

Connecting with History Volume Two Reading List

Resource Lists

The Connecting With History, Volume Two program includes seven thematic units. How much time each family spends per unit is up to you, the parent/teacher, considering the amount of material you want to present and the interest level of your students. We have designed this program to be flexible in order to fit your family's schedule and needs.

Each of the units contains an outline for a six-step method of study which prepares the teacher and student for each unit, including teacher's notes and discussion ideas, an overview so students know where they are headed, instructions for using the notebook method along with specific notebooks suggestions for each unit, planning charts, writing ideas, hands-on activity ideas, and reading assignments for each unit with page assignments based on how much the "average child" could cover in a day. Also included is memory work including poetry and scripture passages and research charts to help students focus in on the people and civilizations covered in the unit. If you choose to use the guide for an entire school year we suggest spending an average of three weeks per unit.

Because the program was designed with multi-age teaching in mind we have arranged the units into developmental levels rather than grades. All of the units and materials used are split into four main age categories: Beginner's Level for grades K-2, Grammar Level for grades 3-6, Logic Level for grades 7-9, and Rhetoric Level for grades 10-12. With this system you will be able to combine the studies of children within the same age categories as well as have all the children in your family studying the same general theme at the same time, but at their own level of ability and understanding.

The resource lists included here are arranged in a hierarchy of necessity to the program:

Core books and materials are those base texts and resources on which the program is founded – these are necessary to using the program. These could also be used as the only resources for the program if you wish to just do an overview of the Old Testament over the course of a semester or a school year.

Basic books are those needed to complete the basic assignments for each unit. These books are broken down by daily/weekly reading assignments for each age level and are coordinated with the **Core** or base texts. Most of the Basic books are non-fiction books on cultures or historical periods covered in the program.

Additional literature assignments are also included. These books are not absolutely necessary to completing the program, but are historical fiction and literature titles that add life to the study of history. At least one Additional Literature title in each unit for the lower grade levels is designated as a recommended family read-aloud book.

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Resource Planning Tips

Decide which age levels in which to place each of your students. Combining ages and materials as much as possible will simplify your school year and lessen the number of resources you will need. We have built in some overlap into the program levels so that if, for instance, you have a 3rd grade and a 5th grader you may choose to either place one in the Beginner's level and the other in the Grammar level, or place them both in the Grammar level. Ultimately it is your decision as to which level you decide to choose for your students; many parent-teachers pick and choose books from among the recommended levels to personalize the program for their unique family interests.

Review the resource lists and make three lists:

- a. Books you already own;
- b. Books readily available in your local library;
- c. Resources you will need to purchase.

Order the books you need as early as possible. Most of the resources in this program are available from www.rchistory.com. From time to time books go out of print without warning – often they are reprinted within several months, but some remain out of print. If a book recommended in our program goes out of print permanently we do our best to find a comparable substitute. Our website is always the most up-to-date reference to what resources are currently available for the program.

Some books are appropriate for us in more than one level of the program. On the **Explore** assignment charts we have listed main reading recommendations for each level in regular type and if the same assignment is applicable for a different age level it is printed in *italic* under the alternate level.

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TEACHING RESOURCES

**If you do not already own Volume One, you will need the
Connecting with History Teacher's Guide**

The planning guide is the introductory section included in Volume One which explains the philosophy and format of the CWH program, how to implement the program and Teacher Planning Forms and Charts. If you do not already own CWH Volume One you will need this guide in order to use Volume Two.

\$8.00 paper copy

or

download for only \$5.00

These resources are highly recommended for teacher preparation for CWH Volume Two.

2000 Years of Christian History

by Gloria Thomas and Warren Carroll

\$34.95

Beginning with the life of Jesus Christ, Catholic artist Gloria Thomas provides a century-by-century tour of the 2000 years of Christian history. The 21 beautiful 9"x18" paintings fold out to provide an overview of each century of the two millennia of history. Accompanying the individual art prints are historical articles summarizing the highlights of the century, written by Catholic historian, Dr. Warren Carroll. These articles are excellent overviews of each century of history from the first through the 20th, emphasizing the dominant saints of the period. We have incorporated this book into the Overview Step of the Volume Two units. We highly recommend using it with the program, in fact, we've discounted to the price to encourage you to make use of this beautiful resource! "My goal is to present an epic of the Church from its origin until the present day in images, each of which is immediately comprehensible." - Gloria Thomas

Catechism of Church History

by Fr. Robert Fox

\$9.95

A great reference for learning Church history yourself, as parent/teacher! Not necessary for using Connecting with History, but highly recommended if you would like to increase your own knowledge.

[From the back cover] By the grace of God I found my way out of much anti-Catholic misunderstanding and discovered for myself...the historical development of doctrine—the fullness of true faith in Catholicism that is loyal to Peter and his successors. I've come to a new appreciation of the importance to know Church history. This book, A Catechism of Church History, takes us in an easy way from the beginnings of Christianity to the reign of Pope John Paul II..

I would like to see this book in every Catholic home, in the hands of teenagers, young adults and parents. You will discover in an easy way 2000 years of Church history, as presented in the context, not simply of historical facts, but from a spirit of faith and love for Jesus Christ and His Church.

Catholics of all ages—and in every age—need to know their ROOTS. You will find those roots in this volume. – Dr. Scott Hahn

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Knowledge Quest's

Blackline Maps of World History on CD-ROM

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Four complete sets of historical blackline maps and mapping activities on one CD-ROM!

Over 200 printable maps!

The Ancients: 5000BC - 500AD

48 maps with activity plans for each map

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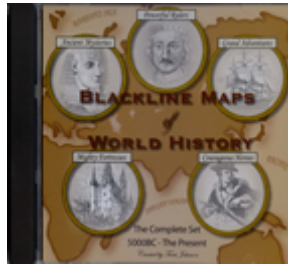
50 historical maps with activity plans for each map

The Dawning of a New World: 1600 - 1850AD

52 maps with activity plans for each map

The Modern World: 1850 - The Present

54 maps with activity plans for each map



Files are in PDF format. Mac and Windows compatible.

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We have incorporated these maps into your Connecting with History lesson plans!

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CORE TEXTS

The following resources are the necessary core texts for use with the Connecting with History program:
*RA = Read Aloud

	Beginner Level Reading List Grades K-3	Grammar Level Reading List Grades 3-6	Logic Level Reading List Grades 6-8	Rhetoric Level Reading List Grades 9-12
Books Continued from Volume One	New Catholic Picture Bible by Fr. Lovasik	Bible for Young Catholics (<i>Pauline Books</i>)	Bible History by Johnson, Hannan and Dominica Bible History Workbook	Holy Bible use Catholic version of your choice
		Ancient World Usborne Internetlinked series By Fiona Chandler (<i>Usborne World History</i>)	Famous Men of Rome <i>Memoria Press edition Student Study Guide and Teacher's manual also available</i> **MU	You Can Understand the Bible by Peter Kreeft
				Roman Lives by Plutarch
Volume Two Only <i>These books are used only in volume two of CWH</i>	Life of Our Lord for Children** by Marigold Hunt RA	Life of Our Lord for Children*** by Marigold Hunt	A Graphic Life of Jesus*** by Fr. Albert Shamon	A Graphic Life of Jesus*** by Fr. Albert Shamon
	The First Christians: Acts of Apostles for Children** by Marigold Hunt RA	The First Christians: Acts of Apostles for Children*** by Marigold Hunt	Facts on Acts of Apostles*** by Fr. Albert Shamon	Facts on Acts of Apostles*** by Fr. Albert Shamon
Volumes Two Core Texts: Overviews of History <i>These books are used in volume two of CWH and will continue into volume three</i>	<i>Optional Text:</i> Founders of Freedom* <i>Neumann Press</i>	The Old World's Gifts to the New*** by Sister Mary Celeste <i>Neumann Press</i>	The Old World and America*** by Fr. Philip Furlong <i>Tan Book Publishers</i>	The Catholic Church, First 2000 Years*** A Popular Survey and Study Guide to Church History by Martha Rasmussen <i>Ignatius Press</i>
Live of Saints	Once Upon a Time Saints and More Once Upon a Time Saints** by Ethel Pochoki	Heroes of God's Church** by Fr. P. Henry Matimore <i>Neumann Press</i>	57 Stories of Saints** By Anne Eileen Heffernan, FSP <i>Daughters of St. Paul</i>	One Hundred Saints:** <i>Their Lives and Likenesses Drawn from Butler's Lives of the Saints and Great Works of Western Art</i>

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BASIC AND LITERATURE READING LISTS

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	Beginners Level Reading List Grades K-3	Grammar Level Reading List Grades 3-6	Logic Level Reading List Grades 6-8	Rhetoric Level Reading List Grades 8-12
Unit 1, Part 1	Spend the Day in Ancient Rome: Projects and Activities That Bring the Past to Life** by Linda Honan	Augustus Caesar's World** By Genevieve Foster	Lives of Famous Romans** By Olivia Coolidge	Lives of the Caesars ** by Suetonius
	Modern Rhymes About Ancient Times: Rome* by Susan Altman	Cleopatra** by Diane Stanley <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>		Antony and Cleopatra** by Shakespeare <i>[Folger Edition]</i>
	How to be a Roman Soldier * by Fiona MacDonald	City * by David Macaulay		
Unit 1, Part 2 and Unit 2	Mary, Mother of Jesus** by Tomie dePaola <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	People of the Bible, Life and Customs** by Silvia Gastaldi and Claire Musatti	Daily Life at the Time of Jesus** by Miriam Feinberg Vamosh	The Holy Land** by Peter Connolly
	Story of Our Lady Coloring Book*	Mary My Mother* by Fr. Lawrence Lovasik		Mary Mother of God, Her Life in Icons and Scripture** edited by Giovanna Parravicini
	How Jesus Lived Coloring Book *	Good St. Joseph* by Fr. Lawrence Lovasik		

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Unit 2	Ben Hur ** CCC video	Ben Hur ** Dramatization on CD	The Bronze Bow** by Elizabeth Speare <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	Ben Hur ** by Lew Wallace
	The Miracles of Jesus ** and The Parables of Jesus** by Tomie DePaola			The Spear* by Louis DeWohl
	Jesus** by Brian Wildsmith <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included in download</i>			History of the Church: From Christ to Constantine ** by Eusebius
	Jesus is With Us: The Gift of the Eucharist * by Anthony Tarzia			
Unit 3	St. Peter the Apostle ** by Fr. Lawrence Lovasik	Adventures of Saint Paul** by Oldrich Selucky	Our Young Folks Josephus** by William Shepard	Paul, Least of the Apostles ** by Alain Decaux
	Pompeii - Buried Alive! * [A Step into Reading Book] by Edith Kunhardt	City of the Golden House** by Madeleine Polland <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	For the Temple * by G.A. Henty	Quo Vadis ** by Henrik Sienkiewicz
	St. Paul Coloring Book *		St. Paul the Apostle ** by Mary Fabyan Windeatt	The Twelve: Lives of the Apostles After Calvary ** by Bernard Ruffin
	The Apostles of Jesus** by Fr. Lawrence Lovasik	The Man Who Never Died** The Life and Adventures of Peter, the First Pope by Fr. Gerald T. Brennan	The Ides of April** by Mary Ray <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	Story of the Last Days of Jerusalem from Josephus** by Alfred Church

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Unit 4	St. Valentine ** by Robert Sabuda \$6.99 <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	Galen and the Gateway to Medicine** by Jeanne Bendick	The Roman Colosseum** by Elizabeth Mann	Fathers of the Church ** by Mike Aquilina
	Christopher the Holy Giant ** by Tomie DePaola	Gladiator* by Richard Watkins	Eagle of the Ninth** by Rosemary Sutcliff <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	Exiles of the Cebenna** by John Mason Neale
		St. Philomena Coloring Book* By Mary Fabyan Windeatt		
		St. Christopher Coloring Book* By Mary Fabyan Windeatt	The Silver Branch** by Rosemary Sutcliff	The Mass of the Early Christians ** by Mike Aquilina
		The White Isle** by Caroline Dale Snedeker <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>		The World's Great Catholic Literature ** By Fr. George Schuster
Unit 5	Saint Patrick** by Anne Tompert <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	I Believe, The Nicene Creed* by Pauline Baynes	Famous Men of the Middle Ages*** Memoria Press edition	The Restless Flame* by Louis de Wohl
	St. George and the Dragon** by Margaret Hodges	City of the Golden House** by Madeleine Polland <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	St. Athanasius ** by F.A. Forbes	10 Dates Every Catholic Should Know** by Diane Moczar
			St. Monica ** by F.A. Forbes	The Great Heresies ** by Hilaire Belloc
	St. Jerome and the Lion Coloring Book*		Beyond the Desert Gate* by Mary Ray	St. Anthony of the Desert** by St. Athanasius <i>selection Included in the unit</i>
			The Lantern Bearers * by Rosemary Sutcliff	

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Unit 5 continued			Word to Caesar** by Geoffrey Trease <i>Book includes Hillside Education Study Guide</i>	St. Anthony of the Desert** by St. Athanasius <i>selection Included in the unit</i>
			The White Stag** by Kate Seredy <i>Hillside Education Study Guide included</i>	

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Unit 6	The Holy Twins** by Kathleen Norris	Brendan the Navigator ** by Jean Fritz Hillside Education Study Guide included	St. Benedict, Hero of the Hills** by Mary Fabyan Windeatt <i>(Vision Book series)</i>	Citadel of God* by Louis De Wohl
	We're Riding on a Caravan: An Adventure on the Silk Route* By Laurie Krebs	St. Benedict** by Mary Fabyan Windeatt <i>TAN Books</i> Race for Heaven Study for St. Benedict	Augustine Came to Kent ** by Barbara Willard	King Arthur and His Knights of the Round Table** by Howard Pyle
	The Story of King Arthur** by Tom Crawford	The Silk Route: 7000 Miles of History ** by John S. Major	Fingal's Quest ** by Madeleine Polland Hillside Education Study Guide included	Beowulf: Illustrated Edition by Seamus Heaney
	King Arthur and His Knights * told by Jim Weiss	Find Out About the Celts** By Fiona Macdonald	The Shining Company* by Rosemary Sutcliff	
	The Sword in the Tree * by Clyde Robert Bulla	Color Your Own Book of Kells * <i>Dover Pub.</i>	King Arthur and His Knights of the Round Table** by Roger Lancelyn Green	
	St. Meinrad Coloring Book* by Mary Fabyan Windeatt	King Arthur: Tales from the Round Table** by Andrew Lang	Beowulf the Warrior by Ian Serrallier	
	Life in Celtic Times Coloring Book** <i>Dover Pub.</i>	Beowulf: A Hero's Tale Retold by James Rumford		

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Unit 7	Who Were the Vikings** by Jane Chisholm	D'Aulaire's Norse Gods and Giants** by Ingri and Edgar D'Aulaire	The Story of Rolf and the Viking Bow** by Allen French	Europe and the Faith** By Hilaire Belloc Chapter 5 What About Britain? included in the unit
	Vikings: Dress, Eat, Write and Play Like the Vikings* by Fiona MacDonald	Step into the Viking World** by Philip Steele	The Children of Odin** by Padraic Colum	William the Conqueror* by Hilaire Belloc
	Leif the Lucky** by Ingrid and Edgar D'Aulaire	Selected stories by James Baldwin Included in unit	The Dragon and the Raven * by G.A. Henty	The Age of Charlemagne** By David Nicolle
	Good King Wencelaus* by John Mason Neale	Son of Charlemagne** by Barbara Willard	Wulf the Saxon* by G.A. Henty	Hamlet ** by William Shakespeare
		Beorn the Proud* by Madeleine Pollard		The Battle of the White Horse** by G.K. Chesterton
				The Song of Roland* <i>Dover Publications</i>