

The Ultimate Homeschool Resource Guide

Thoughts of a Homeschool Mom



Who Is Dr. Tiffuny?

I'm a former member of Corporate America, turned homeschooling mom and entrepreneur. As I researched curricula for my homeschool program, the vast number of resources and programs that exist completely overwhelmed me. I immediately felt a desire to help others avoid that "overwhelmed" feeling I experienced in the process of developing my Kindergarten curriculum.

My goal is to provide resources, tips, advice, and encouragement to help you shape your child's learning experience. Thoughts of a Homeschool Mom is the vehicle I've created to do just that!





The Ultimate Resource Guide

This guide is full of awesome resources that I am currently using, or have used in the past. I have separated each of the resources into appropriate categories, for your convenience, and I'm certain you'll find value in this comprehensive list.

Getting Started

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Homeschool Legal Defense Association (https://www.hslda.org/)

This is a great place to start if you have no idea about the homeschooling guidelines and requirements in your state of residence. The HSLDA also provides legal counsel and protection to their members, when applicable.

• Homeschool.com (http://www.homeschool.com/default.asp)

This comprehensive website is a great starting point for the homeschooling beginner. You'll find information about top curriculum options, free resources and tips, and encouragement.

Online and Hard Copy Curriculum

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• ABC Jesus Loves Me (http://abcjesuslovesme.com/)

This Bible-based curriculum can be used free online or purchased for an affordable fee in hardcopy form. You can also purchase licenses to teach outside of the home. This program includes five curriculum levels ranging from ages 2-5.

• Time4Learning.com (https://www.time4learning.com)

This is an online curriculum for Elementary through High School. Fees include: Monthly subscription of \$19.95/student for K-8 and \$30/student for 9-12.

Pre-Made Worksheets and Lesson Plans

Worksheets/Lesson Plans

• Education.com (http://education.com)

This website offers an assortment of worksheets, lesson plans, workbooks, and online games in a variety of subjects. Materials cover Pre-K — High school. The website provides **FREE** resources, or you can purchase a subscription. There are monthly, annual, and lifetime subscription options.

• Coloring.WS (http://coloring.ws/)

Check out assorted coloring pages for kids, in a variety of subjects.

• Print Activities (http://www.printactivities.com/)

Here you'll find connect the dot, math, reading, word puzzles, and coloring pages

• Teachers Pay Teachers (https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/)

The website offers a variety of worksheets and lesson plans in various subjects. These materials are made for teachers by teachers.

• The Measured Mom (http://www.themeasuredmom.com/) –

Discover reading, writing, math, and spelling worksheets, and free printables.



DIY Worksheets

DTY Worksheets

• Handwriting Practice (http://handwritingpractice.net/)

Create fully customized handwriting worksheets in manuscript and cursive format.

• Twisty Noodle (<u>http://twistynoodle.com/</u>)

This website provides coloring pages, numbers, letters, and handwriting worksheets. You can also complete minor customization on most of the worksheets.

Sights Words and Reading

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• Fast Phonics (<u>www.abcfastphonics.com</u>)

This website gives your child a solid foundation for reading and comprehension, including, letters and sounds, common words, blending, spelling, etc.

• Hubbard's Cupboard (http://www.hubbardscupboard.org/)

Explore sight word booklets, phonics booklets, and various subjects for toddlers, preschoolers, and kindergartners.

• Starfall (http://more.starfall.com/m/welcome/index/load.htm)

A Pre-K - 2nd grade resource for phonics, sight words, math, songs, and activities. This resource reminds me of a more user-friendly version of ABC Mouse. The parent section of the website includes full lesson plans for a variety of subjects. There is an annual fee of \$35.00.

• Teach Your Monster to Read (https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/)

Your little reader will create his or her own monster and guide them on a reading journey. The game is presented in three levels that cover an introduction to letters and sounds, building words and blending sounds, and reading basic sentences. The computer version (laptop or desktop) is **FREE**. The app is \$4.99 (one-time fee).

Helpful Blogs

Blogs

• 1+1+1=1 (<u>http://www.1plus1plus1equals1.net/</u>)

Check out this blog for homeschool help, free printables, and assistance with homeschooling your toddler, preschooler, or kindergartner.

• Confessions of a Homeschooler (http://confessionsofahomeschooler.com/)

Get ready for fun recipes, free homeschool resources, day in the life information, and curriculum.

• Homeschool Creations (http://www.homeschoolcreations.net/)

This fun blog includes curriculum help, daily homeschooling encouragement, and free printables.

• Rockabye Butterfly (http://www.rockabyebutterfly.com/)

This whimsical blog includes fun learning activities and crafts for preschoolers and kindergartners.

• Thoughts Of A Homeschool Mom (http://thoughtsofahomeschoolmom.com)

This is your Ultimate Homeschool Resource for Pre-K – 1 Grade, including homeschool encouragement, product reviews, and free printables.

Weather Wiz, Kids (<u>http://www.weatherwiz,kids.com/</u>)

Find answers to weather and scientific questions, and cool science activities.

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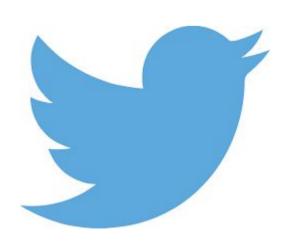
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