

FOUR-YEAR HISTORY OUTLINE

This document shows the general plan for major topics explored by *The Good and the Beautiful* history courses over four years. Please note that not all the topics covered in the Student Explorers are listed.

Student Explorer activities include:

Grades 1-3 and 4-6: interactive map activities, copy work, coloring pages, matching games, timeline pages, and additional historical information and stories. (Not every activity is included with every unit.)

Grades 7-9 and 10-12: interactive map activities, various history projects, reading assignments, timeline pages, writing assignments, additional historical information. (Not every activity is included with every unit.)

The courses do not go in chronological order for these reasons:

- Each course goes from ancient history to modern history, connecting all time periods but stopping in certain time periods and places to explore in-depth. This allows children to see the entire flow of history each year.
- Children and parents often do not like spending an entire year on just one specific time period.
- If history courses go in chronological order, it can be years until U.S. history is studied. These courses place an emphasis on U.S. history, so it is explored each year!



YEAR 1

UNIT 1: ANCIENT EGYPT

1. The Creation
2. Adam through Enoch
3. Noah through the Tower of Babel
4. Introduction to Ancient Egypt
5. Ancient Egypt: Daily Life & Writing
6. Ancient Egypt: Government & Buildings
7. Ancient Egypt: Afterlife & Herodotus
8. The Power and Importance of History
9. Ancient Egypt Oral Presentations
10. Abraham
11. Isaac & Rebekah/Ancient Trade Routes
12. Joseph in Egypt
13. Moses/The Passover
14. Egypt From 600 BC to Modern Day

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

creation vs. evolution, stories of the flood from many cultures, Queen Hatshepsut, writing in ancient Egypt, Valley of the Kings, Mary Louis Whatley in Egypt, Abraham, Joseph

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

the Suez Canal, the Arab Spring, Ancient Egypt, the history of the Jews

UNIT 2: THE MIDDLE AGES & THE RENAISSANCE

15. Ancient Britain
16. The Spread of Christianity in Ireland/ St. Patrick
17. Review/History of Your Church
18. The Spread of Christianity in England
19. King Alfred the Great
20. William the Conqueror
21. Life in the Middle Ages
22. The Magna Carta: Part 1
23. The Magna Carta: Part 2
24. The Age of Chivalry
25. Joan of Arc: Part 1
26. Joan of Arc: Part 2
27. Joan of Arc: Part 3
28. The Black Death & The Renaissance
29. The Scientific Revolution
30. The Faithful French Huguenots

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

St. Augustine, Alfred the Great, the Dark Ages, King Alfred, William the Conqueror, the Magna Carta, Joan of Arc

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

Alfred the Great, Medieval History, the Magna Carta, John Locke, France in the New World, the Dutch Revolt, the Spanish Armada

UNIT 3: THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR THROUGH THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

31. New France
32. Young George Washington
33. The French & Indian War
34. Reasons for a Revolution
35. The Sons of Liberty & The Boston Tea Party
36. The First Continental Congress & the Start of the Revolutionary War
37. The Second Continental Congress
38. The Character of Thomas Jefferson
39. The Coming Forth of the Declaration of Independence
40. John Locke
41. The Sacrifices of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence
42. Principles of the Declaration of Independence
43. General George Washington
44. The Battle of Trenton
45. Valley Forge & Alliance with France
46. The Articles of Confederation
47. The End of the Revolutionary War
48. The Blessings of a Constitutional Democratic Republic

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

Jacques Cartier, the expedition of Joliet and Marquette, La Salle, the French and Indian War, the Boston Massacre, Samuel Adams, Paul Revere, Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, John Locke, Nathan Hale, the Battle of Trenton, the Culper Spy Ring, Lafayette, Francis Marion, the Articles of Confederation

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

Samuel Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Samuel de Champlain, the French and Indian War, the Boston Massacre, John Locke, Nathan Hale, Benedict Arnold, African Americans in the Revolutionary War



UNIT 4: THE VICTORIAN ERA • THE HISTORY OF FLIGHT • THE COLD WAR ERA

49. Queen Victoria & The British Empire
50. The Victorian Period
51. Foreign Missionary Movement Part 1
52. Foreign Missionary Movement Part 2
53. Two Famous Victorians
54. Florence Nightingale/The Great Irish Famine
55. The History of Flight
56. Cold War Part 1 (1945-1950): The Berlin Blockade
57. Cold War Part 2: Rebellion and Resistance
58. The Space Race
59. Ronald Reagan
60. The Fall of Communism

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

the British Empire in 1898, the Foreign Missionary Movement, the Spirit of St. Louis, the Cold War

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

additional historical information, writing assignments and biography projects about The British Empire in 1898, the Foreign Missionary Movement, David Livingstone, Ronald Reagan, the history of flight, the Cold War



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HISTORY

YEAR 2 - COURSE BOOK

YEAR 2

UNIT 1: ANCIENT GREECE • ANCIENT ASIA

1. Ancient Greece: Geography & Mythology
2. Ancient Greece: Daily Life
3. Greek City-States
4. The Olympics/The Persian War
5. Ancient Greece: Philosophy, Math, Science, Astronomy
6. Alexander the Great
7. Introduction to Ancient China
8. Ancient China: Dynasties, Calendar, and Art
9. Ancient China: Daily Life
10. Ancient China: Religion
11. Genghis and Kublai Khan
12. Ancient India
13. Unit 1 Review

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

ancient Greece, ancient China, Genghis and Kublai Khan

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

ancient India, the Akkadian Empire, Sargon the Great, Xerxes, the Peloponnesian Wars, the Iliad, the Odyssey

Note: Greek mythology is briefly discussed, but no Greek mythology stories are a part of this course. However, the course offers a resource page (with links) for parents who want to study Greek mythology with their children.

UNIT 2: VIKINGS • EXPLORATION • PRE-COLUMBIAN AMERICA

14. Vikings: Part 1
15. Vikings: Part 2
16. Marco Polo
17. Motivations for Exploration
18. Christopher Columbus: Part 1
19. Christopher Columbus: Part 2
20. Christopher Columbus: Part 3
21. Balboa and John and Sebastian Cabot
22. Other Explorers
23. Pre-Columbian America
24. Mayan Civilization
25. Aztecs Civilization
26. The Inca Empire
27. Conquistadors

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

the Vikings, Christopher Columbus, Ferdinand De Soto, Francisco Coronado, Inca Trail

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

the Vikings, Christopher Columbus, Ferdinand De Soto

UNIT 3: COLONIAL AMERICA • THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

28. Jamestown, John Cook, & Pocahontas
29. The Pilgrims: Part 1
30. The Pilgrims: Part 2
31. Henry Hudson & the Dutch Colonies
32. The Puritans
33. Thomas Hooker & Roger Williams
34. William Penn & James Oglethorpe
35. Everyday Life in Colonial Times: Part 1
36. Everyday Life in Colonial Times: Part 2
37. The Thirteen Colonies
38. Benjamin Franklin: Part 1
39. Benjamin Franklin: Part 2
40. The Coming Forth of the U.S. Constitution
41. Basics of the Constitution
42. Important Principles of Freedom
43. The Blessings of a Constitutional Democratic Republic
44. George Washington as President

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

Sir Walter Raleigh, Peter the Great, the thirteen Colonies, Benjamin Franklin, the Constitution

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

Sir Walter Raleigh, Peter the Great, the thirteen Colonies, Benjamin Franklin, the Constitution, Napoleon Bonaparte, Sir Humphrey Gilbert, the Salem Witch Trials, the French Revolution

Note: Unit 3 of the Year 2 course goes over only the most important and basic principles of the constitution. It is suggested that after you complete the Year 1, 2, 3, and 4 courses, you take our U.S. Government and Economics course, which is designed for children in grades 7-12 and goes into great depth about the history and details of the U.S. Constitution and important principles of liberty, government, and economics.



UNIT 4: THE VICTORIAN ERA • THE HISTORY OF FLIGHT • THE COLD WAR ERA

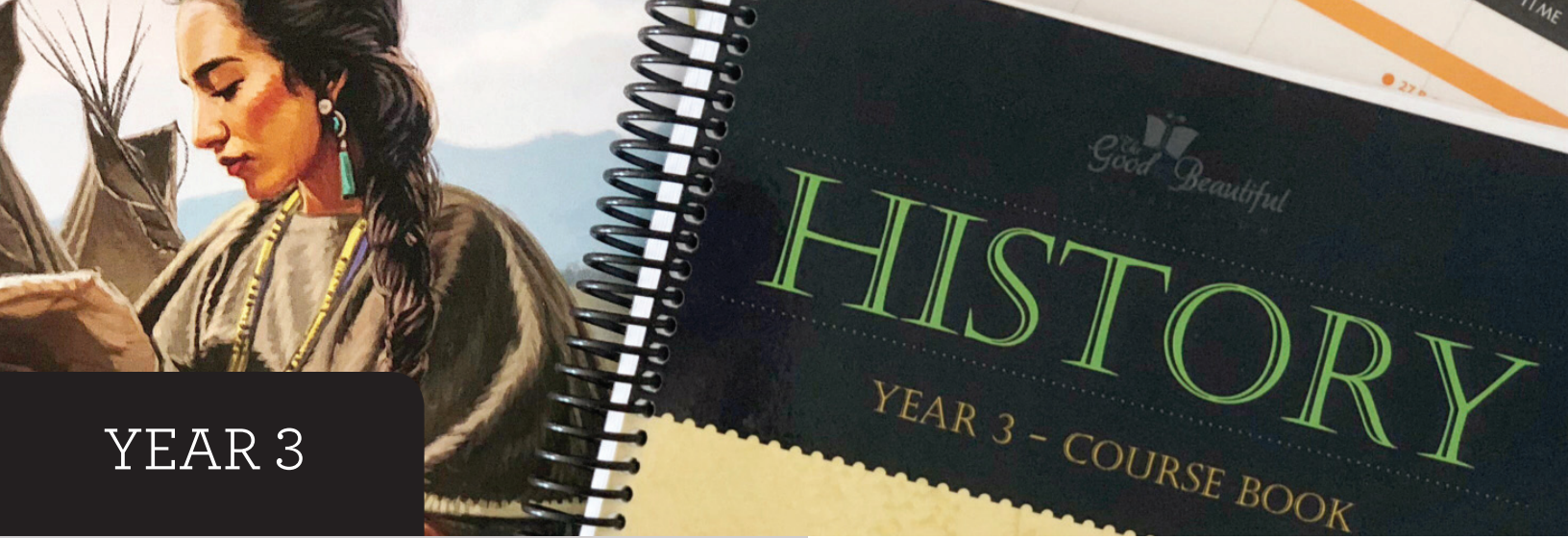
45. Education in Early America:
A Foundation on Christ
46. Noah Webster
47. William McGuffey
48. Review
49. Henry Ford
50. World War I: The Causes
51. World War I: Effects of the War/
Why the U.S. Joined the War
52. World War I: Life in the Trenches/
Weapons & Technology
53. World War I: Life in the U.S.
54. World War I: Stories of True Heroism
55. Review
56. The Roaring 20s
57. Causes of the Great Depression
58. The Great Depression
59. The Dust Bowl
60. Review

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

Noah Webster, Marie Curie, the United States and WWI, the Roaring 20s

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

William Penn, the history of American education, Noah Webster, Marie Curie, the United States and WWI, the Roaring 20s, Andrew Carnegie, prohibition, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Missionary Movement, David Livingstone, Ronald Reagan, the history of flight, the Cold War



YEAR 3

UNIT 1: ANCIENT MESOPOTAMIA & ANCIENT ISRAEL

1. Mesopotamia
2. The Babylonians & the Assyrians
3. The Exodus & 40 Years in the Desert
4. David & Solomon
5. The Phoenicians
6. Jonah the Prophet/Review
7. The Neo-Babylonian Empire and Nebuchadnezzar II
8. Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego
9. The Prophet Daniel and Review
10. Cyrus the Great
11. The Persian Empire
12. Job/The Hebrew Calendar
13. Esther
14. Israel: After the Return/The Alexandrine Occupation
15. Israel: Roman Conquest/The Birth of Jesus Christ
16. The Story of the Jews/Christ's Life to Masada
17. The Story of the Jews from the Destruction of Jerusalem to Modern Times
18. Judaism

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

Mesopotamia, Ancient Israel, Homer, Esther, Judaism

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

the Old Testament, Mesopotamia, Ancient Israel, Homer, Esther, Judaism

UNIT 2: ANCIENT AFRICA • NATIVE NORTH AMERICANS

19. Ancient Africa: Geography and Climate
20. Ancient African Culture: Family Life
21. Ancient African Culture: Trade, Skills, and Education
22. Kingdoms of Ancient Africa: Ghana
23. Kingdoms of Ancient Africa: Mali and Songhai
24. Religion in Ancient Africa
25. Native North Americans: Overview and Geography
26. Arctic and Subarctic Culture Area
27. Eastern Woodlands Culture Area
28. Great Plains Culture Area
29. Eastern Woodlands Culture Area
30. California and Great Basin Culture Areas
31. Southwest Culture Area
32. Southeast Culture Area/The "Five Civilized Tribes"

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

life in ancient Africa, Timbuktu, the Inuits, the history of "Indian" reservations, the Battle of Little Big Horn

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

life in ancient Africa, Timbuktu, the Inuits, the history of "Indian" reservations, the Battle of Little Big Horn, modern African history, Nelson Mandela

UNIT 3: WESTWARD EXPANSION AND INDUSTRIALIZATION

33. Daniel Boone
34. The Louisiana Purchase
35. The Lewis & Clark Expedition & Sacajawea
36. Robert Fulton & the Invention of the Steamboat
37. Santa Fe Trail & The Oregon Trail
38. The California Gold Rush
39. Daily Life on the Frontier
40. Battle of the Alamo
41. Stagecoaches and the Pony Express
42. First Transcontinental Railroad
43. Homestead Act and Land Rush
44. First and Second Industrial Revolutions
45. George Washington Carver
46. Samuel Morse and the Telegraph
47. Thomas Edison

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

the War of 1812, westward expansion, famous gunfighters, Sam Houston, the Industrial Revolution, George Washington Carver

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

the War of 1812, westward expansion, famous gunfighters, Sam Houston, the Industrial Revolution, George Washington Carver, Andrew Jackson, obtaining the Pacific Northwest, the Gadsden Purchase



UNIT 4: WORLD WAR II

45. The Rise of Nazism
46. The Dangers and Destruction of Communism
47. Stories of Faith and Survival in Stalin's Russia
48. Causes of World War II/Pearl Harbor
49. Faith and Resistance in World War II
50. The Holocaust
51. World War II: The U.S. Home Front
52. World War II: Stories of Bravery
53. Winston Churchill
54. D-Day: The Invasion of Normandy
55. War in the Pacific
56. World War II Ends
57. Review of History Years 1, 2, and 3

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-9

propaganda during WWII, WWII timeline, Japanese internment camps, spies and secret agents

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 10-12

propaganda during WWII, WWII timeline, Japanese internment camps, spies and secret agents

YEAR 4

UNIT 1: ANCIENT ROME • CHRISTIANITY IN THE MIDDLE AGES • THE HISTORY OF ISLAM

1. Early History of Rome
2. Ancient Rome: From Republic to Empire
3. The Roman Empire—Geography & Religion
4. The Roman Empire—Government
5. The Roman Empire—Daily Life
6. The Roman Empire—Engineering & Architecture
7. The Birth and Life of Jesus Christ and its Impact on Future History
8. The Spread of the Roman Empire & the Spread of Christianity
9. The Split of the Roman Empire/Constantine
10. Theodosius I to the Fall of the Roman Empire
11. Unit Review
12. The History of Islam/Muhammad
13. The Basic Beliefs of Islam/Islamic Culture
14. Islamic Expansion/Ottoman Empire
15. Islam through the Ages: Its Contributions and Impacts Then and Now
16. Christianity in Medieval Times
17. The Temple Mount and Pilgrimages
18. The Crusades

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-12

Hannibal, the Punic Wars, Spartacus the Gladiator, Julius Caesar, the burning of Rome/the destruction of Pompeii, Caliphate, First Four Caliphs, Saint Francis of Assisi, the War of the Roses

UNIT 2: THE REFORMATION • THE HISTORY OF THE BIBLE

Note: Lessons on the Inquisition and the Reformation are optional. Some families may choose to skip this portion of the unit because of personal religious beliefs.

19. The Inquisition
20. Causes of the Reformation
21. John Wycliffe
22. Gutenberg & the Printing Press
23. Martin Luther
24. John Huss/Huldrych Zwingli
25. William Tyndale
26. John Calvin and Puritanism
27. Henry VIII: The Church of England/ The Great Bible
28. King James I and the Bible/The Impact of the Bible
29. Unit Review

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-12

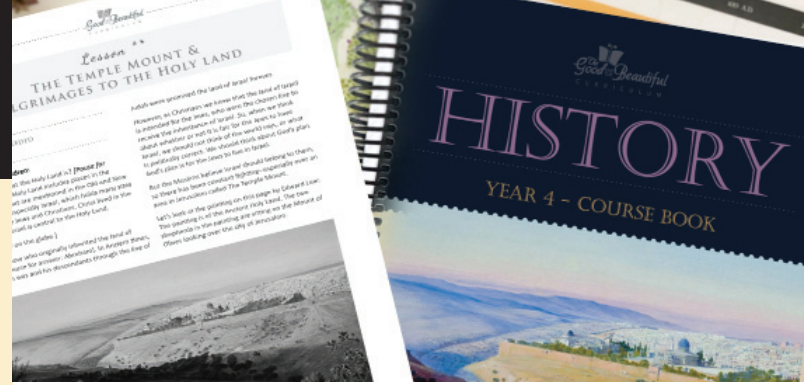
famous queens, King Henry VIII, the Counter-Reformation, the Tudor Era

UNIT 3: SLAVERY • THE CIVIL WAR ERA

30. Abolition of the European Slave Trade:
John Newton
31. Abolition of the European Slave Trade:
William Wilberforce
32. Slavery in America
33. Eli Whitney and the Cotton Gin
34. The Underground Railroad
35. Harriet Tubman
36. Harriet Beecher Stowe & Uncle
Tom's Cabin
37. Sojourner Truth
38. Abraham Lincoln: Childhood
39. Abraham Lincoln: From Teenager to
President
40. Civil War: Overview & Geography
41. Civil War: The Confederation Secedes/
The Union Blockade
42. Civil War: Ulysses S. Grant
43. Civil War: Life at Home & Life as a Soldier
44. Clara Barton and the Red Cross
45. Civil War: The Battle of Gettysburg & The
Gettysburg Address
46. Civil War: The End of the War/Emancipation
Proclamation/Reconstruction
47. Booker T. Washington

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-12

William Pitt (1708-1778), abolition in America (Benjamin Franklin, William Lloyd Garrison, the Dred and Harriet Scott story, the legal case of Roswell Field and Taylor Blow), Frederick Douglass, John Brown and the Harpers Ferry Raid, First Battle of Bull Run and Stonewall Jackson, Robert E. Lee, Nathan Bedford Forrest



UNIT 4: POST-WORLD WAR II HISTORY

48. Women's Suffrage
49. Mahatma Gandhi
50. African-American Civil Rights Movement:
Part 1
51. African-American Civil Rights Movement:
Part 2
52. Mother Theresa
53. Technology Boom
54. Space Travel in the 1900s: Man Walks on
the Moon/Space Shuttle Challenger
55. September 11 Attacks (2001) and the
Iraq War (2003)
56. Modern History Part 1
57. Modern History Part 2
58. Modern History
59. Closing Unit

STUDENT EXPLORERS FOR GRADES 7-12

Gulf War (1990-1991)