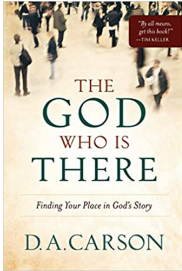


2020-21  
Parents' Educational Course  
Reading List

Divinity

This section of the original Mother's Educational Course contained books in the following three subcategories:

1. The Study of portions of Old and New Testaments
2. Books illustrating the Old Testament from the results of modern research
3. Books containing practical teaching with regard to the religious life

Subcategory 1	Subcategory 2	Subcategory 3
		
<p style="text-align: center;">The God Who Is There by D.A. Carson</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Lost World of Genesis I by John Walton</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Women of the Word by Jen Wilkin</p>
<p>This is an excellent introduction to Biblical Theology--understanding the big picture of the Bible from beginning to end.</p>	<p>This is an intriguing look at the original intent and meaning of Genesis I, a topic that can divide Christians on the topic of faith and science. Walton's points are well worth considering in this modern day.</p>	<p>Please don't be turned off by the title of this book. Though directed towards women, this book is an immensely practical guide to beginning or deepening personal Bible study.</p>
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Physiology and Health

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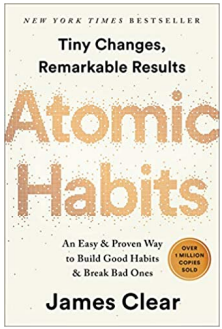
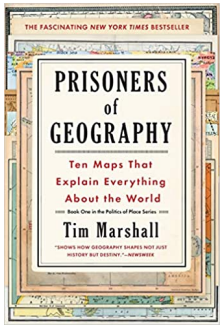
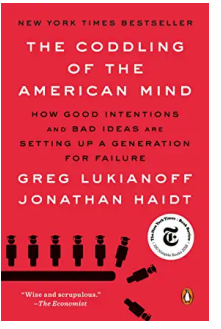
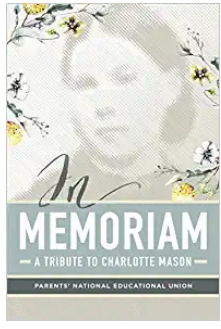
1. The organs of the body
2. The laws of health
3. The care of sick and of infant children (We will be including books on learning challenges and special needs here)

Subcategory 1	Subcategory 2	Subcategory 3
		
<p>Thirty Million Words by Dana Suskind</p>	<p>Last Child in the Woods by Richard Louv</p>	<p>The Tech-Wise Family by Andy Crouch</p>
<p>A fascinating look at the link and absolute importance of language exposure on the developing brain.</p>	<p>This book should probably be on any must-read list for Charlotte Mason parents. Louv explains the role nature plays in all aspects of our physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health.</p>	<p>In our culture dominated by technology, this book helps parents navigate the often fraught topic of how to keep a healthy balance with screens and other devices. We chose this as it is fundamental to so many areas of health, growth, learning, and development.</p>
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Mental and Moral Science & Education

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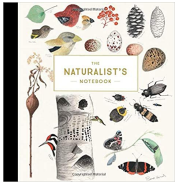
1. Mental Physiology
2. Ethics
3. Theory of Education
4. Methods of Instruction

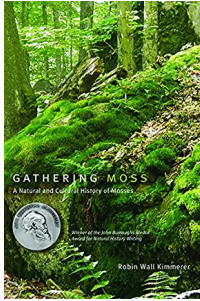
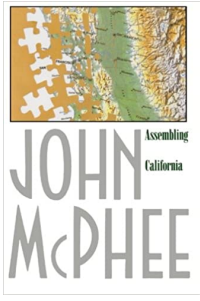
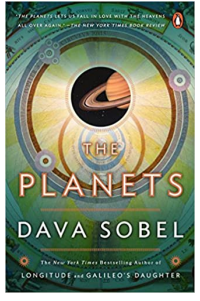
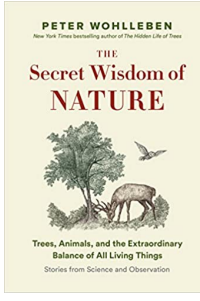
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<p style="text-align: center;">Atomic Habits By James Clear</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Prisoners of Geography by Tim Marshall</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Coddling of the American Mind by Lukianoff &amp; Haidt</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">In Memoriam: A Tribute to Charlotte Mason</p>
<p>Charlotte Mason’s use of mental physiology largely informed her teaching on habits and habit training. Given the importance of this topic, not only in helping our children develop good habits, but also (even moreso?) developing them ourselves, we include this book.</p>	<p>We have been telling everyone to read this book for the last two years so couldn’t leave Marshall’s fascinating book off this list. Prisoners of Geography provides so much context for current international relations issues it will help us understand our present world.</p>	<p>Charlotte Mason taught the art of standing aside--masterly inactivity. This book shows how a lack of that practice has ramifications for our entire society.</p>	<p>Apart from her Home Education Series, this book gives more insight into the method and outcome of a Charlotte Mason education than any other we know. Written by colleagues, former HOE, PUS students, and other people who knew CM, this book will help you get to know Miss Mason better too!</p>
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## Nature Lore and Elements of Science

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1. Botany
2. Geology
3. Astronomy
4. Study of Animal Life

Bonus Book		
	<p>The Naturalist’s Notebook by Nathaniel Wheelwright</p>	<p>We wanted to add this one to the list as it will be helpful for general nature knowledge for all parents seeking to help their children observe and build relationships with the world around them. It also has great ideas and inspiration for keeping a nature notebook. Easy to read, with limited text, the bulk of this book is a ‘Calendar of Firsts’ with space to record 5 years’ worth of observations.</p>

Subcategory 1	Subcategory 2	Subcategory 3	Subcategory 4
			
<p><b>Gathering Moss</b> by Robin Wall Kimmerer</p>	<p><b>Assembling California</b> by John McPhee</p>	<p><b>The Planets</b> by Dava Sobol</p>	<p><b>The Secret Wisdom of Nature</b> by Peter Wohlleben</p>
<p>Kimmerer opens your eyes to a new world all around you--one that you’ve likely never paid much attention to before, while she also teaches why we sometimes have a diminished capacity for attention.</p>	<p>You know about the Gold Rush and the earthquakes of the San Andreas fault, but it wasn’t until the 1960s that scientists learned about plate tectonics. This book looks at California’s geological landscape with side trips to Arizona, Cyprus, and northern Greece.</p>	<p>While Sobel is not an astronomer, she provides a (mostly) up to date account of each of the planets in our solar system. The scientific information is robust enough to satisfy the layman, but the addition of folklore, poetry, history, and even music round out a truly enjoyable read.</p>	<p>In this book, the third in an excellent series, Wohlleben looks at the complicated relationships between individual species and the way our management or interference in these relationships can lead to unintended consequences.</p>
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