EASY PEASY HOMESCHOOL

Year 2

Bible: Mark and NT Acts to Jude
History: Early American History
Science: Zoology
Art/Music: Follows along with History
Bible—New Testament

**Course Description:** Students will be reading through the book of Mark and the New Testament books from Acts to Jude. Students will learn and apply scriptures as well as explore the geography of the New Testament.

History—Early American History

**Course Description:** Students will study early American history from the early explorers through the Civil War. Students will engage with readings and videos as they learn about the events and leaders of the time period. Students will demonstrate their knowledge in a variety of ways including lapbooks, journal writing, and worksheets, as well as by writing newspaper articles on events and people in history. Topics include: explorers, Iroquois, Jamestown, Mayflower, early settlers, forts, Daniel Boone, French and Indian War, American Revolution, Constitution, American government, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Plains Indians, Lewis and Clark, War of 1812, Harriet Tubman, slavery, Abraham Lincoln, the Civil War, and more. Students will also read current event news throughout the year. ( Older students also study the Salem Witch Trials.)

**Reading List:** (Students also have many choices for optional readings.)

L: *The True Story of Christopher Columbus*, Brooks; *Pilgrim Stories*, Pumphrey; *The Bird-Woman of the Lewis and Clark Expedition*, Chandler; *Uncle Tom’s Cabin Young Folk’s Edition*, Stowe

M: *Discoverers and Explorers*, Shaw; *Letters of a Woman Homesteader*, Stewart; *This Country of ours*, Marshall (selection); *Uncle Tom’s Cabin Juvenile Edition*, Stowe, Crowe
Science—Zoology

**Course Description:** Students will study zoology through readings, videos and a variety of online activities. Students will study the main branches of the animal kingdom including mammals, reptiles, amphibians, birds, insects, and fish as well as others. They will study animal habitats, behaviors, diets, and adaptations. Special studies on endangered species, classification, mimicry and camouflage as well as ecosystems and food webs will be conducted. Students will complete projects and lapbooks and will have many opportunities to present what they have learned before an audience.

**Reading List:**

- *First Book of Bees* (selections), Tibbets
- *Handbook of Nature Study* (selections), Comstock; *The Life of a Spider* (selections), Fabre; *What Really Happened to the Dinosaurs*, Ham

Music—Early American History

**Course Description:** Students will experience a variety of music this year listening to both popular folk music of various historic periods to classic music of many great composers during this time period including: Beethoven, Bach, Handle, Mozart, Vivaldi and more. Special music includes music of Native Americans and Negro spirituals. Also this year students will be studying music theory. Topics will include: staff, clef, note identification, note and rest duration, and scales. Students will review what they have learned about the string, percussion and woodwind families and this year will learn about the brass family of instruments.

Art—Early American History

**Course Description:** Students will study the elements of art. They will complete their own projects using all of the elements as well as find them in artwork that is representative of the time periods they are studying. Special topics include: complementary colors, positive and negative space, geometric and organic shape, and Native American art.
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