

Curriculum Picks Criteria: "Why THAT Resource?"

Preamble

These Picks are print options, not digital.

It is a rare thing to find a home education curriculum that aligns to BC standards from a Christian worldview at the proper grade level. This is the ideal but is the exception rather than the rule.

In general, stand-alone resources have been selected. This means that Picks can be used regardless of whether or not the resources in the grade or level prior have been completed, and are specific to the subject area. Picks for the most part are not cross-curricular; exceptions to this have been noted.

The purpose of the Picks is to provide print options for families who want a list of vetted suggestions. It is not a list of the best materials available, because (in addition to the other points on this page) what is best for one student may not be best for another.

The Picks also do not include many of the digital or borrowed resources that are available. For more information about these, please see this page, <https://hcslearningcommons.org/curriculum-options/>.

Curriculum selection is best completed in consultation with the support teacher.

The suggestions listed may not be suitable for every student and should be considered as an option among other options.

Many typical and popular home education resources do not find themselves on the list of Picks for the reasons stated on this page. This does not mean that they are not excellent, it just means that they have not met the criteria and purpose for creating a list of Picks.

Priorities for Selecting Resources

- A print resource
- Address the big ideas of BC's curriculum at the appropriate grade level
- Is user-friendly
- Is designed for home education
- Is written from a Christian worldview
- Includes lessons and/or activities so that the parent/student knows what to do with the resource. In cases where this is not possible and an information resource such as a nonfiction book has been recommended, a book of graphic organizers has been

suggested to supplement that resource.

For more information, or to request a curriculum consult, please contact your support teacher or email our Curriculum Consultant, cynthia.duncalfe@onlineschool.ca.

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