

# K-8 SHOPPING CHECKLIST – Everything You Need to Homeschool with The Good and the Beautiful

## Family-Style Subjects

### Science/Health

Choose one or more of our science or health units to get started. Units go in any order you choose! The units are taught family style for K-6, with extensions for grades 7-8.

Two lessons a week will take you through 3-5 units per school year and all the units in 3-4 years.

### History

Start with our year 1 history course, which is taught family style for grades 1 through high school. If you have only first grade and younger children, wait to start history until the oldest is in second grade. If you do two lessons a week, you will complete one year of history per school year. Most families do 2-3 lessons a week.

## Subjects on Individual Levels

### Language Arts (Which Also Combines Geography and Art)

Simply have each child take our language arts assessment, then buy the course set for the level on which each child tests (we have levels pre-K through high school). Levels do not match public school grade levels. Our courses are advanced and thoroughly cover everything needed for geography, art history and appreciation, and language arts (including phonics, reading, literature, writing, spelling, vocabulary, grammar, usage, and punctuation).

### Handwriting

Check out our handwriting curriculum page to choose a handwriting book for each child. If you are unsure which level to choose after reading the descriptions, look at the examples to get an idea of where your child would fit best. When in doubt, start on a lower level.

### Reading Books from *The Good and The Beautiful Book List*

Have each child take the reading level assessment on the book list page (which is a different assessment than the language arts assessment) and keep your child supplied with worthy books on or around his or her level.

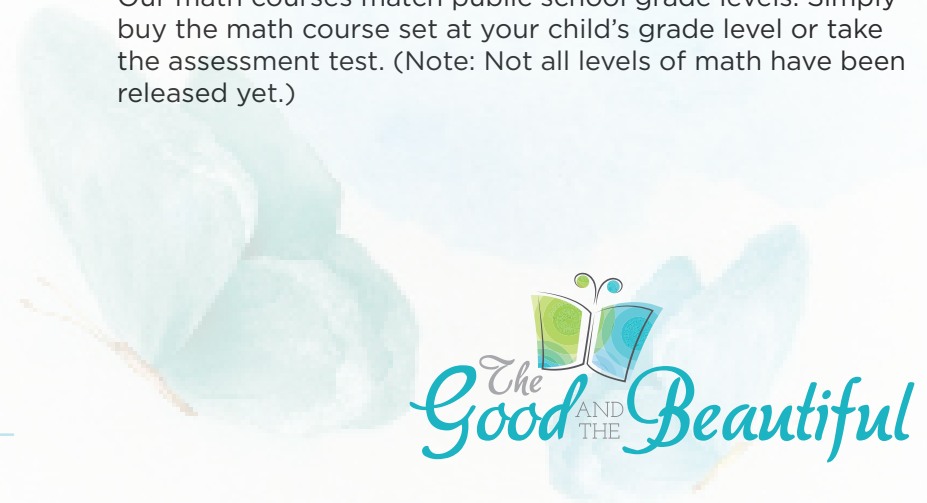
### Math

Our math courses match public school grade levels. Simply buy the math course set at your child's grade level or take the assessment test. (Note: Not all levels of math have been released yet.)

## Optional Subjects

The following products by The Good and the Beautiful are optional. Add them in when they work for your family!

- **Typing** (recommended to start in grades 2-4) • **Notebooks: Creative Writing** (grades 4-12), **Nature Notebook** (grades 1-7)
- **Creative Arts & Crafts Projects** • **Music Appreciation** (not available at this time) • **Foreign Language** (not available at this time)



# AGE/LEVEL GUIDE

## PRE-K (ages 3–5)

- **LANGUAGE ARTS:** Pre-K or Level K Primer
- **MATH:** A math course is not needed until your child is ready for Level K.
- **SCIENCE: Read-Aloud Books**  
Children in Pre-K do not need a science curriculum. We suggest reading them science picture books. However, if you are doing our science courses with older children, Pre-K children can participate and learn much by observing.
- **HISTORY:** Not needed at this level
- **TYPING:** Not needed at this level
- **HANDWRITING:** Doodles and Pre-writing for Littles. Handwriting is also taught within the Pre-K and Primer course books.
- **NOTEBOOKS:** No notebooks are suggested for this level, but you may choose to use the *Creative Arts & Crafts Projects* book for children who are interested in more hands-on activities.

**“What do I need to order for my child?”** This is one of the most common questions parents have when they first visit our website. The following chart will help you navigate what products are needed and what is typically used for each age group. We understand that not every child will use the suggested level for their age. **We advise parents to administer our Language Arts and Math assessments before purchasing items, as these tests will give you a more detailed look at your child’s needs.**

## KINDERGARTEN (ages 4–6)

- **LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level K Primer or Level K
- **MATH:** Math K
- **SCIENCE: Read-Aloud Books**  
Children in Level K do not need a science curriculum. We suggest reading them science picture books. However, if you are doing our science courses with older children, level K children can participate and learn much.
- **HISTORY: Read-Aloud Books**  
Children in kindergarten do not need a history curriculum. We suggest reading them history picture books. However, if you are doing our history courses with older children, Level K children can participate and learn much by observing.
- **TYPING:** Not needed at this level
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting K
- **NOTEBOOKS:** Creative Arts & Crafts

## GRADE 1 (ages 5–7)

- **GRADE 1 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level K or Level 1
- **MATH:** Math K or Math 1
- **SCIENCE:** We suggest doing 2–3 of the following science units for younger children: Safety, Meteorology, Space Science, Water and Our World, and Arthropods.
- **HISTORY:** Any year of our 4-year history course. If there are no older siblings using the history course, consider waiting until second grade.
- **TYPING:** Not needed at this level
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting 1
- **NOTEBOOKS:** Creative Arts & Crafts

## GRADE 2 (ages 6–8)

- **GRADE 2 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level 1 or Level 2
- **MATH:** Math 1 or Math 2; Musical Multiplication
- **SCIENCE:** Choose 3–5 science units.
- **HISTORY:** Any year of our 4-year history course.
- **TYPING:** Typing 1 (Some children are ready to start typing at this age level, but many are not.)
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting 2
- **NOTEBOOKS:** Creative Arts & Crafts



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## GRADE 3 (ages 7–9)

- **GRADE 3 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level 2 or Level 3
- **MATH:** Math 2 or Math 3; Musical Multiplication
- **SCIENCE:** Choose 3–5 science units.
- **HISTORY:** Choose any year from our 4-year history course.
- **TYPING:** Typing 1 or 2
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting 2, 3, or 4

## GRADE 6 (ages 10–12)

- **GRADE 6 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level 5 or Level 6
- **MATH:** Math 5 or Math 6; Musical Multiplication
- **SCIENCE:** Choose 3–5 science or health units.
- **HISTORY:** Choose any year of our 4-year history course or our US Constitution and Government course.
- **TYPING:** All 3 typing levels may be used for older children if desired.
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting 5, 6, or 7
- **NOTEBOOKS:** One or more: Creative Writing, Nature Notebook

## GRADE 4 (ages 8–10)

- **GRADE 4 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level 3 or Level 4
- **MATH:** Math 3 or Math 4; Musical Multiplication
- **SCIENCE:** Choose 3–5 science units.
- **HISTORY:** Choose any year from our 4-year history course.
- **TYPING:** Typing 2 or 3
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting 3, 4, or 5
- **NOTEBOOKS:** One or more: Creative Arts & Crafts, Creative Writing, Nature Notebook

## GRADE 7 (ages 11–13)

- **GRADE 7 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level 6 or Level 7
- **MATH:** Math 6 or Pre-Algebra
- **SCIENCE:** Choose 3–5 science or health units.
- **HISTORY:** Choose any year of our 4-year history course, or our US Constitution and Government course.
- **TYPING:** All 3 typing levels may be used for older children if desired.
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting 6 or 7.  
No handwriting is needed after Level 7 is completed.
- **NOTEBOOKS:** One or more: Creative Writing, Nature Notebook

## GRADE 5 (ages 9–11)

- **GRADE 5 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level 4 or Level 5
- **MATH:** Math 4 or Math 5; Musical Multiplication
- **SCIENCE:** Choose 3–5 science or health units.
- **HISTORY:** Choose any year of our 4-year history course or our US Constitution and Government course.
- **TYPING:** All 3 typing levels may be used for older children if desired.
- **HANDWRITING:** Handwriting 4, 5, or 6
- **NOTEBOOKS:** One or more: Creative Writing, Nature Notebook

## GRADE 8 (ages 12–14)

- **GRADE 8 LANGUAGE ARTS:** Level 7, Level 8 Book Studies, or High School 1
- **MATH:** Pre-Algebra or Algebra
- **SCIENCE:** Choose 3–5 science units.
- **HISTORY:** Choose any year of our 4-year history course or our US Constitution and Government course.
- **TYPING:** All 3 typing levels may be used for older children if desired.
- **HANDWRITING:** No handwriting is needed after Level 7 is completed.
- **NOTEBOOKS:** Creative Writing

