on their own. They are sharing Core B in their third year of Sonlight.



“The thought-provoking questions and discussion ideas from the Instructors’ Guides make the books we read so much more meaningful and memorable,” writes Anne W of Zimbabwe. “It is clear that many years of experience and expertise have gone into making such a well-rounded and interesting course. We love Sonlight for the books, the discussion questions and the well-planned daily schedule. Thank you Sonlight for an outstanding curriculum that’s easy to use and enjoyable for all of us.” Here, Chrissy (8, Core B) shares some dinosaur facts from Science C with Scott (6, Core B) and Murray (3).



“We love Sonlight’s emphasis on world missions and raising up disciples to all nations,” writes Merilea O of Mahtowa, MN. “When asked what their favorite part of homeschooling is, the kids both agreed it’s being able to start their school day with Bible reading and prayer. How awesome is that?” In their second year of Sonlight, Jeremiah (10) and Anna (8) are sharing Core D and Science D. Here, they enjoy some hands-on science as they take apart the blender to determine what kind of motor it uses and how it works.

Driver Ed in a Box® RE203 \$327.00
Barrett. Equip your teens to develop safe, collision-free driving habits. Check with your state’s DMV and your insurance company to ensure they will honor the *Driver Ed in a Box* completion certificate. Instruction via online classroom, DVDs and Parent tools. Find many more details at sonlight.com/RE203. | Recommended in Core 300.

Critical Thinking

The Fallacy Detective RN051 \$22.00
Bluedorn. Amazing! A fascinating (truly!), fun (yes!), complete, easy-to-use introduction to 23 logical fallacies and 10 propaganda techniques: what they are, how to spot them, how to avoid them. Divided into 36 brief and enjoyable lessons that include “perfect” high school-level examples and 10 to 20 quick exercises that reinforce and teach the concept *through use*. Complete answer key. Instructive “Fallacy Detective Game.” Occasional Scripture quotations. | Pb. | 8-A | Recommended in Core 100.

The Thinking Toolbox RN050 \$22.00
Bluedorn. A follow-up to the successful *The Fallacy Detective*, this fun and entertaining guide gives your teen the tools for clear thinking. It’s like a toolbox with a Christian view of logic! | Pb. | 8-A | Recommended in Core 200.

Dale Seymour Critical Thinking Activities

Seymour & Beardslee. Activities help students develop three important elements of critical thinking in mathematics: recognizing patterns, using visual imagery, and logical reasoning. Reproducible blackline masters. Answer keys included. Fun mental exercise! Pb.

Critical Thinking Activities K-3 RN052 \$25.99
Seymour & Beardslee. Students enjoy fun mental exercise as they complete activities involving patterns, puzzles, and logical problems with shapes, words, and numbers. Answer key included. | Consumable @ K-A | K-3 | Recommended in Core D.

Critical Thinking Activities 4-6 RN053 \$25.99
Seymour & Beardslee. Students learn deductive reasoning, logic of number and shape patterns, creative bisecting, grid designs, equal distance problems and calendar patterns. Answer key included. | Consumable | @ 3-A | 4-A | Recommended in Core F.

Worldview For Teens



Understanding the Times Homeschool Edition RE110 \$159.00
This is the full Teaching Package with DVD-ROM videos! Sonlight now offers this 18-week curriculum complete with its greatly expanded paperback text

and student manual, teacher’s manual, and 46 video lessons on DVD-ROM.

Prepare your students to recognize and confront the worldviews that saturate Western society.

Examine each of the five dominant Western worldviews (Secular Humanism, Marxism/Leninism, Cosmic Humanism, Islam and Biblical Christianity). Learn how each of these five worldviews uniquely interprets reality in ten different areas: theology, philosophy, ethics, biology, psychology, sociology, law, politics, economics, and history.

Life-changing. Challenging. Vital for anyone heading toward college. Student Manual is consumable. | Textbook Pb. | Student Manual Pb. | Teacher Manual Hb. | 9-A | Recommended in Core 400.

Student Manual only RE111 \$19.95
Consumable

Money Management

Money, Possessions and Eternity RR110 \$14.99
Alcorn. (Part of Economics course.) A thorough study on what the Bible says about money. Alcorn deals with materialism, stewardship, debt, and more. You probably won’t agree with Alcorn on everything, but this is a great starting-point for Biblical thinking about money. Thought-provoking. Includes study guide. | | Pb.

Money Matters for Teens Workbook RR109 \$14.99
Berkett. A practical how-to manual for teens: how to balance a checkbook, how to buy a car, how to get a job, and much more. Biblical perspective. | | Pb.

Computer Skills

These days, every student from 5th grade up should learn this essential skill. From writing assignments to internet research, they will improve their homework quality, and get more from each school day.

Typing Instructor Platinum RR05 \$29.99
Have fun improving your typing skills today! Award-winning, step-by-step plans use travel themes with engaging challenges to motivate as you gain accuracy and speed. Dynamic design adjusts to your strengths and weaknesses. | Recommended for ages 8 and up
CD-ROM: Windows 7/Vista/XP/2000 & Mac OS X 10.4 or higher. Sorry, software cannot be returned once it is opened. | Recommended in Core F.

Typing Instructor for Kids Platinum RR15 \$19.99
Proven methods and exciting fun help skills, speed, and good habits grow. Personalized settings let students move at the perfect pace. | Ideal for ages 7 to 11. Version 4. **CD-ROM: Windows 7/Vista/XP/2000 & Mac OS X 10.4 and higher. Sorry, software cannot be returned once it is opened.**

Professor Teaches: Microsoft Office 2010 & Windows 7 RR07 \$39.99
From beginner to advanced, children can learn to do quality work in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Access, Publisher and real-life simulations



to improve their retention. Choose what you need from over 800 self-paced lessons in 16 separate courses included! **DVD-ROM** for Windows (Pentium PC or higher, Windows Vista, 7, or XP SP2); visit sonlight.com/RR07 for complete system requirements.

Professor Teaches: Web Pages & Graphics RR17 \$29.95

Your computer-whiz students complete twelve courses in one program, or just the ones they need! Over 700 self-paced lessons teach them fundamentals of web design and HTML, advanced HTML, and how to create and change all sorts of web pages and graphics using top programs from Microsoft (Publisher 2007, Expression Web, and FrontPage) and Adobe (Dreamweaver CS3 and 8, Photoshop CS2 and CS3, and Flash CS3 and 8). Real-life simulation exercises-not videos-plus chapter quizzes make learning fast and easy. **CD-ROM** for Windows (Pentium PC or higher, Windows Vista, XP, SP2, or 2000); visit sonlight.com/RR17 for complete system requirements.

KidCoder™

Hands-on computer programming for 4th-8th graders. Windows Programming introduces students to Visual Basic, where they learn to write Windows programs. In the follow-up Game Programming course, students create their own Windows games from scratch.

Windows Programming Package RE1 \$90.00

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DVD-ROM, Windows 8/7/Vista/XP. Sorry, software cannot be returned for a refund once it is opened.

TeenCoder™

Hands-on computer programming for 9th-12th graders. Courses build on each other progressively and result in real-world skills. First-semester Windows Programming teaches C# language basics. Second-semester counterpart, Game Programming, gives students an easy-to-use game-creation framework. Java Programming and next-step Android Programming courses introduce a technology popular with many applications that also help prepare high schoolers for the AP* Computer Science A exam.

Windows Programming Package RE3 \$95.00

Game Programming Package RE4 \$95.00

Java Programming Package RE5 \$95.00

Android Programming Package RE6 \$95.00

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Reference Works

American Heritage Student Dictionary RL01 \$19.95

Recommended Resource for Levels D-G & W. This volume includes more than 65,000 concise, easy-to-understand entries. You will find geographic and biographical entries, more than 2,000 photographs and illustrations, plus a thorough Guide to Using the Dictionary. The publisher says this volume is for 6th through 9th grade students. Our sense: it can serve for mid-elementary through junior high. | Oversize Hb.

Merriam Webster's Collegiate Thesaurus RL03 \$21.95

Recommended Resource for Levels H-High School. Wow! This thesaurus was, in our opinion, the simplest to use. Organized completely alphabetically (unlike its competitors!), it includes concise *definitions*, examples of the words used in context, synonyms, antonyms, related and contrasted words, idiomatic equivalents, and, where necessary, warning about a word being considered vulgar. Wonderful! | Oversize Hb.

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Writers INC RL04 \$32.49

Valuable resource for Grade 3 through high school. Sebranek, Kemper, and Meyer. This is one of those books of which no student should be deprived. It includes all the "how-to" information that every writer ever wished he had: a *complete* guide to the writing process ... from pre-writing to drafting to revising; the basic elements of writing: sentences, paragraphs, expository essays, persuasive essays; literary genres: stories, plays, poems, persuasive and argumentative essays; style; grammar; documentation, and much more. Latest Edition (2006). | Pb.

Math on Call RR801 \$29.49

This extraordinary reference is the perfect aid for any parent who wants assistance helping her child with math homework. Math on Call covers a wide range of topics from number theory to fractions to algebra to geometry, all in an easy to understand, highly illustrated format. | Pb.

World Book® Deluxe Encyclopedia (Windows + Mac DVD-ROM) RR50 \$39.95

One DVD-ROM holds the entire 22-volume print edition plus: scores of new and revised articles, over 10,000 images, 2 hours of video and sound clips, more than 1,500 maps, time lines, hyperlinked dictionary, built-in search engine, step-by-step research projects, and more. | Included in Core and History packages for Level F. For detailed computer system requirements, visit us at sonlight.com/RR50. For Windows and Mac.



"We have seen the truth of Sonlight's claim that children learn history better when they learn it in the form of a story," writes Jennifer W of Richardson, TX. "Because of Sonlight's Readers and Read-Alouds, our kids have a better grasp and wider knowledge base of historical events at the end of middle school than their parents did at the end of college (due to our [non-Sonlight] textbook-style memorization of facts - facts that were soon forgotten or muddled because they weren't part of a story). Vashti (14) mentioned that some of her friends hate studying history. She said, 'If only they could learn history the Sonlight way, they'd love it like I do!'" In her eighth year of Sonlight, Vashti devours a biography from Core H that brings the Iron Curtain era to life.



“Sonlight really makes science come alive and inspires children to think outside the box,” writes Ammy G of Lakeland, GA. “ We have enjoyed all of the experiments and easy instructions Sonlight provides. From a mom who didn’t like science much in school, thank you Sonlight for making this fun! I wish I had been taught the Sonlight way.” Mikey (8) loved the experiments in his first year of Sonlight, and wanted to do some of his own in the summer. Here, he and dad blast their homemade rocket in the backyard.

Science

Lyrical Life Science Vol. 1 Non-Animal Kingdoms and Non-Mammalian Animals

This musically and lyrically rich sound recording and text set covers the scientific method, plants, protists, monera, invertebrates, cold-blooded vertebrates, birds, and more.

- CD, Text & Workbook** RS51 \$29.50
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For additional students

Lyrical Life Science Vol. 2 Mammals, Ecology, & Biomes

Covers in rather remarkable detail the various orders of mammals plus basic concepts of ecology.

- CD, Text & Workbook** RS52 \$29.50
- Workbook** Consumable RS52B \$5.95

For additional students

Lyrical Life Science Vol. 3 The Human Body

This musically and lyrically rich sound recording and text set, both humorous and challenging, covers the human body in detail: from its general structure (cells, genes, tissues, organs, and organ systems), to the details of all 11 of its organ systems: skeletal, muscular, nervous, digestive, respiratory, etc.

- CD, Text & Workbook** RS53 \$29.50
- Extra Workbook** Consumable RS53B \$5.95

Non-Consumable Science Supplies Kit NSK \$31.99

Required for all Science packages except P4/5 and Science F. Includes basic, non-consumable science supplies which will be used in several levels for years to come. This kit includes: Clay, clothespins, coated wire, corks, dowel, eyedropper/pipette, iron filings pack, large paper clips, magnet pack, magnifying glass, marble, masking tape, mirrors, small paper clips, spools, steel nail, straight pins, tacks, thermometer, tubing, and washers. |

Optional Microscopy Resources for ES12

The Usborne Complete Book of the Microscope contains several experiments that require a high power microscope (250-40) and microscopy supplies (ESKM). These experiments are optional. We have scheduled experiments using the Palm-size Magnifier/Microscope (ES08) to give your children a real hands-on experience. If you don't want to spend the money at this time for either instrument, the illustrations within the book are perfectly adequate to convey the basic information and concepts you want your children to know.

Magnifier/Microscope ES08 \$17.99
Palm-size, 30-power magnifier with self-contained, AA-battery-powered light source. (AA-batteries not included.) High-quality optics; focusable. Microscopy supplies kit ESKM is not necessary with this magnifier.

Microscopy Supplies Kit for ES12 ESKM \$18.99

For use with *advanced* projects in *The Complete Book of the Microscope*, ES12. Includes iodine; glass slides; slide storage box; dextrose powder; bent and straight teasing needles; match stick; scalpel; forceps; petri dishes; gelatin pack; bouillon cube; slide covers; lens paper; graph paper. | **Requires** a high power microscope like our item 250-40 below.

Recommended Resources (Science 250)

Digital Microscope Camera Eyepiece SSM20 \$74.99

For use with the Sonlight Ultra Microscope 250-40. This easy to use and install eyepiece allows you to send images directly from your microscope to your home computer.

Microscope Carrying Case SSM4 \$35.00

Quality Student Microscope at an Unbeatable Price

Sonlight® Ultra Microscope 250-40 \$255.00



4x/10x/40x monocular microscope is constructed around high-quality, **fully achromatic, parfocal and parcentered** optics. The **40x objective lens** is spring-loaded and the eyepiece has a built-in pointer. The ocular tube is tilted at a 45° angle and the **microscope head rotates 360°** around the microscope base. Beyond that, this instrument features **coaxial**

coarse and fine focal adjustment with a slip clutch; **fluorescent light source**, Abbe light condenser, and **iris diaphragm**. To top it off, we've added a **mechanical stage**.

There's no scrimping on quality with this microscope! Constructed by quality-conscious entrepre-

neurs in their ISO9002-certified factory, the scope weighs 7 pounds; base is 7" x 5"; 12" high. It features solid metal construction, and comes with an industry-standard, five-year mechanical/one-year electrical warranty. The cord and light are UL approved.

Should it malfunction, the manufacturer's warranty includes FREE pickup and return after the microscope has been repaired or replaced (U.S. only).

You can purchase the Sonlight Ultra for \$255.00, shipping included. If you're a Sonlight Core Club Member, you'll enjoy an additional 10% savings. Your discounted cost: just \$229.50, including shipping (to lower 48 states.)

If you'd like to know more about this 1000x microscope, the significance of its many features, and how your family will benefit from using it in your studies, please visit sonlight.com/microscope.

OR

Variable-Voltage Microscope 250-45 \$265.00

For Sonlighters living or traveling outside the U.S., this "international" version of the Ultra microscope has all the same features as Ultra 250-40, plus it works virtually anywhere in the world. "Continuously variable voltage" design adapts to any power source from 85-265 volts. A durable halogen bulb handles the range of current (gets a bit warmer than the 250-40). Rugged housing. | **Requires** plug adapter for non-U.S. outlets

“This is a great quality scope and easy to operate for kids and non-science buff adults alike. A great buy!”

— Christina F, Aug. 2013



Geography

The Global Puzzle RR103 \$14.99

A unique 600-piece puzzle that has proven to increase its users' geography knowledge by an average of 472% after completing the puzzle only one time. Three feet wide, 600 pieces. Includes: all 193 countries and their capitals, all 50 states of the U.S. and their capitals, and all 13 territories and provinces of Canada and their capitals. | For ages 9+

The Solar System and Beyond Puzzle RR37 \$14.99

Find all eight planets, three spacecraft, and five galaxies in this one puzzle with pieces shaped like the planets they represent. This 36"x18" 500-piece puzzle includes a planetary guide and a poster to help you and your family learn about the solar system and beyond.

The United States Puzzle RR30 \$14.99

Find a great geography lesson on your floor! This big puzzle (30" x 18") lets your children learn about the United States as they put the 55 extra-thick pieces (shaped like the states) in place.

Teacher Resources

3" Binder and Tabs B050 \$20.99

Organize your Instructor's Guides in this 3" locking D-ring binder with index tabs. Each binder holds one set of Core, Reader and Science IGs plus extra materials. Includes numbered dividers for each of the 36 weeks in IGs, plus dividers for sections 3 and 4. Binder (#VB30) and tabs (#IN10) available as separate items. | Recommended for Core A - 400.

Binder (1.5" Binder w/Tabs) PB25 \$14.99

Big enough to hold the P4/5 Pre-Kindergarten Instructor's Guide. Sturdy construction, with poly-vinyl cover, powerful rings, and Sonlight logo on the binding.

Sonlight's Create-A-Calendar AE01 \$10.99

This sixteen-month calendar covers your entire school year, and teaches kids about the calendar while they learn days, weeks and months of the year. 17" x 11". Comes with 140 fun and colorful stickers. | | Consumable | Included in Core A

The Three-R's KL01 \$12.00

Beechick. An essential resource for any parent who homeschools children grades K-3. Jam-packed with practical advice and down-to-earth help to give you all you need to start teaching your young children reading, writing, and arithmetic. | Indispensable | Pb.

You Can Teach Your Child Successfully RR03 \$14.00

Beechick. A follow-up to *The Three R's*, this volume will tell you everything you need to know to start teaching your 4th through 8th grader. This book will give you confidence in your ability to homeschool, and prepare you to do a great job. | Pb.



You know you're a homeschooler when

... your child is horrified at a (non-homeschooled) friend's declaration that she hates Math!

The Way They Learn RR102 \$13.99

Tobias. If you have ever wondered if your child has a learning disability, or if you have ever questioned the crazy way your child prefers to learn, then this book is for you! | Pb.

Why Gender Matters RR59 \$15.99

Sax. The differences between girls and boys are more profound than we ever imagined. The good news: you can use what you learn about your children's unique design to teach and parent more effectively. Understand their "hardwired" differences, and you can better help boys and girls reach their fullest potential. Insightful and provocative. | Pb.

San Diego Quick Reading Assessment Free!

Need a reliable reading assessment for a really tight budget? Sonlight offers a free, modified version of the San Diego test on our website. Short sets of words and sample reading pages help you measure your students' word recognition ability and approximate reading level. Find out more, and take this reading assessment for free, at sonlight.com/quick-reading-assessment.

Let's Go Learn: Online Reading Assessment

Measure your children's reading levels, strengths and weaknesses instantly, online. For less than most formal evaluations cost, this one covers six areas of reading – plus you get activities and teaching ideas to help your children improve where each needs it most. Works great before and after a test, to determine how much your children learn, or as an objective appraisal of how they read compared to their peers. Computer with internet connection required. Get discounts when you order multiple tests for your whole family. To find more details, view sample parents' reports, and take the test, visit sonlight.com/letsoglearn.

Resources for Mom

Miserly Moms RR116 \$14.99

McCoy. The subtitle says it all: "Living on one income in a two-income economy." Filled with practical suggestions and recipes (and not primarily recipes for food, but for kids craft projects, garden pesticides, and far more). Her "11 Miserly Guidelines" will help you save thousands of dollars a year. | Pb.

Nourishing Traditions RR52 \$27.00

Fallon. Tired of cookbooks half-filled with recipes you don't like? This one's so good, you may not even notice you're saving money by eating at home more. Over 700 recipes, plus a wealth of information on wise food choices and proper technique. Delicious! | Pb.

"When our year was coming to an end in May, the kids (ages 6 and 4) cried because they didn't want it to end! When I told them I ordered our Sonlight school books for the fall, they let out cheers like you would not believe!"

— Vicky0664, July 2013



"**Sonlight Science has been so fun!**" writes Rebecca M of Gilbert, AZ. "I like that the experiments are mostly simple and easy. If you have all the correct kits, then you have most of the materials on hand. In this photo, Dad helps Hannah learn about surface area and air resistance while Benjamin (bottom) tags along. They had a great time dropping things with and without parachutes to see how fast they would fall." Hannah (5) is using Core A as Benjamin (3) explores the Preschool Full-Grade Package in their third year of Sonlight.



"**Luke loves Sonlight Science. Every week he asks when 'experiment day' will be.**" writes Shelley M of Waterloo, IA. "I wish you could have seen their expressions after the volcano erupted and the 'lava' was all over their faces. (I think I may have added too much dish soap!)" Luke (6, Core B) and Grace (4) are pictured prior to the big eruption.



“At such a young age, I can see that my children pronounce words better and have a wonderful attention span, thanks to Sonlight encouraging us to begin reading early,” writes Stacie B of San Antonio, TX. “Sonlight has added so much value to our lives because it makes reading a high priority. No boring textbooks! The captivating book recommendations grab the attention of our two children, and my husband and myself, as well! The curriculum encourages family reading, so he had a way to bond with them at a young age.” Jack (3, Preschool Full-Grade) enjoys a midday story with Mom.



“As soon as I looked online at the books included in Sonlight, I ordered!” writes Melissa L of Keller, TX. “I love the stories in the curriculum because they expose my kids to good morals and real life information. The books have enhanced our reading time so much and my kids have learned a whole new level of pretend play. It makes my job as a mom way easier just being able to focus on my kids and not selecting books. All the guess work is done for me. I can only imagine how much more enriched my life would be if I had been taught this way!” In their first year of Sonlight, Macie (4), Jack (3) and Troy (1) soak up the Preschool Full-Grade Package.



Just Great Books

Ralph Moody Collection

Moody. With great vigor and deep insight into the human condition, Mr. Moody tells gripping tales of his boyhood, his adventures in business, and the wonderful (and sometimes not-so-wonderful) people he knew. | @ 3-A | U 4-A

- Little Britches (vol. 1)** EA08 \$14.95
Included in Core E
- Man of the Family (vol. 2)** RR76 \$12.95
- The Home Ranch (vol. 3)** 130-43 \$14.95
- Mary Emma & Company (vol. 4)** RR78 \$13.95
- The Fields of Home (vol. 5)** RR79 \$15.95
- Shaking the Nickel Bush (vol. 6)** RR80 \$13.95
- Horse of a Different Color (vol. 8)** RR82 \$13.95

I Dared to Call Him Father RR53 \$13.99
Sheikh. The author recounts her conversion to Christianity from upper-crust Islamic family in Pakistan, where family members who “betray the faith” are killed as “traitors.” Anniversary edition includes new epilogue. Gripping. | † | Pb. | @ 5-A | U 7-A

The Wisdom of Pixar RR13 \$15.00
The Wisdom of Pixar explores the many Christian virtues found in films created by Pixar Animation Studios such as friendship, courage, family, and love. Join author and Sonlight employee Robert Velarde for a unique and animated look at virtue! Includes discussion questions.

For our complete line of products, go to sonlight.com.



Remedial Reading

This program works even if tutors, classes and expensive programs have failed

Sonlight® Remedial Reading RRP1 \$58.95
If your children have trouble with reading, they may begin to struggle in other subjects. This gentle program can help. Unlock key phonetic patterns your students may have missed as you enjoy dozens of short stories. Includes *I Can Read It!* set, *Reading ReFlex*, and instructions.

I Can Read It! (4-vol. set) 1R16 \$39.96
Holzmann. Three volumes of wonderful short stories use real plot, action and humor-and progress through a controlled sequence of vocabulary words, sounds and patterns. Volume Four is filled with word lists to help phonetic and spelling rules make sense. | Pb. | ⚡

Reading Reflex RR117 \$18.99
McGuiness. Confidently help your students overcome their reading weaknesses. Detailed instructions and illustrations for plenty of teaching strategies and fun, easy exercises. | Pb.

“Living in the jungles of Papua, Indonesia, we have opportunities twice a year to visit a library. However, our years of choosing Sonlight have provided us with a library right at home! Not only have my boys listened to me read the books on our shelves, but as they’ve gotten older, they read those books again for themselves, over and over.”

— Elizabeth W. Aug. 2013

“After more than a decade of using Sonlight, we’ve amassed quite a collection of Sonlight Readers, giving us lots of reading opportunities. And that makes us smile! With our collection from 13 years of Sonlight schooling, there’s always a great book to relish.”

— Darcy R. Aug. 2013

“Eli is dyslexic, but he has learned to love books and reading. We couldn't have done it with out Sonlight and God's help.”

— Racheal S. June 2013

Interest-free payment plans!



Would you like to pay for your curriculum over time, at no extra cost?

Plans are available for U.S. and Canadian orders of \$399 or more. If you qualify, choose from the 9-month (when you order in April), 6-month (April-June orders) or 3-month plan (anytime). Full-Grade Packages are available year-round with up to 9 months of interest-free payments. Visit sonlight.com/timepayments for details and a payment calculator.



Sonlight Instructor's Guides include complete lesson plans and notes for the entire year!



Peek inside an Instructor's Guide (IG)

Parents often rave about their Core, Language Arts and Sonlight Science Instructor's Guides! Take a look and see what the excitement is all about ...

Imagine having a personal homeschool mentor plan and organize your entire homeschool year. What if she gave you customizable schedules, complete lesson plans, pertinent activities, and thoughtful questions to aid your students' comprehension? What if she left you handy tips and pointers to help you relax and homeschool with confidence all year long? This is exactly the support you get with a Sonlight IG.

IGs show you the way every day, all year long:

Your IG is a road map for the entire school year ... with virtually all the planning done for you. You get:

- **Complete 36-week lesson plans** that integrate your children's various subjects into an exciting, unified learning experience.
- **Activities, teaching tips, discussion questions, counter-balancing commentary** and more.
- **Two schedule options (5- or 4-Day)** to fit your needs (in many of the IGs for early grades). Choose a full 5-Day schedule, or pick the 4-Day option to reserve time for extracurricular activities each week. High schoolers use a 5-Day schedule. **Please note: If you choose the 4-Day option, some subjects (e.g., Bible and Readers) are still scheduled 5 days per week**, encouraging your children to read and spend time with God every day!

IGs eliminate the stress of everyday planning:

Imagine falling asleep tonight relaxed, with no worry about what you're going to teach in the morning. That's what an IG does for you. It does the planning for you. Put simply, these guides just make your life easier.

"Being a working mom, I appreciate the Sonlight Instructor's Guide that allows me to spend my time enjoying the learning with my kids rather than planning."

— Shannon M, July 2013

Curriculum experts develop each IG ... so you're free to focus on your expertise: knowing and guiding your children.

Each Sonlight Instructor's Guide is the result of untold hours of research and experience (see p. 161 for more on that). This saves you significant time,

stress and frustration, so you can **spend time teaching and enjoying your kids, not planning lessons.**

This sentiment is echoed by many customers: "I love the fact that I can open my Instructor Guide after making my morning coffee, read the schedule, and start school! As a busy mom of 3, this saves my sanity and makes me excited to homeschool for the long haul."

— Shelley M, Aug. 2013

IGs turn your books into curriculum

Each **Core Package**, **Language Arts** course and **Sonlight Science** program includes an Instructor's Guide (see pp. 138-141 for more). That guide weaves your books and supplies together into a cohesive full-year curriculum.

See for yourself!

Interested? Turn the page for an in-depth look inside an IG. Better yet, visit sonlight.com/3-week-samples to request a free sample of any IG.

Backed by a money-back guarantee

 Buy any Core program (or any individual IG) and your purchase is backed by a one-year money-back guarantee. If for any reason you don't love the materials, simply return them for a complete refund of your purchase price. That's confidence you can bank on!



Protect and organize your IGs with a convenient and sturdy binder and tabs. Look for the binder and tabs listed as a Required Resource for your specific Core program.

"The Instructor's Guide is phenomenal – simple to follow and easy to navigate."

— Deanne C, Aug. 2013

For a full 3-week sample of any IG, go to sonlight.com/3-week-samples



"Sonlight is super-organized, yet allows flexibility, making it simple to just teach and expand," writes Sarah C of Richland, WA. "This is our first year of homeschooling. As I looked at many programs, I fell in love with your structure and religion-based curriculum. My girls are excited to begin their day with Sonlight. We love it and look forward to each week. There's no looking back!" In their first Sonlight year, Kathryn (5) and Alayna (3) are enjoying the Preschool and Kindergarten Full-Grade programs.



"Being extremely nervous about taking on this venture [of homeschooling], the Instructor's Guide was what did it for me!" writes Rebecca H of Lindale, TX. "I needed detailed, specific instructions on what to do. It took all of the stress out of the day-to-day planning. Other homeschool moms were struggling with their own curriculums. They expressed stress, their children being uncooperative and on and on. And then they would ask me what I was using, and I would tell them about Sonlight. I almost felt guilty in telling them that we weren't struggling. My homeschool journey has been very pleasant and enjoyable." In her third year of Sonlight, Clara (6, Core B) reads to Mom, Dad, Kate (4, Pre-Kindergarten) and Canon (2).



Our IGs Will Make Your Day (Easier)

How? Take a look at some of the noteworthy benefits you'll realize with Sonlight IGs. See pp. 137-139 for Core, Language Arts and Science specifics.

Easy to use

- **Get started quickly.** At the beginning of your school year, read the essential “how” and “why” information for your Core, located at the front of your IG. This will ensure a good start.
- **View your schedule options on one page.** In the early grades, 4-Day users only do Bible and Readers on Day 5 each week; 5-Day users do that plus enriching History and Read-Aloud assignments on Day 5. High schoolers use a 5-Day schedule.
- **Everything you need is in one place.** Find each week's schedule, notes, discussion questions, timeline and map activities, vocabulary and teaching tips, all in one section. Your daily notes for subjects are all right behind your weekly schedule.
- **Take school with you on the go.** Want to do Sonlight outside or on a road trip? Just pull out that week's section of the IG, grab the scheduled books, and enjoy your adventure.

An intuitive setup

The Core IG setup makes sense. You can find what you need quickly and follow along. For example:

- Mapping helps you incorporate geography seamlessly into the school day. Younger students use their Markable Maps to locate places they read about. Parents get full color maps with answers to that Core's assigned map points. These hole-punched, laminated maps fold into your IG and also serve as a bookmark to hold your place. With clear location names, students make a visual connection to how all their Readers, History books, and Read-Alouds relate geographically. Parent notes provide place names and coordinates, so you can easily find and check each **map point**. High schoolers' black-and-white maps are included in their Student Guide, while the Parent Guide has identical answer keys. Just watch your students' geography knowledge soar.

Comprehensive and effective

- **Q&A format helps you focus on what's important.** Discussion questions with answers for each day's reading hone in on the key points. They help your kids get more meaning out of their reading and allow you to assess how well your children understand what they're learning.
- **Understand the rationale behind scheduled activities and methods.** We offer abundant explanations that let you in on the “why” behind many of the suggested activities. We explain the purpose behind these activities and what your children can gain. So you're better equipped to take advantage of the ideas behind the activities and perhaps make modifications.
- **Numerous notes help you take advantage of teachable moments.** We want you to know why we chose a certain book or what we hope your children learn. We talk about “heart matters” (e.g., “Note the beauty of family relationships revealed in this book.”). We give you warnings about specific books or about difficult content, telling you what to expect and often suggesting how to discuss it. This helps you capitalize on teachable moments and discuss important issues (such as racism).
- **Science and Language Arts IGs Activity Sheets reinforce your teaching and further engage learners.** A variety of activity options coordinate with your students' Science and Language Arts studies and draw on a range of skills and interests. (See pp. 140-141.)

How it works:

1. Do the scheduled readings.
2. Do the vocab and Discussion Questions in the Notes that follow your Schedule page.
3. Do the Timeline, Map and any other activities.
4. Now you're ready to move on to Language Arts!

The collage shows various components of the Sonlight Instructor's Guide. At the top left is a 'Core D and LAD' schedule table with columns for Day 1 through Day 5. To its right is a map of the Americas with labels for Canada, United States, Mexico, and various regions like 'British Columbia', 'Nova Scotia', 'Eastern Seaboard/Atlantic Seacoast', 'Caribbean', 'Mediterranean', and 'Central America'. Below the map is a 'Read-Alouds' section with text from 'The World's Rim' and discussion questions. At the bottom left is a 'Day 3' section with 'Bible' (Luke 1:39-56) and 'The Discoverer's Bible for Young Readers' (Genesis 4:1-16). At the bottom right is a 'Week 3 Activity Sheets' page with questions about taste buds and teeth.

A note about upper-level Core IGs

For high school, you can “mix and match” History and Literature courses from any upper level (see pp. 74-93). Choose the course combination to create the Core that's best for your students.

Core 100-500 IGs continue to offer many of the same great features and benefits found in the lower grades. Rather than a single IG, **each upper-level course includes a Parent Guide and also a separate Student Guide.** Your Parent Guide mirrors the Student Guide, but also includes answers, provides extra notes about book plots and literary elements, and allows you to check their progress and discuss their reading (even if you haven't read the books). **This setup lets you be as involved as you want and gives your high schoolers the tools to work independently.**



Core Guide

Complete lesson plans save you hours of planning time and frustration every week and maximizes quality time with your kids.

What you get in a Core IG:

1. Complete, ready-to-use lesson plans

All your books and activities are fully scheduled for the entire year. No need to create your own plans!

2. Daily schedules

Daily schedules outline 36 weeks of material for Bible, History / Geography, Read-Alouds, Readers and Language Arts.

3. Discussion questions

Discussion questions (with answers) for the assigned reading help you track your children's comprehension.

4. Timeline and map activities

Put your learning in chronological and geographical context. Timeline Activities tell you when to add people, events and dates to your timeline of history. **Map Activities** help you plot the places you visit in your reading. Your kids plot points on their Markable Map, and you have all the answers in the included map keys.

5. Vocabulary and cultural literacy notes

Find clear definitions for important vocabulary that appears in your reading. Enjoy useful cultural literacy notes that add depth to your reading and explain things students probably should know but likely don't know (e.g., what a hoop skirt looks like).

6. Teaching tips for Mom or Dad

See the rationale and educational philosophy behind Sonlight's methods and activities. Get help discussing tricky topics (such as poverty) with your kids. We've got you covered, so you can teach with confidence.

7. Extensive notes

Train your children to read discerningly. Our notes provide counter-balancing arguments to lopsided readings. These notes help you "listen to the other side" – as Proverbs 18:17 seems to encourage – in order to hone understanding. You won't believe how much you'll learn!

8. An easy record-keeping system

With space to record completion dates, your children's initials, extra notes and even extra subjects, all your records are in one place for reporting requirements.

9. Complete Language Arts program (for Cores D and up)

Turn the page for a peek at the Language Arts portion of your Core. In Cores A-C, this comes with your Core, but as a separate Instructor's Guide. In all other Cores, it comes as part of the Core Instructor's Guide.

CORE D + LA D		WEEK 1					SCHEDULE
Date:	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5		
Bible							
Reading	Luke 1:1–23	Luke 1:24–38	Luke 1:39–56	Luke 1:57–80	Luke 2:1–20		
The Discoverer's Bible for Young Readers	Genesis 1:1–2:3	Genesis 3	Genesis 4:1–16	Genesis 6:5–22	Genesis 7		
American Indian Prayer Guide—Maya	Day 1 p. 9	Day 2 pp. 9–10	Day 3 pp. 10–11	Day 4 p. 11	Day 5 p. 12		
Memorization & Sing the Word: Great in Counsel and Mighty in Deed	Psalm 8 —Track 1						
History/Geography							
Pedro's Journal	Aug. 3–Sept. 10	Sept. 13–Sept. 30	Oct. 5–Oct. 12	Oct. 16–Nov. 25			
The Light and the Glory					chap. 1		
Read-Alouds							
A Child's Introduction to Poetry		"Introducing Professor Driscoll" pp. 7–8					
Walk the World's Rim	Preface & chap. 1	chap. 2	chap. 3	chap. 4			
Lawn Boy							
Readers							
Regular: A Lion to Guard Us	chaps. 1–2	chaps. 3–4	chaps. 5–6				
Advanced: The Corn Grows Ripe	chap. 1	chaps. 2–3	chap. 4				
Other Subjects (Math, Science, etc)							



Week 1 | **Notes** | **Core D + LA D**

Day 1

Reading: Luke 1:1–23

Read-Aloud: The Discoverer's Bible for Young Readers (Genesis 1:1–2:3)

Prayer Guide: American Indian Prayer Guide (Maya, Day 1 p. 9)

Memorization: Psalm 8

History/Geography: Pedro's Journal (Aug. 3–Sept. 10)

Read-Aloud: A Child's Introduction to Poetry (pp. 7–8)

Readers: Regular: A Lion to Guard Us (chaps. 1–2); Advanced: The Corn Grows Ripe (chap. 1)

Other Subjects: Math, Science, etc.

Notes: Includes detailed notes for each subject, such as "I should happen that had not seen the person whose sheep actually were stolen!" and "The United States is located in North America in the Western Hemisphere." It also includes a "Map Key" for the map activity.

Timeline Suggestion Application Assignments

Section Two | Week 1 | Schedule: Core D

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Your Core IG gives you flexibility:

- **Choose between a 5- or 4-Day schedule.** In Cores A-W, Bible reading and Readers are scheduled all five days; 5-Day users also do enriching History and Read-Aloud on Day 5. High school students have a 5-Day schedule.
- **You are in the driver's seat.** The IG is a guide, not a taskmaster. As you become comfortable teaching your children, you can skip or alter assignments to fit your family's unique needs.

- **You have options to work how you want.** If you prefer to do a week's worth of a single subject in one day, work horizontally across your schedule page. If you prefer doing a little bit from every subject each day, work vertically.
- **Day-by-day schedule frees you from a traditional Monday through Friday school calendar.** Take breaks when you want and pick up right where you left off.



Language Arts Guide Teach writing naturally and with confidence!

Your Language Arts Guide includes:

1. Clear Language Arts instruction

Our Language Arts program helps you get the most from your studies each day. Assignments are as clear and engaging as possible. An appropriate level of grammar instruction and copywork/dictation passages ensure that you get the most helpful assignments.

Simply follow the daily schedule for a complete year of learning. Extensive teaching notes help you instruct your students with excellence, answer questions and ensure that they grasp key concepts. (See p. 98 to discover Sonlight's "natural learning" approach to Language Arts.)

2. Copywork/Dictation assignments

Weekly copywork or dictation assignments help children learn the basics of writing based on the models of master communicators. Assignments are based on your child's age and ability level, and most passages come from the Readers in their Core or Language Arts program.

3. Phonics instruction (in Cores A-C)

Assignments and activities coordinate with your children's Readers to develop confidence in reading and spelling.

4. Readers' Schedule & Notes (Cores A-C)

Cores A-C let you pick the appropriate Readers / Language Arts set for each child, so your Language Arts Guide includes the Schedule and Notes for those corresponding Readers.

5. Grammar and writing mechanics

Each week in Cores A-W, you receive clear grammar instruction about a specific concept that ties into the week's copywork/dictation passage. Then your students get a few exercises to practice and cement what they learned.

6. Effective creative writing instruction

Our step-by-step direction encourages exploration, sets children free to develop their creative side and helps them become superb written communicators, too.

7. Activity Sheets and answers

Students complete assignments on the included Activity Sheets. Weekly Notes show the answers to grammar questions and suggested responses for Creative Writing assignments.

8. Your choice of a 5- or 4-Day schedule

Optional Friday activities allow for complete instruction in four days each week, plus some fun and stretching activities on the enriching fifth day.

LANGUAGE ARTS 2		WEEK 2				SCHEDULE & NOTES	
Date:	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5		
Spelling/Phonics							
Spelling	Rule & Write	Pre-Test	Check	Post-Test	Optional: Write a Sentence		
Activity	Index Cards						
Optional: Explore the Code 4	pp. 9-10	pp. 11-12	pp. 13-14	pp. 15-16			
Handwriting							
Readers							
<i>The Beginner's Bible</i>	"A New Home" pp. 39-45	"The Visitors" pp. 46-51	"A Bride for Isaac" pp. 52-57	"Isaac's Blessing" pp. 58-62	"Jacob's Dream" pp. 63-65		
Vocabulary Development							
Optional: Wordly Wise A				True or False 1 p. 4			
Creative Expression							
	A: Copywork 1	B: Copywork Application	C: Similes	D: Like What?			5-Day: Simile Shout Out
Other Notes							

Your Language Arts program comes with your Core Package and coordinates with what your children are already reading and studying each week.

Your children write daily in a wide variety of genres: from copywork or dictation to brainstorming notes, imaginative pieces to research papers (starting at Language Arts D). You'll be thrilled with what they create.

Weekly notes give you well-thought-out assignments and lots of variety. These notes walk you through what to teach your children and help you guide them in their assignments.

Activity Sheets provide assignments that make your children eager to learn how to write well. Reproduction rights mean these sheets are good for the entire family.

Large print copywork assignments mean your children can read and complete these assignments on their own. You're free to concentrate on other things while they work.

WEEK 2 | **LANGUAGE ARTS 2**

Day 1 | **Day 2**

Spelling/Phonics

Rule & Write
 Rule: When using a suffix (an ending added to a root word, like *-ful, -ing, -est, -ed, -ness*), usually the root word spelling doesn't change.
 When counting the syllables in a word with a suffix, if you pronounce the vowel in the suffix, the suffix is a syllable (helpful, gladness, wishing). If you do not pronounce the vowel in the suffix, then the suffix is not all of the syllable (loved, clapped, baked).
 Words: hopeful, helpful, gladness, address, wishing, blackest, longest, careful, fishing, singing

Activity | Index Cards
 From your spelling words, write the root word on an index card and a suffix on a separate card. Have your children combine the two cards to form the new word. How many suffixes work appropriately with the various words? (e.g., hopeful, hopping)
 Optional: Explore the Code 4 | pp. 9-10

Readers
The Beginner's Bible | "A New Home" pp. 39-45
 To Discuss After You Read
 1. What blessing did God give Abraham?
 2. How did the land that Abraham could see would be his, and he and Sarah would have many children

Timeline and Map Activities
 Abraham (ca. 2100 BC)
 Hebrew (2000-1000 BC)

Creative Expression
A: Copywork 1
 Ask your children to copy the passage on **Week 2 Activity Sheet 1**.
 Optional: Copywork 1:
 The servant gave her the gifts, and they went to meet her father. The servant asked for his permission to take Rebekah to Isaac.

B: Copywork Application
 What action words (called verbs) of the copywork passage? (creeped, galloped) Discuss how using such verbs makes the sentence more vivid than merely writing, "Animals came." Can your children think of any more uses? (answers will vary: *Roared, crept, thundered, strolled, inched, etc.*) What animals might the verbs be kinds of animals can you see creep? What animals may have crept or galloped? What animals might have crept? What animals might have galloped? What animals might have hopped? What animals might have hopped?

C: Similes
 Below "B: Copywork Application Sheet," ask your children to write about the particular animals that boarded in these specific ways. (answ. Two hares hopped onto the ark. It leaped onto the ark.)

1. The Beginner's Bible, "A Bride for Isaac," p. 56
 2. Week 2 | Section Two | Language Arts 2

LA Week 2 Activity Sheet

Copywork 1*
 Animals crept, crawled, hopped, and galloped onto Noah's new boat.
 After everyone was inside, the rain began to fall.

B: Copywork Application
 Write two sentences about animals that might have boarded Noah's ark in particular ways they creep? crawl? jump?!

C: Similes
 Choose at least three of the descriptive words that you created last week. For each of those descriptive words, dictate at least two imaginative similes on the lines below.

1. Descriptive word: _____
 Similes: _____

2. Descriptive word: _____
 Similes: _____

3. Descriptive word: _____
 Similes: _____

1. The Beginner's Bible, "Noah's Ark," pp. 29, 30

Language Arts 2 | Week 2 Activity Sheet | 3

9. Schedules for optional workbooks

If you want more instruction in phonics, grammar or vocabulary, we include schedules for optional workbooks.

Where do I find the Language Arts Guide?

In Cores A-C, you receive a separate Language Arts Instructor's Guide with your Core purchase. This guide coordinates with the Readers Pack you choose and integrates your Readers' Schedule and Notes.

For Cores D and higher, the Language Arts Schedule is in your Core IG, on the back of the main Schedule each week. Your Language Arts Notes and assignments come after the other Core notes and assignments each day.

For a full 3-week sample of any IG, go to sonlight.com/3-week-samples



Science Guide

Science lessons made easy (and fun)!

Your Science IGs (for Science A-G) provide:

1. Complete, ready-to-use lesson plans

All your science books and experiments are fully scheduled for the entire year. No need to create your own plans!

2. Detailed teaching notes

Weekly Notes help you get the most from your materials. They explain each assignment and activity, point out fun facts about your reading and provide extra information about important topics.

3. Weekly experiments and activities

Simple, engaging experiments coordinate with your reading and provide hands-on learning. Sonlight's Science kits provide the key supplies ... so you actually do the experiments.

Many experiments are simple activities that build on the day's lesson – such as exploring taste buds using basic ingredients like lemon juice and sugar. Again, no planning necessary!

Your kids will relish the discoveries they make throughout the year. (And you'll love that they're demonstrating concepts that make learning stick.)

4. Organizational tools to plan ahead

See at-a-glance the supplies you need for experiments this week and in the coming week. Know what supplies you'll find in your Sonlight Science kits, and which household items you'll want to have ready.

5. Interactive Activity Sheets

Your Activity Sheets - with hundreds of activities, illustrations, charts and pictures - help students remember what they've learned.

Activities progress with children's abilities: from cutouts, matching, circle-the-answer and dictation to fill-in puzzles and sequencing analysis.

Prep time? Zero! Educational value? Immense. Reproduction rights mean one guide is good for the entire family.

6. Complete Answer Keys

Separate Answer Keys mirror your Student Activity sheets for easy grading. You get continual insight into your students' comprehension. No testing necessary!

SCIENCE C		WEEK 3					SCHEDULE
Date:	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5		
The Usborne Book of Knowledge	p. 98	pp. 100-101	pp. 102-103				
Activity Sheet Questions	#1-2	#3	#4-5				
5-Day: The Usborne Book of Knowledge						pp. 66-67	
Activity Sheet Questions						#8-10	
Discover & Do Level 2 DVD				#47-48			
Science Activities, Vol. 3				"Feeding Your Body" pp. 40-41			
Activity Sheet Questions				#6-7			
Supplies	We provide: NSK—mirror. You provide: apple, milk, kiwi, box of gelatin, two large bowls, box of pudding (if you want to do the alternate experiment).						
Shopping/Planning List	For next week: tennis ball, watch with...						

NOTES

Day 1

The Usborne Book of Knowledge | p. 98

The last paragraph on this page, beginning with the phrase "No scientist has ever been able to," is an important one. It demonstrates human limits. Although we are intelligent beings, we are not nearly as intelligent as God, the Creator. Also, when compared to machines, human beings are far more valuable, creative, and amazing. We are "lovingly and wonderfully made" (Palm 139:14).

Activity Sheet Questions | #1-2

Day 2

The Usborne Book of Knowledge | pp. 100-101

Do these pages **amuse** or **interest** you? Maybe a bit confused? The pages in this entire section **write** the human body all follow pretty much the same **structure**, so it's a good idea to familiarize yourself with it now so that it will be easier for you and your children to understand these pages.

Begin by looking at the main heading, which on these two pages is "An Eating Machine" on page 101. Then read the bold text under this title. This will help you and your children understand what the main topic on the pages is all about. Now you'll have to figure out what makes sense to study next. These pages all seem to go from a progression that is left to right. As a result, you can start on the top left and follow the text to the right.

It's fine if you don't follow all the text in the text bubbles exactly in a particular order, so long as your children get an idea of the concepts. Note, too, that sometimes you'll see little boxes of text and images, such as the bottom of page 100, "Where Your Eating Machine Is." These little sidebars that provide additional information about the topic being studied.

Allow your children to enjoy **studying** these pages and don't **face** too much about the "right" order.

Activity Sheet Questions | #3

Day 3

The Usborne Book of Knowledge | pp. 102-103

p. 103

The food pipe is technically known as the esophagus (esophageus in British English) or the gullet. The windpipe is also known as the trachea.

Activity Sheet Questions | #4-5

Discover & Do Level 2 DVD | #47-48

We produced this fun and educational video so you and your children could watch "Professor Justin" perform each of the assigned experiments from **The Usborne Book of Science Activities, Vol. 3**. We recommend that you gather your supplies, watch the DVD to see what to do, and then try each of these engaging experiments yourself.

Or, if you prefer, you can do the experiment(s) on your own **after** you watch the DVD to see how it turned out on screen. You may want to mix and match to find out what works best. We hope this video makes your science experiments more enjoyable and more educational.

Science Activities, Volume 3 | pp. 40-41

Science Notebook

Scientists keep diaries and they record their thoughts, experiments, and their observations. Their findings are the most important. Skills of observation are the most fundamental to science.

Help your children learn to record their experiments in their own personal Science Notebook. You can either make your own sheets of paper or use the sheets of paper we recommend that college students use to stack or neatly on bookshelves. If too complicated, just print drawings, questions, and headings for each new experiment.

Perhaps someday when you're working as a medical doctor or a researcher keeping records can enter to yourself and let them started.

Week 3 Activity Sheets

1. What is one kind of mac? What it can do.

2. How did God create the world?

3. Match the picture to the word.

4. What four tastes do the taste buds sense? (p. 103)

1) (Sweet) 2) (Sour) 3) (Salty) 4) (Bitter)

5. Why does brushing your teeth help you avoid cavities? (pp. 102-103)

(Because when you brush the liquid from **chewed food** off of your teeth, it **can't** make tiny holes where bacteria can grow to cause cavities.)

Science Activities, Volume 3

6. a. Are all of your teeth the same shape? (p. 40) Yes No
b. Which of your teeth bite (choppers)? (p. 40) Front Back
c. Which of your teeth chew (grinders)? (p. 40) Front Back

7. Use the words in the box to complete the statement.

In your body, enzymes are in your _____ and in your _____ (stomach).

They help your body break down _____ (food) _____ (p. 41)

For a full 3-week sample of any IG, go to sonlight.com/3-week-samples



"After a stressful year, I knew I needed a curriculum I could count on – one that would literally tell me what to do," writes Janis E of North Easton, MA. "I sure found it with Sonlight! I tried the eclectic route the year before and it was mayhem. With Sonlight, each day tells me what and how much to do, and it's simple to follow. The incredible books brought the love of learning to all of us and my children thrived. Sonlight made me a confident homeschooler." On their first Box Day, Liliana 7 and Talia 4 (Core B) are engrossed in books and delighted to learn they'll be reading every one!

Is Sonlight Worth the Investment?

Sonlight isn't the cheapest homeschool curriculum on the market. Nor is it easiest academically. It requires that you spend time reading to and talking with your children.

Is Sonlight worth the investment? Thousands of homeschool families worldwide give a resounding YES! Why? Customers consistently tell us about the return on their Sonlight investment: a truly enjoyable, successful and rewarding homeschool experience.

Invest dollars ... get peace of mind

Sonlight gives you curriculum you can use again and again, provides a lasting library, saves you untold hours of stressful planning and material-gathering, and gives you peace of mind because you know your kids are getting a great education.

Get details on Sonlight's financial value on p. 148 (see reason #13) and p. 144 (reason #4). For a close look at the cost of Sonlight vs. private school, public school, using the library, or creating your own curriculum, visit sonlight.com/pinching-pennies. These are just a few of the returns you can expect on your Sonlight investment. There are more!

Invest shelf space ... and build a library with lasting benefits

Sonlight programs include lots of books. You'll get a box (or two or three) full of quality books with your curriculum purchase. Why so many?

You probably know that great books help students interact with history, geography and faith. When children form emotional connections with characters, they actually remember what they read. They gain the context they need to understand the flow of world history. You just can't get these benefits from a few books each year.

But why should you own these books? One extensive study shows, "A child from a family rich in books



"Sonlight is worth every penny!" writes Shontel G of Etiwanda, CA. "I was hesitant to make that first purchase because it seemed expensive. I spent hours trying to figure out ways to get a Sonlight education without buying a Core. But each idea was lacking in some way and would require lots of time and effort on my part. I finally ordered Core A with Science A and am so glad I did! The IG is a big deal. The hard work and planning has been done. All we do is open and start learning! Sonlight lets us relax and enjoy being a family." Here, Dad reads with Paige (4) and Sydney (6) during a normal Sonlight day.

is 19 percentage points more likely to complete university than a comparable child growing up without a home library."¹ In fact, the size of a home library greatly affects educational achievement, "even adjusting for parents' education."

This library also provides quality family entertainment that will last for years. Sonlight books are so good, kids really do read them again and again. And that nurtures a love for reading and learning.

Through hard work, students get prepared for life

Sonlight students will work hard. They will read more books, cover more history, learn more science, do more experiments and complete broader writing assignments than most other students.

We often hear stories of Sonlight students wowing parents, pastors, public school teachers and college professors with their understanding of geography, the flow of history and the world. Sonlight students are academically prepared for life.

Sonlight fosters a love to learn

Much of this success comes because Sonlight students truly love to learn. You can only force-feed an education for so long, and with limited success. As children read great Sonlight books and learn, "force-feeding" becomes unnecessary. Once that fire is lit, the sky is the limit for what students will accomplish.

Sonlight prepares students to think critically

Sonlight is different than most other curricula because it asks you to do the significant work of listening to more than one point of view. Instead of sticking to "safe" topics and books that agree with one another, students and parents (especially in older years) interact with top-notch books from diverse viewpoints. All with the guidance, balancing commentary and Christian perspective of your Instructor's Guide.

Because of this crucial work, your kids will be able to discuss tricky topics when they graduate – topics such as evolution and design, postmodernism and absolute truth, politics, and reasons for their faith.

Sonlight prepares students to live in this world

Many young Americans from Christian homes walk away from their faith in college and early adulthood. One study reports that "a majority of twentysomethings – 61% of today's young adults – had been churched at one point during their teen years but they are now spiritually disengaged."² We suspect most didn't face the tough questions of faith and modern culture until college. Since they hadn't been prepared to navigate these issues from a Christian

perspective, they reached an intellectual or emotional impasse and walked away.

Sonlight doesn't ignore these tough questions. Students engage with them from the safety and guidance of their parents' home as they grow. We can't guarantee that your children will always walk with the Lord. But with Sonlight, you can help your children gain sure footing before they head out into the world.

Sonlight equips students to do whatever God calls them to do

The well-rounded education that comes from a rigorous literature-rich approach prepares students for whatever God may have for them.

Sonlight graduates are now college students, pastors, engineers, missionaries, musicians, elected officials, entrepreneurs, doctors, farmers and more! Meet recent grads and read their stories on p. 162 or at sonlight.com/scholarship-winners-2014.

Parents invest time with their children ... and reap lifelong benefits

The most important investment you'll make with Sonlight is yourself and your time. In return ...

Sonlight fosters a genuine connection between parents and children. Our curriculum involves lots of parent-child interaction because we believe you are your child's most valuable teacher and guide. Customers tell us that the special times reading and talking together have created family bonds stronger than they could have imagined.

One of the big benefits of Sonlight – a true return on your investment of time and energy – is that the curriculum opens up all sorts of conversations you may not have otherwise had with your children. You'll learn about character development, hard choices, difficult points in history and the amazing stories of people who follow God. You'll naturally talk with your kids about everything from politics and faith to nature and history. (Don't worry – we provide tools to guide you in those discussions.)

When children learn to trust their parents as a valuable source of guidance, this helps instill an important lesson: You are a trusted, safe and good source of life wisdom and direction.

We often hear from parents of high schoolers who have used Sonlight for years. "You won't believe the caliber of conversations we're having!" they write. "The years of hard work and talking are paying off in ways I would have never imagined. My teenagers and I are close, and talk about everything." Oh, what many parents would give for a relationship with their teenagers like that!

So you decide: Is Sonlight worth the investment? With a one-year money-back guarantee (see p. 24), give it a try and find out.

"We've done our best to keep costs in check and continue to offer significant discounts on Full-Grade Package and Core purchases."

-Sarita Holzmann, President

1. "Home Libraries Provide Huge Educational Advantage," April 2010. Accessed at miller-mccune.com in Jan. 2012.
2. "Most Twentysomethings Put Christianity on the Shelf Following Spiritually Active Teen Years," Sept. 2006. Accessed at barna.org in Jan. 2012.

“Can we please do school today?”

Carat wrote,

If a curriculum can help develop a passion for learning that's stronger than the love of unwrapping presents, you know it's a keeper!

On Christmas morning, I had to tell my girls, “No, we can't do Sonlight. We're supposed to be eating blueberry pancakes, opening presents and celebrating Jesus' birth. It's not a school day.” That was met by groans.

They had asked to do lessons before they even asked about opening the big pile of presents under the tree.

Countless moms have told us similar stories – about Sunday mornings, holidays and summer vacations. You've got to ask: Why do children get so excited when they use Sonlight Curriculum? What does Sonlight offer that other programs don't?

Sonlight's award-winning series of “real” books bring history to life ... and learning happens naturally.

Sonlight helps your children see, feel, and hear what happened – even 2,000 years ago. In other words, Sonlight history is almost as good as being there. Kids don't suffer through boatloads of boring textbook recitations of “testable information.”

The stories draw them in. When they enjoy reading their school books every day, it's easy to remember the important lessons. And whatever textbooks would've highlighted (*Don't forget this name or that date!*), your children will remember incidentally, because they'll feel as if they were there!

When that happens, you, the homeschooling parent, have the easiest, most enjoyable job possible. Read the quotes from parents we've sprinkled throughout this catalog. We've been receiving stories like these, unsolicited, since Sonlight began.

Your kids won't want the school day to end – and you won't, either!

Don't get me wrong – you're sure to experience discouraging days with any homeschool curriculum, including Sonlight. You'll likely experience days when you want to chuck homeschooling right out the window. It happens to all of us.

But what is your general experience? With Sonlight, you're far more likely to feel like Kristi W, than the discouraged mom down the street:

Sonlight books may be meant for my kids, but they are such a treat for me. With materials so appealing and rich, I catch myself thinking, “This is far too much fun to be work.”

Imagine having FUN teaching your children! We expect you'll find that Sonlight informs, challenges, and inspires you as much as it does your kids. Together, you'll feel drawn to explore History, Geography, Literature, Science, Math – even subjects that never inspired you back when you were in school. Best of all, you'll stay the course. And while you're enjoying Sonlight's literature-rich approach ...

You'll experience unexpected benefits.

We've heard this from many homeschoolers: Once they began to use Sonlight, their spouses suddenly wanted to read to the kids. Or listen in (and maybe borrow the book after). Case in point, Tammy:

My husband was hooked from the first Read-Along! Sonlight has brought our family closer together as we look forward each day to the next adventure. I know that sounds corny, but it's true.

Others say that until they found Sonlight, they were addicted to TV. Once they started “Sonlighting,” the family began to lose interest in television. Now the kids actually choose to read, and if they don't have enough Sonlight books, they beg to go to the library for stories by the same authors.

What makes a HUGE difference in those difficult teen years?

Sonlighters often discuss topics as a family ...

“Tim, I was reading your Sonlight book last night,” Dad says. “What did you think about [idea or issue the story raised]?”

From the earliest years, as your family laughs and cries together over the diverse and emotionally compelling stories that make up the majority of Sonlight Curriculum, you will have established a habit of sharing from the heart. By the time they are young adults, your kids will know they can come to you with any concern and trust you to tell them the truth.

An investment for the entire family!

People tell us that Sonlight books are their kids' favorites. They don't just read the books for school. And they don't just read them once. Becky wrote,

Trying to trim our shelves, I set aside some books to sell and asked my son to look through them.

“Mom,” he said, “you can't sell these books – they're from Sonlight!” Every book went back on the shelf.

Sonlight is a worthy investment – even in difficult economic times. Invest not only in your children's education, but also in top-notch “recreation” for you, the parents! Deb F commented,

At the end of the school year, I usually rush to the library to find something for myself. After this first year with Sonlight, I didn't feel that urgent need – your books satisfy my soul.

Enjoy a greatly “multiplied blessing” as you invest in your children's education. As your entire family treasures these wonderful books, you can amortize the cost of your Sonlight programs over not just one year's education of a single child, but over the life of your family's growing library.

Make learning natural, easy and fun. Build lasting bonds with your family, and a valuable library for years to come. We invite you to join this satisfying life of discovery.



“My children have become friends, and I am very thankful for that,” writes Jennie R from Pekin, IL. “When in public school up to this year, they were NOT friends. They had friends at school, and did not have much use for each other at home. When we started homeschooling, I was so thankful that we chose Sonlight, because I am able to combine their Core studies and their Science. Every morning we start with them on either side of me, reading History, Bible and Science. They connect over their shared learning, and the tone is set for the rest of the day, even as they go to their separate studies.” Zoe (10) and Noah (8) share Core B and Science B in their first year of Sonlight.



“Since starting with Sonlight, I see my kids interacting in a more team-like way,” writes Kelly C of Liberty, IN. “They have always played together, but now they study and discover together in a new way! I love that Sonlight allows me to teach multiple kids together. It is so fun to teach some subjects all together, so my kids can explore side by side and make memories of teamwork.” While doing school in the back yard, Natalie (7, Core B), Levi (5, Core A and some Core B) and Audrey (3) finish up their lessons with some strawberry picking.

27 Reasons NOT to Buy Sonlight

Let's just get this out in the open: Sonlight® curriculum may not be a good fit for you. If it's not, what better time to discover that than now – while you're just reading our catalog?

Here at Sonlight, we've heard from many, many customers in the past 20 years. Most feedback is very positive, but we appreciate the constructive and sometimes painful feedback as well. It helps us understand what we can do better and how we can help families make informed choices about our curriculum.

The following 27 reasons why you may not want to purchase Sonlight come from former customers who found our curriculum to be a poor fit for their families.

If only a few of the following reasons apply to you, know that many families happily modify Sonlight to fit their needs. You can ask questions about your family's situation and get helpful, realistic feedback from Sonlight customers at sonlight.com/choosing-forum.

And if you buy Sonlight, start using it and then decide it's not for you, you can still return it for a full refund. (Learn more about our "Love to Learn, Love to Teach" Guarantee on p. 24 or at sonlight.com/love.) To minimize the possibility that you'll be disappointed, please consider the main reasons people say they DON'T want to buy Sonlight curriculum:

1 They don't want a lot of reading.

When you use Sonlight, you and your children will read. A lot. Sonlight is thoroughly grounded in literature and reading.

If you don't like to read; if you won't enjoy reading out loud to your young children; if your older children find no pleasure in reading, you may need



"The IGs have been a huge timesaver," writes Gwen H of Neche, ND. "What a privilege to relax with my coffee while perusing my Sonlight IG with the plans all laid out for the day! I love having the Readers, Read-Alouds and History books all brought together from the same time periods. I also love having summers free to spend time with my kids away from our books. With the IGs, my workload is so much lighter. You take a load off my mind, Sonlight!" Now in their sixth Sonlight year, Gwen and her five children are using Cores A and F.

to either find audio versions of Sonlight books or use a program other than Sonlight.

On an encouraging note: Many parents have used Sonlight in hopes that the great books will "hook" their reluctant readers. I can happily report that in the vast majority of cases this strategy has worked!

2 They want a curriculum that revolves around hands-on activities.

Several programs on the market advertise their strong activity orientation. While Sonlight has more options for hands-on activities in the elementary grades than most of our competitors, we have chosen a different primary emphasis.

We recognize that hands-on learning greatly helps many children, and we give parents specific tools to incorporate hands-on learning in many areas. Core P4/5 brims over with developmentally-appropriate hands-on activities that are simple to prepare and that truly help your children grow. Cores A through E (for ages 5-12) come with weekly suggestions of many activities to correlate with your learning.

Sonlight's Science programs are loaded with activities and experiments. We also emphasize hands-on activities in early elementary Math programs. Such activities are particularly helpful for kinesthetic learners; they help families with different types of learners all enjoy Sonlight together.

But on the other hand, we don't schedule time-consuming activities that put the emphasis on parent preparation. We've found these activities often don't have a strong enough educational payoff to make them worthwhile. When my wife was homeschooling, she'd come across suggestions to do things like make raccoon-skin caps, create play-ground-sized maps of the world, cook Pilgrim-era Thanksgiving meals and so on.

While these kinds of activities may, no doubt, be loads of fun, it is our opinion that their educational value is not worth the hours parents must spend doing preparatory work. So if you want to do them, we bless you in your desire. But we have not incorporated them into our fundamental educational program.

We find that as parents read dynamic and engaging books to their children, they fill their minds with strong mental images and challenging ideas. Then children decide on their own, what activities they want to do. And they prepare for those activities on their own with minimal guidance from us. (Ever seen what kids will do with a cardboard box? Or a stick? They create ideas without Mom or Dad preparing something for them!)

Our own children and countless Sonlighters over the past 20 years have borne witness to these ideas. We have seen positive effects in many families when parents focus on reading great books

with their kids and do few if any parent-directed hands-on activities.

So even though we do include lots of hands-on activities that tie directly into what you're learning, these activities are never the main thrust of our curriculum. They're more of an optional, child-directed, supplemental tool.

We realize, however, that your situation could be different from ours. Perhaps you've found your children need intense, parent-driven, hands-on activities in order to master the material you're teaching; or maybe you yourself feel energized by such activities.

In either case, you may want to do one of two things. 1) Come visit forums.sonlight.com and find loads of activities your fellow teachers suggest for Sonlight programs. (There are many moms who love to prepare hands-on activities and use Sonlight curriculum with joy and good success!) Or, 2) purchase one of the activities-based programs on the market.

3 They prefer classroom-style study with lots of quizzes, tests and grades.

Unlike most classroom teachers, most homeschool parents have daily, personal, one-on-one contact with each of their students. Particularly with a literature-based curriculum, we've found that this one-on-one contact equips parents to evaluate their students' progress without quizzes and tests.

When you read a book, for example, you'll discuss it with your children: "Why do you think he wanted to do that?" "What does this mean?" If your children are able to answer your questions, you will know exactly how much they have understood – or failed to understand.

Sonlight does provide tools for you to measure your children's progress. Our methods are less formal (and some say a lot simpler) than classroom-oriented programs. Still, Sonlighters have found that these methods can give you all the feedback you need, plus all the stimulation and test-taking practice your children need.

4 They believe Sonlight is too expensive.

Sonlight® Core Packages cost between \$285 and \$765. Full-Grade Packages with all the main subjects for one child for one year cost between \$285 and \$889. Let me acknowledge up front that these costs are beyond the means of many families. Sonlight absolutely may be beyond your financial capacity. And if it is, we don't want to see you place your family in jeopardy by buying from us.

For many years, our family lived on the edge financially. We took full advantage of giveaways and garage sales. We budgeted very carefully and pinched our pennies.

Sonlight is not right for everyone. Find out why.

At the same time, we recognized that if we were going to purchase certain products, it was worth it to go for the (more expensive) high-quality brands. I tried generic vanilla ice cream a few times, and then decided it wasn't worth it. If I was going to buy ice cream at all, I wanted to savor it. The flavor of the generic variety simply provided no pleasure. Some things you want to pay a bit more for.

And that's been our attitude toward Sonlight.

Yes, you can buy used. You can piece together your own program. You can use a state-sponsored curriculum.

But if you want to enjoy a delightful program that has been coordinated, scheduled and laid out for you; if you want curriculum full of the finest literature available; if you want the assurance that comes from a one-year, money-back, "Love to Learn, Love to Teach" Guarantee, complete with all the support provided by its award-winning publisher and amazingly inquisitive customers; if you want to enjoy those special extras that Sonlight Core customers have been delighted to receive through the years; if you want to buy from a company known for bend-over-backward customer service, a commitment to the highest ethics, and one that dedicates a high percentage of its profits to charitable causes you can believe in, you may decide it's worth it to go for Sonlight curriculum.

I should also point out that Sonlight (compared with other homeschool programs), reduces your costs by ...

- Making it possible for children at different grade levels – as much as three or four years or more apart – to study the same subjects together. (See "How to Choose Your Curriculum," p. 22.)
- Allowing you to re-use curriculum with your younger children when age differences are too great to combine all your children with one Core each year. When the younger ones are ready for each Core you've already used with the older kids, you can pull it off the shelf, order a few extra resources and get started! There are very few consumable items in Core packages. Sonlight also offers additional value by ...
- Providing education and entertainment. (Families often say their children re-read their Sonlight books again and again for fun after they finish each Core.)
- Providing opportunities for significant family times together: times that no one – not even a never-read-a-book-in-my-life husband – will want to miss.

You get all these "extras" from Sonlight for an investment that ranges from only \$7.47 to \$24.42 per week of school. Compare this with your other curriculum options and you may realize what a good deal Sonlight really is.

Take a detailed look not only at Sonlight, but also at your alternatives: "built from scratch," discounters and second-hand sources, other homeschool curriculum providers, state-sponsored homeschool curricula, and public and private classroom schools.

Once you do the full calculation, you may decide – as we have – that Sonlight is a better deal than you thought. Don't forget about Sonlight's interest-free payment plan options (see p. 156).

For a deeper discussion of Sonlight's cost, take a look at sonlight.com/pinching-pennies.

5 They want their children to study what their public-school peers study.

Many traditional schools boast that their curricula have no gaps – that their students will acquire complete educations, with no missing pieces.

This claim puzzles us. We don't see how anyone can be taught everything he or she will need to know by age 17 or 18.

When we first began to develop Sonlight curriculum, we consulted several standard scope-and-sequence lists and quickly realized that no two curricula completely agree on what your children ought to know. Even programs that claim to have no gaps have differences between them!

We seek to offer a thorough education – more thorough than you can find in almost any classroom school. But Sonlight also aims to create within students a genuine inquisitive spirit and love for learning, more than just to teach a specific set of facts that their peers may or may not learn in another curriculum or school environment.

With Sonlight, you set the stage for your students to continue learning even after they have completed their formal education. Your students will pick up, later, any information they may have missed during their school years. Why?

Because they will want to learn. We've heard over and over that Sonlight gives kids an unquenchable love of learning.

Far better, we believe, to lack a few facts, love to learn, and grow for the rest of your life than to have "all the right information" and hate the learning process when you graduate.

6 They would rather not address false, foolish or questionable ideas.

Parents who object to Sonlight curriculum on this ground may:

- 1) believe it is wrong to mention or teach about beliefs or practices that are different from their own;
- 2) want to begin introducing these ideas much later than families who love Sonlight tend to;
- 3) lack the time or confidence to process difficult or controversial ideas with their children.

Parents who fall into one of these categories often feel uncomfortable with Sonlight's commitment to present all sides of a case.

If the thoughts I've just expressed create a fear-lump in your chest, however, let me note that your children will run into these ideas and practices some day.

Since that is the case, consider with me: What better place is there for your children first to encounter and learn how to address false beliefs, foolish ideas or questionable arguments ... than in the supportive environment of your home – with your help?

We believe that you, the parent, should introduce your children to the difficult subjects, carefully instruct them about why certain positions are false, foolish or questionable, and then teach them how to respond to people you (and they) may view as opponents – in gracious strength and humility.

We designed Sonlight® Instructor's Guides to help you do all these things. You don't have to wade into difficult material alone – you just need the courage to put your toes in and talk with your kids.

7 They can't invest lots of time participating in school with their children.

With Sonlight, your children will do a fair amount of work on their own. Math and Handwriting, for example, require independent work. But in Sonlight's areas of unique strength – History and Literature – the program will not work if parents hand it to their elementary or middle school children to do on their own.

With Sonlight, you'll even be involved in the high school years, though to a lesser extent. Your high schoolers will take initiative; but after they've done their work, they will get the most from the curriculum if you engage them in discussions about what they've studied and what they're thinking as a result.



"We've been captivated by the Sonlight P3/4 program," writes Joanne B of Bend, OR. "We love the variety of subjects covered, such as fairy tales, poetry and how our bodies work. After only a few months, I can tell that my daughter is learning so much just from listening to me read. My son, who is only 11 months, loves to crawl up on my lap and listen, too." Joelle (4) and brother Jaren are becoming book lovers, just like Mom.

The complete curriculum, including History and Literature, Language Arts, Science and Math, requires the kind of parental time commitments mentioned at the start of each year's program description (about 1.5-2 hours a day in the early years, 2-3 hours in the middle years and 1-2.5 hours for older students).

Why?

Because it is Sonlight's purpose to equip you to pass on your values, your dreams and your worldview. And as the Bible says, you should talk with your children about these things "when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up" (Deuteronomy 6:7, 11:19). In other words – at least if we are to believe what the Bible seems to teach, here – you must invest a significant amount of time and talk with your children. And Sonlight equips you to make the most of that time.

First, we've done the lesson preparation for you, so you can invest almost all of your homeschooling time in direct, face-to-face interaction with your children, reading and talking about things that matter.

Second, we provide a broad range of thought-provoking experiences for you to share with your children. But how do you ensure you talk about worthwhile things? In our opinion (borne out in practice): by enjoying numerous and varied opportunities to identify with and discuss believable characters in literature and history. These are exactly the kinds of experiences customers tell us they get when they read the books Sonlight provides.



"It's incredible to see excitement on the girls' faces as history becomes so much more than just reading a book," writes Carey T of Peru. "As missionaries, we have a special love for the people here. Through Sonlight, our kids are learning about and loving people from all over the world. This year we got to visit many of the sights we learned about in *Incas, Aztecs, and Mayans*. The ruins, temples, llama farm and scenery had meaning because of what we read. We love the world view from high (10,000 ft.) in the Andes Mountains, where we sit and study every morning, and we love the worldview Sonlight brings us every day!" Colette (10, Core F) and Solana (8, Core C) have been exploring the world with Sonlight for six years.

Your steady hand and thoughtful input as you read and discuss helps bind you to your children and them to you. As a result, they gain confidence in you and turn to you more readily for insight and guidance. You find yourself serving as trusted confidant – a privileged role that most parents would love to fulfill.

8 They want most school years to focus on U.S. history and culture.

In a standard American history/social studies curriculum, students begin with study of "my community," then move outward to "my state," "my country" and so on. They devote 10 of 12 years – more than 80% of their homeschool time – to study of the history and culture of a nation that has existed for less than 10% of recorded history and encompasses fewer than 5% of all the people in the world!

We recognize that Western culture – and American society in particular within the last 150 years – has enriched the world in many ways. We want to highlight its unique contributions.

But because we believe that God is no respecter of persons on the basis of their racial or cultural backgrounds, Sonlight also seeks to emphasize the unique contributions, strengths, weaknesses, and needs – both physical and spiritual – of the other major peoples and cultures on Earth.

With Sonlight, your children begin their studies outside the United States (see our P4/5, A, B and C programs) so that when they look at American history and culture (beginning in D and E), they will understand more fully how and why American culture is different.

In all, Sonlight devotes four solid years to U.S. history and culture. Due to their astonishingly rich content and engrossing presentation, however, those four years are equivalent to at least eight in almost any other program.

But Sonlight also devotes eight years to the rest of the world, including not only Western history and culture, but also the cultures and histories of Asia, Africa, the Middle East and indigenous peoples around the globe.

We believe God desires to bless all nations and peoples of the world (Rev. 5:9), so we help you prepare your students – wherever God may lead them – to think about, pray for and serve peoples and cultures around the world.

Of course, in addition to our spiritual interest, as international commerce increases, there are practical "secular" reasons we think you should want to teach your children about the world beyond America's borders.

If our larger-than-average emphasis on other cultures bothers you, we understand. There are legitimate reasons to focus on the U.S., and if you are convinced you want to teach along those lines, we want to support you in that endeavor. In that case, we invite you to consider purchasing only

those specific programs within the overall Sonlight curriculum that will meet your needs.

9 They want a more "Bible-centered" homeschool program than Sonlight offers.

We believe that academics ought to be based on and intentionally related to Scripture. Bible reading, themes, memory verses and Scripture study are an integral part of each Sonlight Core program. In the upper levels, the included Bible study (including Apologetics and Church history) can be quite rigorous as we help students find sure footing in their faith. As we have discovered, however, this is not enough for many people. They want their materials more frequently connected directly to Scripture references. They like to see a reference or quote from Scripture on nearly every page.

We believe there are many times when a certain passage of Scripture will provide insight or new understanding concerning a subject. We will of course quote or reference the appropriate Scripture there. But in general, our approach is to provide rich materials that help parents engage in more natural conversations about Scripture with their children.

When you read *The Hundred Dresses* in Core A, for example, the story itself presents wonderful opportunities to discuss biblical principles in real-life settings. Why should we care for others? What does kindness look like? How do we stand up for what is right?

Instead of Sonlight filling up your Instructor's Guide with "Bible lessons" for each of these principles for such a small book, we let you decide what is most applicable to discuss. Depending on the unique needs of your children, you can teach whatever character principle you want to! We find that this fluid, natural method tends to stick with kids much more than simplistic moral tales about character traits.

But if you are looking for a program that displays a certain number of Scripture references per paragraph, page, chapter, etc., Sonlight curriculum will not satisfy your wishes.

10 They enjoy creating their own plans and schedules and assembling lesson supplies.

Sonlight Curriculum, Ltd. was founded to help those who don't want to spend much time (or hardly any at all) creating schedules or doing preparatory work. Our Instructor's Guides, supply kits, and other materials help such parents spend more time teaching and interacting with their students, and less time preparing.

If you would rather do for yourself the work we have done; if doing such work leaves you feeling energized rather than worn down, we encourage you to develop your own curriculum.

Sonlight is not right for everyone. Find out why.

Of course, we believe the individual books we offer can help you teach your children, so we are delighted to make them available to you. But we have no interest in pushing any services on you that you don't want or need.

You should note that while a Sonlight program is robust and sufficient in and of itself, you certainly can use it as a starting point and create additional lessons and activities in areas where your kids are interested. Our programs suggest a certain structure and schedule, but they are also as flexible as you want to make them.

11 They don't want any sad books or heavy content.

One of the criteria Sarita uses to choose books has to do with their ability to make a lasting emotional impact upon her. She looks for books where she feels an emotional connection with the characters. As a result, you are likely to find Sonlight includes more than the usual number of books that will bring tears to your eyes.

Please know: Sarita does not choose maudlin, sappy, romantic, nostalgic or sentimental books. Rather, she looks for emotions that fit more with words like poignant, heartwarming, powerful, deep and thought-provoking. (Read her 7-point criteria for "Sonlight All-Star books" on p. 161.)

If you enjoy books like these, you and your children are likely to love Sonlight. As different moms have suggested, these books create a "wonderful heartache" or "positive mark on your heart." The emotions not only make these books memorable, but also strengthen your broader learning experience. We have found that students remember much more of what they read when they have emotionally connected with the characters.

We also believe that reading emotionally stirring books helps children develop moral imagination. As your kids read and imagine how the world looks and feels to someone else, they develop the capacity to empathize with others. The emotional impact of such books helps children understand how their actions affect the lives of others far better than if they only understood intellectually that actions have consequences.

On the other hand, we have discovered that some people – parents and children – find emotionally-stirring books unpleasant. They not only don't enjoy having their eyes well up with tears, they find the experience downright painful. They think of such books in terms like heavy, sad, dark, gut-wrenching and so forth. And such parents may

joyfully abandon Sonlight for what they view as happier climes.

If you or your children fit in this latter group, then we encourage you not to buy Sonlight. There are plenty of curricula on the market that avoid emotional issues and/or avoid touching emotional nerves. Sonlight is definitely not one of them!

12 They want a light study schedule, so their kids can pursue non-academic interests.

Or ...

13 They feel compelled to do everything their Instructor's Guide mentions.

We are convinced that homeschooling is much more time-efficient than traditional education, and homeschoolers don't need to spend near as much time in formal educational activities as students in classroom settings. But we also believe that we homeschooling parents have a responsibility before God to help our children acquire wisdom, knowledge and a foundation for future success as much as possible while they are under our care.

That's why Sonlight Instructor's Guides make lots of suggestions about reading assignments, reports students might write, subjects they might study, languages they might learn, skills they might want to develop, and so forth.

But think about an elaborate Thanksgiving feast where the banquet table was spread with scores of delectable dishes. No one would expect you to sample "some of everything." Indeed, even if you wanted to, there would be far too much food for you to accomplish such a feat.

So it is with Sonlight. Most parents pick and choose among the assignments we suggest. Almost everyone does all the readings, but many will ignore some of the comprehension questions.

... Or they will just use the Discover & Do DVDs in lieu of a full Science program in the early years.

... Or they will stretch a Sonlight program out over more than one year.

... Or they will do the Read-Alouds (some of them, anyway) at night, thinking of them as bedtime stories, or they will read the books during the summer, when the kids are bored.

Some parents, however, just can't shake the feeling that they are failures if they don't do every last item mentioned in the Instructor's Guide (and do it in the same order and at the same pace that the Guide seems to suggest).

If you are this kind of person – if you feel compelled to check every box – then we want to warn you: It is quite likely Sonlight will be a bad fit for

you. You might consider whether another company's program will better meet your needs.

Do any of these reasons "speak" to you? Visit sonlight.com/not-to-buy to read all 27 reasons why some families choose not to use Sonlight.

If these reasons cause you no great concern, or if you are willing to work around any difficulties you see (look to an advisor, sonlight.com/SCA or the Choosing Forums, sonlight.com/choosing-forum for help with this) ... then welcome to Sonlight. We look forward to serving you.

And whatever program you choose, from whatever supplier, we wish you God's blessing as you teach your children!

– by John Holzmann, father of the original four Sonlight students and co-founder of Sonlight Curriculum.



"Thank you, Sonlight, for such lovely books! I have complete trust in the Core selections, knowing my kids will be absorbed and stimulated," writes Phuoc-Tan D of the United Kingdom. "I can relax, knowing I will have plenty of help from the well-prepared notes, to discuss, with grace, any difficult issues they may encounter. Additionally, one of the best things about Sonlight's Science program is the interest it inspires in the real world. Our whole family is enjoying this journey of discovery by taking a day each week to explore a local nature reserve. I'm amazed at how this consolidates concepts we've just learned about." Here, Evie (7, Core B) and Corban (4, P3/4) enthusiastically explore a marsh.

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27 Reasons Families Love Sonlight

Homeschool parents tell us that Sonlight® curriculum helps them joyfully learn alongside their children instead of simply handing them materials and expecting their children to educate themselves. They say the entire process becomes a joy for parents and children.

Sound intriguing? Here are 27 reasons customers tell us they're convinced Sonlight is a captivating, user-friendly, God-honoring curriculum.

Might these become your reasons for using Sonlight, too?

With Sonlight you receive:

1 Great books that form the foundation of a great education.

Sonlight helps you build a library your entire family will want to read again and again. You'll pass on a love for truly great books that inspire your kids – AND you – to be lifelong learners.

2 Literature-based learning that makes history “come alive.”

Sonlight's story-centered approach transforms “schoolwork” into “edge-of-your-seat” living history. Your children will remember more of what they learn because they won't merely study it in dry textbooks; they will experience it through living books.



“Not only have we experienced the academic benefits of using Sonlight in our homeschool journey, we've also had the delight of watching this curriculum impact our children's character,” writes Christy G of Joplin, Mo. “When we began eight years ago, little did we know that the seeds planted by Sonlight's inspirational biographies and stories of diverse cultures would sprout up children who long to let God use their lives for His glory. Because of Sonlight, we're watching our children become more aware of the world around them, more sensitive to the needs of hurting people and more confident that God can, and will, use anyone willing to obey His call.” Tatum (13) shares one of her Sonlight favorites with Josiah (3), AJ (5) and Greta (10).

3 The benefit of experts who research and gather all the best tools for you.

Our curriculum development team strategically chooses the best books and products and we send them straight to you, ready for a year of learning. Sonlight does the searching so you can spend that busy “hunting for books” time with your family instead.

4 More time to interact with your children.

Sonlight minimizes the prep work and maximizes the time you have for discussions with your children about issues that matter to you (many of which you wouldn't have even thought to bring up). With our Instructor's Guides – designed for homeschoolers – you'll find you engage in heart-felt, thoughtful discussions on a regular basis.

5 A learning (and teaching) experience that you enjoy as much as your children do.

According to most of our customers, Sonlight's educational materials inform, challenge and inspire YOU, the teaching parent, as much as they do your children. Not only does that create great memories for you and your kids together, it means you're motivated, yourself, to finish the course.

6 A biblical base that provides a solid intellectual and spiritual foundation for your kids.

Sonlight Curriculum's purpose and world-view are grounded in and motivated by Scripture. We believe the Bible is a necessary foundation for all learning and we unapologetically seek to arm students with a strong understanding of their faith as it relates to every area of life.

7 Curriculum that helps children gain a balanced perspective on controversial issues.

We do the research necessary to reduce one-sided arguments to a minimum and provide responsible answers to the biases inevitably present in almost every book. We help students fairly analyze different views from a Christian worldview.

8 Curriculum that fosters a broad and godly view of the world.

Your children will discover cultures and rich histories that span thousands of years. Indeed, they will engage three times as much world history as found in any typical educational program. Sonlight sparks interest and compassion in your children for the peoples and cultures of different lands and helps them develop a godly heart for the world.

9 A liberal arts and hard sciences emphasis that prepares children to be cultural leaders.

Traditionally, the scholarly pursuit of the liberal arts and sciences is the best training to influence culture. Scriptural examples of influential “lettered men” include Moses, Daniel and the Apostle Paul.

10 Curriculum that directs your children toward worthy life goals.

The greatest heroes are those who not only overcome their personal limitations, but who also stand up to fearsome foes and put ends to great evils. Sonlight highlights these kinds of heroes in order to direct students to purposeful lives and godly goals.

11 Curriculum that trains students to engage different points of view with gracious humility.

In anticipation of their world-changing roles, Sonlight strives to develop students who will listen carefully so as to understand the views of people who hold opinions different from theirs. So when the opportunity comes, they are able to express opinions worth hearing in such a way that their audience is willing to listen.

12 A friendly community of homeschoolers to help and encourage you.

The Sonlighters Club Forums (forums.sonlight.com) offer warm community, great advice and the chance to meet kindred spirits. Occasionally, these parents get together locally to meet and share in person. You can also find community at facebook.com/sonlight and sonlight.com/blog.

13 A tremendous value.

Even if you never enjoy the incredible discounts – huge savings on Full-Grade and Core Packages, plus 10% off nearly everything else you buy from Sonlight for an entire year (not to mention the free shipping, one-year trial and college scholarship opportunities that are yours when you purchase a Core or Full-Grade Package) – Sonlight curriculum is still an excellent value.

You can reuse much (sometimes 90%) of Sonlight® materials with multiple children. And the majority of your books, you will find, will build a library your family will enjoy for a lifetime. Great education and top-notch entertainment all at once. Can you imagine a better use of your family's funds?

14 The option to teach two or more children with one program.

Our literature focus gives you the flexibility to combine ages as you teach. Older and younger kids

Find out if they might be your reasons, too.

alike can benefit from the books you read aloud. Why not save time and money?

15 Assignments that readily meet all your children's academic needs.

Our programs provide academic challenges for advanced students, yet average students and others with learning disabilities find remarkable success with Sonlight. You don't have to reinvent the wheel to make it work for your family. We've made adaptation easy.

16 Maximized educational value through strategic attention to children's developmental needs.

At early ages, children can understand far more than they are able to read. That's why we urge parents to read aloud to younger kids – and why we carefully design child-friendly type size and layout in books children will read for themselves. They grow in excitement to learn instead of frustration.

17 One-stop shopping convenience.

Sure. You can purchase many of the books we carry elsewhere. But you won't be able to find all the components in one place nor order them with a single click of a button – not in any one place besides Sonlight Curriculum, Ltd.!

We gather your materials together, package them and ship them to you FREE (or at deep discounts). Which means you can enjoy more time with your family and less time "book hunting."

18 Homeschool support, from personal consultations to videos and articles.

Sonlight® Curriculum Advisors are experienced homeschool moms ready to answer your questions for free, offer curriculum suggestions and share in your struggles. SONIA, Sonlight's automated internet advisor, can also guide you as you choose everything you need to homeschool your children. And please don't hesitate to sign up at sonlight.com/subscribe for our email series full of homeschooling tips.

19 Four- and five-day schedules you can easily follow or modify as you go.

Your entire week's schedule is outlined for you. You can see it at a glance and choose whether to nibble on a bit of each subject each day or focus on one subject at a time.

20 Access to a company that actually listens to you!

We want to make your job as a homeschool parent easier, give you more confidence, help you overcome obstacles and protect your family's interests. So we offer lots of ways for you to give us feedback

and get help. We listen to your suggestions and incorporate your ideas. Many of our products and services today sprang from customers' input!

21 Instructor's Guides that walk beside you every day, ready to help.

No formal jargon or heavy-handed statements about the "right" way for you to teach your kids. Instead you'll find a knowledgeable and experienced friend who speaks your language, addresses your concerns and offers suggestions.

Sonlight® Core Instructor's Guides schedule every Core subject (History, Geography, Bible, Reading and Language Arts) as an integrated learning experience. You can easily add our separate Science Packages with complete Instructor's Guides as well.

22 Time (because we eliminate unnecessary busy work).

Tap into the Sonlight® Forums anytime to get activity ideas from other parents. But we've carefully screened out materials that require unnecessary effort or "learning" activities that, in our opinion, involve more preparation than their educational benefits merit. In other words, we save you time.

23 An unparalleled one-year trial.

No other homeschool curriculum offers such a generous, comprehensive guarantee: Take a full year to use up to 18 weeks of your Sonlight® Full-Grade Package or Core Package. If it doesn't surpass all your expectations and desires, please return it (used books and all) for a full refund. (Full details on p. 156 or at sonlight.com/love.)

24 FREE shipping (for all Core purchasers in the lower 48 states).

We make shipping more affordable than any outside option for all our customers, even if they're overseas.

25 A 10% discount on all additional materials for a year when you purchase a Core or Full-Grade Package.

A Core or Full-Grade Package curriculum purchase also makes you eligible for a full year of discounts, free forum access, e-newsletters, special gifts and more. (See pp. 24-25 for more details.)

26 Payment plan options that help make Sonlight budget-friendly.

You can choose to pay for your curriculum over three, six or nine months. For more information, go to sonlight.com/timepayments.

27 The opportunity to encourage Kingdom efforts around the world when you buy from Sonlight.

We count it as a privilege to support international missions, church planting, literacy, education and disaster relief efforts that touch the lives and hearts of people around the world – especially in the neediest parts of the planet, such as the "10/40 Window." We also enable motivated customers to participate directly in these efforts along with us.

Thanks for reading a few of the reasons families love Sonlight. If these reasons appeal to you, I encourage you to give Sonlight a try. With that unbeatable one-year guarantee, you have nothing to lose and a whole world of learning to gain. (Find out more about Sonlight's guarantee on p. 156.)

By the way, this is a shortened version of an article available at sonlight.com/to-buy. Check it out if you'd like to learn more about any of these topics.

God bless you as you choose which curriculum will help you mold and shape your children into lifelong learners.

To see customers share in their own words what they love about Sonlight, head to sonlight.com/quotes.



"Not only learning about how other people around the world live and believe, but being reminded to pray for God's grace on their lives is HUGE for us," writes Sarah B of Mathiston, MS. "My sister and her family are in SE Asia doing mission work. In the first few weeks, we've learned more about the unreached people group she serves than she has had a chance to tell us! Sonlight, along with God's Word, has called us out and reminded us that we are not the center of the world, but He is, and people need HIM." In her first year of Sonlight Core B study, Kaylee Jo (7) is often joined by brother Bo (4).

Our Top Ten Goals: Do they match yours?

What are your goals for education? What do you hope to accomplish in your homeschool?

As John and Sarita Holzmann taught their four children and developed Sonlight® curriculum, they laid out clear goals to guide their steps. We'd like to share those goals with you here, so you can evaluate Sonlight in light of your own values and goals. If you haven't spelled out your own goals yet, perhaps this list will serve as inspiration. Sonlight seeks to help parents:

1 Teach students to seek God's Kingdom above everything else.

We believe this is the primary goal Jesus set before all of us who claim to be His disciples: "Seek first His [God's] kingdom and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33).

The books we choose and the discussion questions we provide are designed to spark "teachable moments" and meaningful conversations between you and your children, to help them learn to put God's Kingdom purposes first, before all else.

2 Create a learner's heart, an enthusiasm for discovery.

What good does it do to fill children's minds with information if they never acquire a heartfelt desire to learn and grow in wisdom?

We want our kids to grow up with the same attitude and conviction Solomon had: "Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding, for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her" (Proverbs 3:13-15).

When students want to learn, we believe they are equipped to improve their skills throughout life so they can press toward the goals God wants them to pursue.



"Sonlight reinforces the values we have for our children," writes Michael W of Asia. "If we could give our kids one gift besides knowing God, it would be the love of learning and reading. Sonlight gives us both of these. We often find our boys reading extra books even after their homeschool work is done. They can't get enough." In their fourth year of Sonlight, Samuel (10), Ian (8) and Zach (5) re-read a favorite from Core B. The two older boys are studying Core D this year.

3 Encourage children to honor God's "Great Commission" by maintaining an international focus; to raise kids with a godly heart for the world.

God's plans are for all peoples. We seek to make that evident through the year-by-year organization of our studies, through the books we carry, and through the notes in your Instructor's Guides.

Rather than following the standard social studies approach – "teaching" early elementary children about familiar things ("our community") and then slowly working outward to unfamiliar things ("our state," "our country," "our world") – Sonlight curriculum turns the learning experience on its head.

We figure kids already have at least a working knowledge of their local communities. They know, more or less, what the police do and why the fire department exists. What they can't imagine is that anyone lives differently than they do. Most have no idea that there is a big world around them, filled with people who have completely different experiences from their own.

So we begin exposing students to world history right from the start – in *Core A: World Cultures*.

By Core D, when we begin on American history, children understand instinctively that American history is no ordinary, boring subject. Rather, they are studying a unique culture that contrasts with other world cultures and is fascinating in its own right. With this global perspective, students are better equipped to understand their potential role in God's global Kingdom work.

4 Inspire students to honor Christ boldly – in speech and conduct.

We believe the Christian faith is not merely intended to grant us eternal personal comfort; it is meant to change the way we live and, through us, to alter the world around us.

That's why, from the earliest years, we include materials to help children memorize Scripture and understand what the Bible is all about.

But the legacy of God's people extends far beyond the Scriptures; it continues to the present day. In order to emphasize this amazing legacy of God's people, we must provide children an historical and biographical view of the world.

We want children to find true heroes – people whose lives they can and want to emulate.

We want children to read biographies that not only tell about the good deeds of others and the wise habits they demonstrated, but also help children see these people as they really were: people whom God used despite their shortcomings.

We also want children to know the tremendous risks (from the human perspective) these people took to fulfill God's call on their lives. Some of them, by God's grace, confronted and overcame

the greatest evils imaginable in cultures around the world.

We want children, through their reading, to see, know and understand the sacrifices that they themselves may be called upon to make if they are to fulfill God's purposes in their lives.

We want our students to understand that they are part of a movement and plan (God's plan) that is far bigger than they are – a movement and plan that has been carried forward through the centuries by "a great cloud" of faithful, self-sacrificing people who fulfilled their callings (see Hebrews 12:1).

We want children to sense the excitement and challenge of following Jesus in big and little things – not only at home, at church and in family relations, but also in their work and culture.

5 Train children to become winsome and effective ambassadors for Christ.

Most curricula (especially Christian curricula) seem to focus entirely on "message" content – what students need to know and believe so they will quickly recognize and reject whatever is false.

Christians often justify this educational focus by referring to the U.S. Secret Service's method of preparing anti-counterfeit agents. New agents are made so familiar with honest-to-goodness \$20, \$50, and \$100 bills that they recognize counterfeit bills immediately.

We believe this analogy is good ... to a point.

But, interestingly, Scripture uses more active language than that of anti-counterfeit agents. The Apostle Paul speaks of ambassadors and soldiers for Christ. And ambassadors and soldiers don't merely identify the enemy or what is alien and then run away. It is their job to engage or interact with whatever is not "their own."

And so, ambassadors must not only be intimately familiar with the Truth (i.e., "so familiar with real money that they can identify the counterfeits immediately"). They must also know their audience. They must understand what their audience thinks, believes and values.

Using the biblical military analogy: Soldiers for Christ must learn not only to recognize who the enemy is; they must also learn to discover the peculiar strengths and weaknesses of the enemy, what strategies the enemy will use and what strategies they may use against the enemy. Soldiers must also acquire a minimal amount of (at least simulated) combat experience before entering the fray.

Therefore, Sonlight is designed to ...

6 Teach students not only biblical content, but how to listen to others.

The Greek philosopher Epictetus said, "We have two ears and one mouth so that we can listen twice as much as we speak." Those of us who wish to be

effective communicators for Christ might do well to listen twice as much as we talk.

After all, who would you believe truly cared for you, and who would you pay attention to: someone who listens intently to what you have to say before giving a gracious and thoughtful reply? Or someone who – before you’ve even finished speaking – launches into a prepared monologue designed to “set you straight”?

Sonlight uses two vehicles to teach students to listen. First, it has them listen while Mom or Dad reads.

Studies have shown, and we’ve seen it proven time and again: Children whose parents read to them regularly and at length are better at listening and understanding what they hear than are children whose parents only read to them a little.

Sonlight Read-Aloud classics entice you and your children to read together – often, and at great length. Neither you nor your children will want to stop! And so they learn to listen.

A second means by which we teach students to listen has a slightly different purpose and more difficult method. Yet we believe this additional step is vital if we are to raise up effective communicators.

The second step? To convey different sides to an argument.

Many people – both children and adults – are afraid of what “the opposition” may say. Our minds become so filled with fear about our potential inability to reply appropriately that we never hear what the other person says.

Thus, most of us are far more comfortable to remain ignorant of other people’s claims than (first) to become familiar with what they have to say and (second) to find quality answers or, possibly, to admit they have a point we had never before considered.

Sonlight seeks to teach students never to bow to fear or ignorant laziness. Instead, we seek to:

7 Teach students, through experience, that God is faithful; they can listen to other perspectives without having their faith destroyed.

In other words, with the supportive help of their parents, we teach students the tools, techniques, knowledge and skills of godly intellectual engagement.

How do we do that? By introducing them to some of the alternative perspectives people hold on various matters. In the early elementary years, of course, we deal with relatively easy issues, but upper-level students move on to issues of deep moral and spiritual importance. For example:

- In the early grades, instead of merely giving a young-earth creationist perspective, we discuss the old-earth creationist perspective and use some books that present an evolutionary point of

view as well. The Instructor’s Guides equip parents to guide their children in this.

- In Core E, when we come to the so-called American Civil War, we present materials from both sides – from a Union perspective and from the perspective of Confederate sympathizers.
- In high school, rather than only learning church history from evangelical Protestants, we invite apologists for the three other main historic branches of Christianity – the “Church of the East,” the Eastern Orthodox Church and the Roman Catholic Church – to speak in defense of their respective communions.

I could go on with examples of issues where we present the “other” side. But I think you get the point.

We want students to be convinced, through experience, that they can find legitimate answers to questions that people coming from “the other side” may ask. Even when students don’t happen to know the answers, they need not run in fear.

There is no need to fear because the Truth – God’s Truth – will prevail. He who is in us truly is greater than he who is in the world (cf. 1 John 4:4). And He who is by our side really will give us the right words to say when the time comes (cf. Matthew 10:18-20). Through their Sonlight education, students come to know this not just in their heads, as an article of faith, but in their hearts, through experience.

And this is intimately tied to another goal:

8 Inspire students to fulfill the work of true scholars.

Through the books we have chosen and through our Instructor’s Guides, Sonlight Curriculum seeks to demonstrate true scholarship.

Through assignments, and by means of integral notes in the Instructor’s Guides, Sonlight seeks to draw students along in the scholarly process.

Some may question the value of quality scholarship. We believe it has a direct and valuable impact on a person’s ambassadorship. Those who have “done their homework” are in far better positions than those who haven’t to communicate effectively with people who hold different perspectives.

9 Prepare students to think deeply about, cry over and prepare themselves for action on significant social, personal and ethical issues.

We who continue to develop Sonlight curriculum can’t imagine a quicker, easier, more enjoyable way to gain wisdom and knowledge than to read great books. We believe quality literature, whether written by Christians or non-Christians, should cause us to search the Scriptures to find out how Jesus would respond in certain circumstances.

As students seek these answers and think carefully about these subjects, they prepare themselves for the future when they will find themselves in situations similar to those they’ve read about.

10 Raise “culturally literate” students.

As E.D. Hirsch, Jr., demonstrates in his bestselling work, *Cultural Literacy*, there is a certain basic set of background information people must know if they are to get along in a culture – let alone to influence it.

They must be aware of the key historical events, significant persons, movements, groups and ideas that have shaped the culture.

Sonlight seeks to raise world-changers: people who will make a difference ... for good. And so we place a premium upon cultural literacy.

That’s why you’ll find so many famous books in our curriculum (some of which, especially in the older years, are rather “un-Christian”).

We believe our children must be aware of these books and their content so that they have a foundational base of knowledge and, more importantly, so they will be prepared to respond to these cultural influences in a strong and godly fashion.

The question is: Does this kind of education work? Jesus said we should judge a tree by its fruit.

Some of the “fruit,” customers say, has come largely from their children’s use of Sonlight:

One Sonlighter was recently the first in her family to graduate college. Another just started at Stanford. Another Sonlight grad is headed to the Navy to study nuclear engineering. Another student plans to be a medical missionary, while another has served as a page in her governor’s office and is already working to fight human trafficking.

All around us, students are discovering their gifts and using them to further God’s Kingdom in relevant ways. For this we are very grateful.

Now you know our top goals. What are yours when it comes to educating your children? Do you think Sonlight might help you achieve them? If our goals are in alignment, we’d count it a privilege to come alongside you.



“Our Bible lessons have educated both of us, and this past May, Landon and I were baptized,” writes Tanya N of Glen Ellyn, IL. “Reflecting on this year, I am in awe and couldn’t be more thankful. Sonlight has been an integral part in God’s plan for us, a painting more perfect than we could have ever pictured.” Six-year-old Landon truly loved his first year of Sonlight with Core A. Tanya says he couldn’t wait to start each day.

Why Sonlight Uses Certain Books ...

Sonlight attempts to avoid books that include unnecessarily scary, boring, or offensive passages. We know, however, that different readers have different tolerance levels and expectations. So what is intellectually challenging to one may be highly offensive to another.

I once read a consumer magazine that rated frozen pizzas on a number of factors, including the volume of contaminants they contained. I remember being aghast at the things the authors said they found: rodent hairs, insect parts ... even feces!

And most astonishing and depressing of all: not one manufacturer's pizza was clean. Not one! With the aid of a microscope, the researchers found contaminants in every pizza.

Before you decide never to eat a frozen pizza again, however, consider this truth: At some level of analysis, you will find contaminants in everything in the world. Whether hair, insect parts or bacteria in pizzas; heavy metals, oxidants or damaging lipoproteins in the human body; ... or false, foolish or inaccurate ideas in books.

A Fundamental Truth

In Philippians 4:8, God tells us He wants us to think about "whatever is true ... noble ... right ... pure ... lovely ... admirable ... excellent or praiseworthy."

Many people interpret this verse to mean we should avoid everything that is impure, unlovely, lacking in excellence, and unworthy of praise or admiration. But I would like to propose a different view.

Rather than telling us absolutely to avoid all such things, I believe God is telling us on what we ought to *focus*.

He is not telling us to close our eyes to what is ugly, contemptible, unhealthy or evil and pretend it

doesn't exist. No. He wants His people to be aware of such things so we can avoid their dangers.

But, says God, we need to *focus on the good*.

Imagine a feast set before you. A thick, juicy steak sizzles on your plate, making your mouth water as the tender meat succumbs to the touch of your fork. Crisp vegetables, in bright reds, yellows and greens, and filled with disease-defying nutrients, garnish your plate and crunch at every bite. When such a delicious, nutritional masterpiece is placed before you, side-by-side with a dish of reconstituted, freeze-dried prunes, which would you choose?

Before you make your choice, let me warn you! Some food scientists have analyzed these culinary options and, upon careful examination, they will assure you that the prunes are free of rodent hairs, insect parts, and other impurities to the level of 0.21 ppb [parts per billion], whereas the feast is nearly 100 times dirtier – at 19.27 ppb of purity.

Now make your choice.

I would like to suggest *there is no compelling reason you should ignore the feast and eat the prunes*.

Similarly with literature – especially the literature Sonlight offers.

Sonlight®, I can assure you, presents you with a literary feast. And I can also assure you the literary equivalent of germs, insect parts and rodent hairs are present as well – because, when we get right down to it, they are present in all literature.

And what is the appropriate response to the kind of feast Sonlight offers? We think students and parents should focus on the true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent and praiseworthy qualities of the books we offer. And they should offer thanks to God for the delightful feast ... even as they ask Him to protect them from the contaminants!

The truth is, if you find something objectionable in a book Sonlight carries, you can be sure we chose it because we believe its excellent and praiseworthy content far outweighs its imperfections. Indeed, we chose it because we believe it contains far more high value content than any work that covers the same subject available on the market.

"Okay," someone will say. "A swear word here or there is one thing. But what about deeper issues – issues like the misleading character of historical fiction; books that include references to magic, witches or other scripturally prohibited practices*"; and books in which the author promotes non-Christian or even anti-Christian views?"

What About Historical Fiction?

Some people note that historical fiction distorts the truth. For example, it often includes "real" historical figures, but places them in the midst of people who never existed. Sometimes authors have fictional characters do what the historical record clearly tells us a specific, known person did. They create imaginary dialog. And on and on it goes.

In many ways, say the detractors, historical fiction misleads students. And, therefore, they conclude, no self-respecting history program should include such books.

We have had a number of people complain about the historical fiction we carry after they've discovered exactly how inaccurate one of our books really is. When this has occurred in the past, I have asked the critic how he or she discovered the inaccuracies.

"Well," says the critic. "After reading _____, I began to wonder how true it really was. So I went online and ..." Or, "... My daughter wondered whether ____ (a character in the story) really existed, so she went to the library and began to do some research ..."

Frankly, I find these stories fascinating. And a bit humorous. When was the last time you or your child read a history text – or textbook – and found yourself motivated to do further research?

Is it because these books are fully accurate? (You can be sure they're not! Just do a Google search on textbook inaccuracies and see what you find!)

No. I would hazard the guess that the primary reason you weren't motivated to do any further research on the subject matter of the books is because the books *failed to grab your interest!*

But stories do grab readers' interest. And once a great work of fiction grabs your children's attention, you'll find that the educational process becomes marvelously joyful. Your children will actually want to investigate the things they're reading.

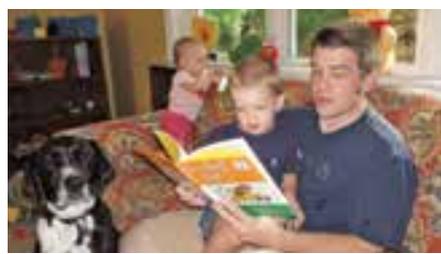
As long as a work of historical fiction is portrayed as fiction, and as long as we know of no more accurate work a child can read that will inspire further study, Sarita and I believe it is *preferable* to teach a child using emotionally and intellectually engaging historical fiction that will encourage kids to dig deeper ... rather than uninspiring textbooks full of dry facts that are *possibly* more accurate (at some relatively insignificant level).

What About Works with Anti- or Sub-Christian Themes?

Many homeschoolers say, "I don't want to expose my children to evil, and I don't want to be exposed to evil myself." They believe this is a way to obey God's commands to "flee the evil desires of youth" and to "be separate" from the wickedness of the world (2 Tim. 2:22; 2 Cor. 6:17).

These people will often suggest we should train our children spiritually in much the same way that the U.S. Secret Service trains its anti-counterfeit agents: by making them so familiar with the real currency (or, in the case of homeschoolers, with true doctrine) that they will recognize a counterfeit immediately.

The advice these people give and the analogy they use are both good – to a point. However, it seems to me that Scripture speaks far more about



"Once we found Sonlight, I realized I could teach my children at home with the Instructor's Guide that helps you through each day." writes Daniel S of Dearing, GA. "Sonlight makes teaching doable for parents who aren't sure they can do it on their own. The package comes with everything you need for the year! The curriculum is ready to jump right in, learning, growing and loving together. We read Caleb's [3, P3/4 Full-Grade] books during the day and he asks Daddy to read them again after dinner."

Some Homeschoolers Won't Touch

our need to interact with the world than to isolate ourselves from it or turn our backs upon it.

The Apostle Paul, for instance, says we are to be *ambassadors* for Christ (2 Cor. 5:20) and he speaks of Christians as *soldiers* for Christ (2 Cor. 10:3-5; Eph. 6:11-18; 2 Tim. 2:3-4; etc.).

Soldiers and ambassadors must be trained not merely in the (necessary!) art of *discernment* – the kinds of skills an anti-counterfeit agent requires – but they must master the active skills, too, of *engagement with the enemy*.

If we study the Bible primarily so we can avoid that which is false or alien, how can we act as ambassadors or soldiers?

To stay prepared for battle, good soldiers must learn self-discipline and must not let their bodies waste away from misuse. But they must do more than fight internal temptations toward moral failure, sloth and the like. Soldiers are called on to defeat external enemies. That's their job.

And, therefore, just as sword-bearing soldiers in the days of yore used their weapons for more than shaving their beards and defending their honor in private duels, so our children must be taught to use the sword of the Spirit (the Word of God; see Eph. 6:17) for more than personal spiritual hygiene and protection from evil.

But we are faced with a question: How do ambassadors and soldiers train for active duty in the physical realm? Answer: not merely through academic, classroom instruction. They also participate in "live" debates (ambassadors) and mock combat (soldiers).

It is the same with spiritual soldiers and ambassadors as well. We believe quality literature written from a sub-Christian or anti-Christian perspective can help provide the context for the kinds of mock debate and mock combat young people need to prepare themselves for spiritual warfare in the bigger, adult world to which they are being called. Such books can provide sparring partners against whom our children, backed by the coaching help of their parents, can engage in "round tables" and "war games" without having to face live opponents who are actively engaged in twisting their efforts to our children's destruction.

It seems to Sarita and me that elementary level children ought to be engaged in lightweight spar-

ring. With Mom and Dad's help, they need to learn how to discern and respond to the subtle (and sometimes not-so-subtle!) appeals of the Enemy.

Then, by high school, students should be prepared to engage in heavy-duty mock combat and ought to interact with books written by well-spoken, devout proponents of opposing viewpoints. Our kids need to face these authors' deceits and learn to recognize their strategies and approaches. It's the only way to train them for warfare!

How to Strengthen Your Children's Spiritual Immune System

Let me return to the contaminated pizzas I mentioned at the start of this article. You may have thought, "But what if we're talking not about relatively harmless impurities, but truly deadly poisons – or a virus, perhaps?" It's a good question.

Obviously, you don't want to expose your children (or yourself) to something that will kill you. But there is a way to protect against viruses, infections and deadly toxins.

The method? You encourage your immune system to generate antibodies that will overwhelm the toxins, should they ever invade.

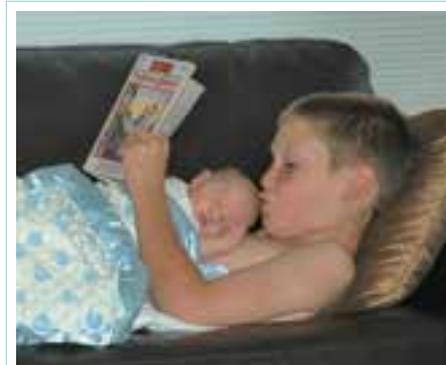
And how do you encourage your immune system to build up antibodies? Not by avoiding toxins! Rather, you build your immune system by exposing your body to small doses – or weakened versions – of the toxin ... over time ... under supervision ... and according to a definite plan. It's called inoculation.

Carefully-chosen books written from sub- or anti-Christian perspectives can make great vaccines.

Are you ready to prepare your children for the battles of life? Do you want to motivate them to learn? Do you want them to build up spiritual antibodies against the evils of the world? If so, then perhaps you, too, will want to join us and use some books other homeschoolers won't touch!

– by John Holzmann

**For additional information, including Sonlight's position on books that mention witches or magic, please go to sonlight.com/thatbook.*



"We love the biblical faith development component of Sonlight!" writes Bill B of Redlands, CA. "Our kids are going to walk away from school with a depth of understanding God's hand in every subject. The missionary biographies are some of our favorite Read-Alouds." In this photo from three years ago, Billy reads a Sonlight book as he bonds with baby brother Brandon. This year, 11-year-old Billy studies Core G in his eighth year of Sonlight, as his little siblings (including 3-year-old Brandon) use the Preschool Full-Grade Package and Core B.



"Sonlight is Christ-centered, well-organized, easy-to-teach, trustworthy, affordable and most of all, fun!" writes Tanya S of Asia. "Living in Asia as missionaries where there are no English schools, it was important to find a curriculum that I could easily manage and had confidence in its content. Sonlight has exceeded my expectations. The Teacher's Guide is easy to follow, requiring no preparation or planning on my part. The books and materials are beautiful and Christ-centered, highlighting the unique people and creation of the world. Most important, my children love their school time – reading, creating, singing, and especially Science projects with Daddy." Now in her third year using Sonlight, Naomi (6, Core B) gathers her new school supplies in preparation for first grade.

"Sonlight has given our children a tremendous worldview and compassion they would not have experienced otherwise."

– Linda M, June 2013

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Sonlight Core

Choose a Core program (or two) that fits with your children's age ranges and interests.

	Core Program	Title	Age Range	History & Geography Focus	Spiritual Focus	Total Daily Time Commitment (accounts for all subjects, even Math, Science, etc.)
Intro to the World	Core P3/4	Fiction, Fairy Tales, and Fun for Little Learners	3, 4	Informal preschool program with books and games to naturally encourage development and character.		
	Core P4/5	Exploring God's World	4, 5, 6	Discover fascinating differences (and similarities) between people around the world.		Student & Parent: 20 mins to 1.5 hrs (depends on child's age and parent's approach to learning)
	Core A	Intro to the World: Cultures	5, 6, 7	Explore Geography and Cultures around the world and across time from creation through modern times.		Student: 1.5-2 hrs. Parent: 1-1.5 hrs.
1st Sweep through History	Core B	Intro to World History, Year 1 of 2	6, 7, 8	World history from early civilizations through the fall of Rome.	Learning to love Scripture. Discovering God's heart for the nations. Exploring how to pray for and serve others.	Student: 2-3 hrs. Parent: 1.5-2 hrs.
	Core B+C	Intro to World History, One Year Condensed	7, 8, 9	Cores B and C combined into one year. World history from early civilizations through the late 1900s.		Student: 2-3 hrs. Parent: 1.5-2 hrs.
	Core C	Intro to World History, Year 2 of 2	7, 8, 9	World history from the fall of Rome through the late 1900s.		Student: 2-3 hrs. Parent: 1.5-2 hrs.
	Core D	Intro to American History, Year 1 of 2	8, 9, 10, 11	American history from early Native Americans through the 1850s.		Student: 3.5-4.5 hrs. Parent: 2-3 hrs.
	Core D+E	Intro to American History, One Year Condensed	9, 10, 11, 12	Cores D and E combined into one year. U.S. history from the early Native Americans through the late 1900s.		Student: 3.5-5 hrs. Parent: 2-3 hrs.
Transition year: learning to research	Core E	Intro to American History, Year 2 of 2	9, 10, 11, 12	American history from the Civil War (1860s) through the late 1900s.		Student: 3.5-5 hrs. Parent: 2-3 hrs.
	Core F	Eastern Hemisphere	10, 11, 12, 13	A fascinating cultural study of the Eastern Hemisphere, including Asia, Oceania, the Middle East and Africa.		Student: 4-6 hrs. Parent: 2-3.5 hrs.
2nd Sweep through History	Core G	World History, Year 1 of 2	11, 12, 13, 14	In-depth World History from ancient Egypt through the Reformation.	Overview of each book in the Bible. Discovering God's heart for the nations.	Student: 4-6 hrs. Parent: 2-3.5 hrs.
	Core H	World History, Year 2 of 2	12, 13, 14	In-depth World history from the Reformation through the late 1900s.	Learning different methods of studying the Bible in-depth.	Student: 4-6 hrs. Parent: 2-3.5 hrs.
	Core W	One Year World History	12, 13	A one year alternative to Cores G and H. World history from ancient Egypt through the late 1900s.		Student: 4-6 hrs. Parent: 2-3.5 hrs.
3rd Sweep through History	History 100	American History	12, 13, 14, 15, 16	In-depth study of U.S. history from pre-Columbian America through the present.	Practical and challenging application of Scripture. Serious study of apologetics.	Student: 5-7 hrs. Parent: 2-3.5 hrs.
	History 200	History of the Christian Church	14, 15, 16, 17, 18	In-depth study of the spread of the Gospel and the growth of the Church worldwide from the time of Christ to the present.		Student: 5-7 hrs. Parent: 1-2.5 hrs.
	History 300	20th Century World History	15, 16, 17, 18	Modern world history.		Student: 6-8 hrs. Parent: 1-2.5 hrs.
	Government 400	American Government	16, 17, 18	U.S. government, with emphasis on the Constitution and its historical interpretation, plus a close look at the three branches of government.		Student: 6-8 hrs. Parent: 1.5-2 hrs.
		Economics	16, 17, 18	Modern economics, from basic theory to politics and trade.		Student: 6-8 hrs. Parent: 1-2 hrs.
History 520	World History and Worldview Studies	17, 18	Ancient history through early 20th century history.	Serious study and Christian assessment of worldviews.	Student: 2-4 hrs. Parent: 1-2 hrs.	

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A full Language Arts program is included in every Core.

Program	Coordinates with:	Focus	Subjects Covered
Language Arts P4/5	Core P4/5	A gentle introduction to the alphabet, rhymes and the “first thousand words.”	Phonics and vocabulary.
<i>Cores A-C, you get the Language Arts program that matches the Readers Package you select.</i>			
Language Arts K	Grade K Readers	Learn alphabet and letter sounds. Begin creative writing with a parent as scribe.	Phonics, spelling, vocabulary, creative expression, copywork and writing mechanics.
Language Arts 1	Grade 1 Readers	Read more advanced short words. Write short stories with a parent as scribe.	Phonics, spelling, vocabulary, copywork, creative expression and writing mechanics.
Language Arts 2	Grade 2 Readers	Learn to construct basic sentences and simple paragraphs.	Spelling, writing mechanics, copywork and creative expression.
Language Arts 3	Grade 3 Readers	Learn to write winning paragraphs step-by-step.	Spelling, writing mechanics, paragraph construction, copywork and creative expression.
Language Arts 4-5	Grade 4-5 Readers	Write sentences and short paragraphs relatively independently.	Spelling, writing mechanics, copywork, paragraph construction and creative expression.
Language Arts D	Core D	Explore various writing styles; learn about similes, metaphors and more.	Spelling, vocabulary, dictation, writing mechanics and creative expression.
Language Arts D+E	Core D+E	Explore various writing styles; practice advanced writing mechanics.	Spelling, grammar, dictation, vocabulary, writing mechanics and creative expression.
Language Arts E	Core E	Explore various writing styles; practice advanced writing mechanics.	Spelling, grammar, dictation, writing mechanics, research writing and creative expression.
Language Arts F	Core F	Take on more challenging writing assignments and explore writing styles.	Spelling, grammar, dictation, vocabulary, writing mechanics, research writing, creative expression and literary analysis.
Language Arts G	Core G	Advanced writing assignments and basic literary analysis.	Spelling, vocabulary, dictation, advanced writing mechanics, creative expression, literary analysis and editing.
Language Arts H	Core H	Increase writing skills; fully integrated with History & Literature.	Creative writing, essay composition, research and literary analysis.
Language Arts W	Core W	Advanced writing assignments and basic literary analysis. (Same basic material as Language Arts G.)	Spelling, vocabulary, advanced writing mechanics, creative expression, literary analysis and editing.
Language Arts 140	Literature 130 See p.76	Increase writing skills; fully integrated with History & Literature.	Critical thinking, essay composition, literary analysis and creative writing.
Language Arts 240	Literature 230 See p.80	Increase writing skills; fully integrated with History & Literature.	Essay composition, literary analysis, research papers and creative writing.
Language Arts 340	Literature 330 See p.84	Increase writing skills; fully integrated with History & Literature.	Creative writing, literary analysis, research writing and essay composition.
Language Arts 440	Literature 430 See p.88	Prepare for college-level writing; fully integrated with History & Literature.	Creative writing, literary analysis, essay composition and research papers.
Language Arts 540	Literature 530 See p.90	Tackle college-level assignments; fully integrated with Literature.	Creative writing, literary analysis and vocabulary with Latin and Greek roots.
British Literature 530	Language Arts 540	Prepare for the AP* English Literature exam with a yearlong survey of British Literature.	Key works of British Literature.

Sonlight Science

Choose a Science program that fits with your children’s age ranges and interests.

Science	Age Range	Focus
Science A Biology, Botany, and Physics	5, 6, 7	Animals, plants and the way things move. Experiments and hands-on activities.
Science B Animals, Astronomy, and Physics	5, 6, 7, 8	Animals, outer space and the way things move. Experiments and hands-on activities.
Science C Geology, Meteorology, and Mechanical Technology	6, 7, 8, 9	Weather, geology and basic machines. Experiments and hands-on activities.
Science D Biology, Taxonomy, and Human Anatomy	7, 8, 9, 10	The human body, categorizing plants and animals. Experiments and hands-on activities.
Science E Electricity, Magnetism, and Astronomy	8, 9, 10, 11	Electricity, magnetism and outer space. Experiments and hands-on activities.
Science F Health, Medicine, and Human Anatomy	9, 10, 11, 12	The human body: anatomy, health and medicine. Experiments and hands-on activities.
Science G Geology, Physics, and Origins	10, 11, 12, 13	Earth science: geology, physics and the science of origins. Experiments and hands-on activities.
Science H General Science	11, 12, 13	A course from Apologia Educational Ministries: learn to think scientifically. Includes experiments and a unique Sonlight schedule.
Science 150 Physical Science	12, 13, 14	A course from Apologia Educational Ministries: earth science and basic physics. Includes experiments and a unique Sonlight schedule.
Science 250 Biology	14, 15, 16, 17, 18	A high-school level lab science course from Apologia Educational Ministries. Includes experiments and a unique Sonlight schedule.
Science 350 Chemistry	15, 16, 17, 18	A high-school level lab science course from Apologia Educational Ministries. Includes experiments and a unique Sonlight schedule.
Science 450 Physics	16, 17, 18	A high-school level course from Apologia Educational Ministries. Includes experiments and a unique Sonlight schedule.
Science 550 Advanced Science (Biology, Chemistry or Physics)	17, 18	Choose from three advanced lab courses from Apologia Educational Ministries preparing students for the AP* Biology, Chemistry or Physics test. Each course includes experiments and a unique Sonlight schedule.

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What Makes Sonlight Programs Remarkable?

How do we choose books for each Sonlight Core? Is a Core more than just books? Well, here's the inside scoop of how we pick books and turn them into robust curricula. Head to sonlight.com/sarita-letter for more details (and the story of my \$1,000 rookie homeschooling mistake), and please enjoy the rest of the story ...

-Sarita Holzmann, President

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MONEY-BACK
LOVE TO LEARN, LOVE TO TEACH
GUARANTEE

For each Core, we ...

1 Start with a strategic topic

The curriculum development team and I have outlined what children should learn from preschool through high school. Each Core has a unique place in that plan (see p. 154 for the full outline). Armed with a strategic topic, the creation process begins ...

3 Pick the very cream of the crop.

Of every hundred books I read, I find only two or three that merit consideration for a Core Program. From that small pile I, with help from the curriculum development team, strategically choose the History books, Readers and Read-Alouds.

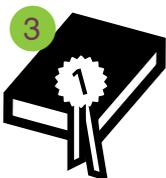
4 Create a schedule to weave those books together.

My team and I look at the span of each Core (e.g., World History from the fall of Rome through the present) and create a schedule that logically moves through the material in an intellectually and emotionally satisfying manner. We make sure to cover what is most important: from events and ideas to key people and places.

5 Turn that schedule into a full Instructor's Guide with assignments, extensive notes, maps, teaching helps and more.

In this stage, we transform a pile of books into a cohesive learning package. We develop academic exercises, dictation assignments, discussion questions and writing assignments to accompany the books. We provide relevant maps and cultural literacy notes. If passages in a book are unclear or biased, we do the research and give explanations, commentary or counterbalancing arguments. We craft teaching pointers to help you discuss important but tricky subjects (such as slavery in the US before the Civil War) with your kids.

Know that each Guide is the result of hundreds – probably thousands – of hours of work by Sonlight's curriculum developers. We do the work so you don't have to!



2 Read stacks of books

I constantly review new books (on average, over 50 every week). I read – I mean really *evaluate*, in-depth – nearly a dozen books a week. So in 20 years, I've read at *least* 10,000 books. Being able to compare and contrast so many books helps me evaluate any new ones I read. And it helps me find the true all-stars, which are the only books that make it into a Sonlight Core.

What it takes for a book to become a

Sonlight
ALL STAR

Except in rare circumstances, every book in a Sonlight Core must pass my **7-point test**:

1. **Real/realistic characters.** Heroes should not be flawless. Anti-heroes ought not to be thoroughly detestable. They need to be nuanced and complex – the way real people really are.
2. **Solid character development.** The protagonist must change (for the better) over the course of the book.
3. **Content that adds to the reader's cultural literacy.** The book's plot, setting, characters, or vocabulary – something – must contribute to a reader's knowledge about world events and cultures, or their understanding of "the way things work" in human relations ... in life.
4. **Intriguing, multidimensional plot.**
5. **Emotionally compelling.** The story has to move me.
6. **Verbally beautiful.** The writing must be superb and allow for fluent reading – silently or out loud.
7. **Re-readable.** You have to want to read it over and over again.

6 Add hands-on activities (for P3/4 through Core F, ages 3 through 13).

From the built-in activities in P3/4 and P4/5, to the "Core Tips" CD-ROMs that accompany Cores A-E, to the engaging activities in the Core F Instructor's Guide, we give you ideas for relevant, simple, hands-on activities and enriching extras whenever you want them.

And don't forget, you also get ...

- Your materials shipped to your doorstep
- A one-year money-back guarantee (p. 24) 
- Non-stop support if you ever have questions about orders or using your materials (sonlight.com/contact).
- The benefit of our constant work to research, update and improve our Core, Language Arts and Science Programs. This means you enjoy an up-to-date, truly remarkable homeschool experience with your children.

2014 Sonlight Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to our 2014 Sonlight scholarship winners! Like so many Sonlight students, they have a heart for learning, exhibit exceptional character, are active in their communities, demonstrate leadership skills, are creative, cultivate spiritual depth and are well-prepared for the academic rigors of college.

What part does a Sonlight homeschool education play in the past successes and future goals of these students? All have completed at least five Sonlight Core programs (including high school-level Cores). Their exceptional talent, along with an eagerness to follow God's leading, make it a joy for Sonlight to invest in their continuing education.

Sonlight has awarded \$1,056,500 since we began the scholarship program, including \$88,000 over the next four years to these 12 winners. We look forward to seeing all God does in and through them as they take what they've learned – through Sonlight and their homeschool experience – into college and the world beyond.

\$20,000 Scholarship Winner

(\$5,000 each year)



Top Sonlight scholar **Kelly McGee** of **Colorado Springs, CO**, envisions a career in bioengineering that provides medical technology to developing nations. He earned an SAT score of 2350, is an Eagle Scout, Lead Shepherd in a local children's ministry, college math tutor and contributing author of a manuscript on improving crystallographic structures of proteins, submitted to the *Journal of Molecular Modeling*.

Kelly's academic strength is complemented by an obvious zest for life. Living in Southeast Asia for a time, he writes, "I explored jungles, caught exotic fish and ate unforgettably delicious meals!" The experience he calls "life-changing" paved the way for a multitude of service opportunities there (e.g., working with children at a community center in an impoverished neighborhood) and ignited an interest in cross-cultural relations.

His subsequent research on the effects of globalization is an extension of his desire to impact the world. "I have learned to look beyond differences, and to live and work with those of different cultures and backgrounds. I intend to use the blessings God has given me to bless others."

Kelly was recently selected to participate in a hospital-sponsored program for students interested in medicine and health-related professions.

\$10,000 Scholarship Winners

(\$2,500 per year)



Growing up as a missionary kid in Belgium, **Evangeline Bonin** of **Baton Rouge, LA**, never imagined she would one day dance for Jesus, though her parents observed her creativity at an early age. Hers was the room splashed with color, embellished with artwork, and the origin of ideas for family skits.

Fast forward to her discovery of classical dance, which now propels her dreams. Through what she describes as God's providence, she joined the Salt & Light Christian dance troupe, performing in churches and public festivals in Belgium's major cities. Also a student of music theory and piano, Evangeline is now inspired to communicate Christ's message by way of ballet. "As I dance for His glory," she says, "I feel freedom, joy and a desire to be used by God. I sense in my spirit, God saying, 'Yes! Yes!'"

She is currently auditioning for college dance programs, with plans to one day join a Christian ballet company and spread the joy of dance by teaching.



A Sonlight student since kindergarten, **Hannah Carroll** of **Uganda** recalls she understood from an early age that, "My life isn't really mine – I belong to Jesus. It's not my story, but His." From outreach to orphaned children and the disabled in Uganda where she grew up as a missionary kid, to sharing her faith with recovering addicts at Teen Challenge, she knows what it means to be the hands and feet of God.

The National Merit Finalist also loves to create, and has been writing for as long as she can remember. A blogger, artist, photographer and published poet, she collaborated on and edited her father's recently published book. She also enjoys teaching her younger siblings and created a Sonlight-style *World History of Architecture* course for her brother.

Hannah plans to major in Intercultural Studies at Columbia International University. "I can imagine translating the Bible for isolated tribal people ... working with students in a closed country ... training women in persecuted places ... I can't wait to see what He will do in and through me as He brings the nations to know Him," she says.



"God's itinerary, my adventure" is the perspective with which **Jenna Khazoyan** of **Highlands Ranch, CO**, views her life. As she looks to her future, she wants to find that place where, in the words of

writer-theologian Frederick Buechner, "my deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

Described as passionate and purposeful, Jenna loves languages and has studied Mandarin, French and Farsi. An accomplished musician and budding entrepreneur, she established her own studio, *Dolce Danza* ("sweet dance"), where she teaches piano to children. A longtime student of speech and debate, she has competed at three national tournaments, and continues to use her voice to inform and advocate, particularly on issues that affect "the least of these" (e.g., the poor and victims of human trafficking).

A love of science, an SAT score of 2310, and a desire to emulate Jesus' compassion and healing point to a vocation in nursing, which will serve well alongside her commitment to overseas missions.

Says Jenna, "I know that God is coordinating a meaningful plan. It's going to be quite an adventure!"



Owoioise "Oise" Omojuanfo of **Shaker Heights, OH**, knows firsthand that addressing a hurting person's physical needs often profoundly impacts his or her spiritual healing. His vision is to change West African health-care with a marriage of medicine and technology.

The eldest child of missionary parents, Oise has lived in remote geographic locations where pain is prevalent and resources nonexistent. Working alongside his dad, whether to start a chicken farm, dig a well, build a bridge or transform a bus into a mobile medical clinic, the character traits of compassion, persistence and innovation emerged to confirm his destiny.

"I believe becoming a doctor is the best way for me to serve and bring Jesus to the lost. I can use engineering and medicine to transform lives," says Oise.

Toward that goal, he was chosen from 1,000 applicants (the only homeschooled student selected – he's been a Sonlighter since second grade) to intern at The Cleveland (Ohio) Clinic, where he worked with an international team to research ex-vivo normothermic liver perfusion.

Oise plans to first pursue an engineering degree at Case Western Reserve University or Vanderbilt.

\$4,000 Scholarship Winners

Sonlight will additionally award these seven outstanding students a \$1,000 scholarship for each year of college, up to four years:

Mary Kate Gaines (Coldwater, MS); **Grace Gilman** (Moreno Valley, CA); **Andrew Heldenbrand** (Spain); **Spencer Kolssak** (Winnetka, IL); **Eleanor Raquet** (Beavercreek, OH); **E. Claire Simpson** (Russellville, AL); **Connor Tibbetts** (Centennial, CO).

Your student could be a winner!

Families who have purchased and used at least five Core programs since 2000 are eligible. Visit sonlight.com/scholarships for details.

What's New at Sonlight

When you “sign on” with Sonlight, we make the commitment to accompany your family every step of your homeschool journey. For this reason, we’re always looking for ways to improve the products we offer you. Each new school year, I ask God to give us wisdom and direction, knowing that the decisions we make will impact how effectively your children learn, the ease with which you teach, and your family’s overall enjoyment of learning together.

This year on the curriculum-improvement front, we’ve introduced some enhancements you may want to explore as you make decisions about your children’s education.

Multi-Subject Packages are now Full-Grade Packages

If you’ve previously used a Multi-Subject Package, you know how convenient it is to get everything you need in one easy-to-order package. We recently changed the product name to *Full-Grade* to better reflect what you get (i.e., all your child needs for a full year of learning; packages for preschool – 5th grade). When you order a Full-Grade Package, you’ll receive the same great product as before – all subjects: History, Geography, Bible, Readers and Read-Alouds, Language Arts, Handwriting, Math and Science – still at the best available discount.

Landmark History, Volume 2, comes to Core E

Let me tell you a little bit about the completely revised *Landmark History of the American People*. This two-volume gem is a fabulous read! By way of background, last year we introduced Volume 1 to Core D, and Volumes 1 and 2 to Core D+E. This year we complete the transition for families who previously studied Core D, *Introduction to American History, Year 1*, and now wish to continue the second year of that study with Core E.

Landmark History focuses on the social history of America and covers key events that offer your children a fresh view of the U.S. Specifically, Volume 2 provides a fascinating introduction to and look at American culture as it has shaped and been shaped by events from the Civil War to the late 20th century.

My husband and Sonlight co-founder, John, worked with the family of former Librarian of Congress and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Daniel Boorstin to bring you this engaging teaching tool. I believe that you and your students will be drawn in by *Landmark History* – now more readable than ever – with helpful timelines and maps, an enticing new full-color presentation and more than twice the previous illustrations.

World History and Worldview Studies course for high schoolers

One of our goals at Sonlight is to help you raise up children who are able to think deeply about im-

portant matters, such as issues of personal, social and ethical significance. To develop that skill, I believe your students, under your watchful care, will benefit from exposure to a variety of philosophies and worldviews. In so doing, I trust that they will be prepared to meet people from many different backgrounds, engage in meaningful conversation and impact the world for good.

To that end, you may have heard that we were working on a new high school program, Core 500. I am thrilled to announce that the History and Bible component of that Core is now available. I’m calling this intriguing new offering *World History and Worldview Studies*.

The course covers ancient history to the present. In it, your students will examine influential ideologies that have arisen over time and the resulting impact – how people see and make sense of reality, and how they come to think about truth, faith, science and more as a consequence of these foundations of thought.

Two key books, *Streams of Civilization, Volumes 1 and 2*, comprise the springboard for the history portion of this course. Written by Christian authors, this duo provides a full-spectrum overview of history. I particularly like them because the authors offer unique insights and analysis about science, music, art, architecture, popular culture and other topics.

Four equally engaging books – *The Universe Next Door*, *Good Ideas from Questionable Christians and Outright Pagans*, *Total Truth*, and *Philosophy Made Slightly Less Difficult* – support the Bible portion of the worldview course.

My prayer is that your children will develop a sound, discerning approach to historical and biblical worldviews, even as they continue to develop their own set of beliefs. I trust that you and your high school students will find *World History and Worldview Studies* interesting, thought-provoking and empowering.

In addition to the above improvements, please take some time to look through this catalog (or visit our online catalog, sonlight.com/online-catalog) and see the many curriculum and enrichment options available to your family.

May the upcoming homeschool year bring you and your children much growth and joy, as you live, love and learn together.



Blessings to you and yours,

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... your children expect you to complete an 80-page Read-Aloud in one session ... and you comply.



“Sonlight motivated my family to step outside the box and experience learning naturally, as it occurs,” writes Allison M of Loganville, GA. “For example, after reading *How Flowers Grow* in Core A, we have since enjoyed taking numerous nature walks. Recently, our three little people wanted to research the life cycle of rabbits. When they’re grown, they may or may not remember how to calculate the circumference of a circle, but they will remember exploring nature, raising rabbits, nursing chicks and collecting eggs together.” Sara Grace (7), Joseph (6) and Benjamin (5) are exploring Core B together in their second Sonlight year.



“My daughters are adopted. Reading our Sonlight books has created not only opportunities to learn about different cultures and people, but also a special time of bonding,” writes Heather F of Miama Shores, FL. “I’ve always heard Sonlight has great literature. Now we’re enjoying many different adventures – from missionary stories, to stories about dogs and dolphins, with interesting characters who captivate the minds of my children. These make a lasting impression and we continue to talk about them, even when the books are finished. With all the different ways we learn, it makes for a deeper level of understanding, as all senses are involved in the process.” Bookworms Tiffany (7) and Abigail (6) are reading their way through Core A.

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