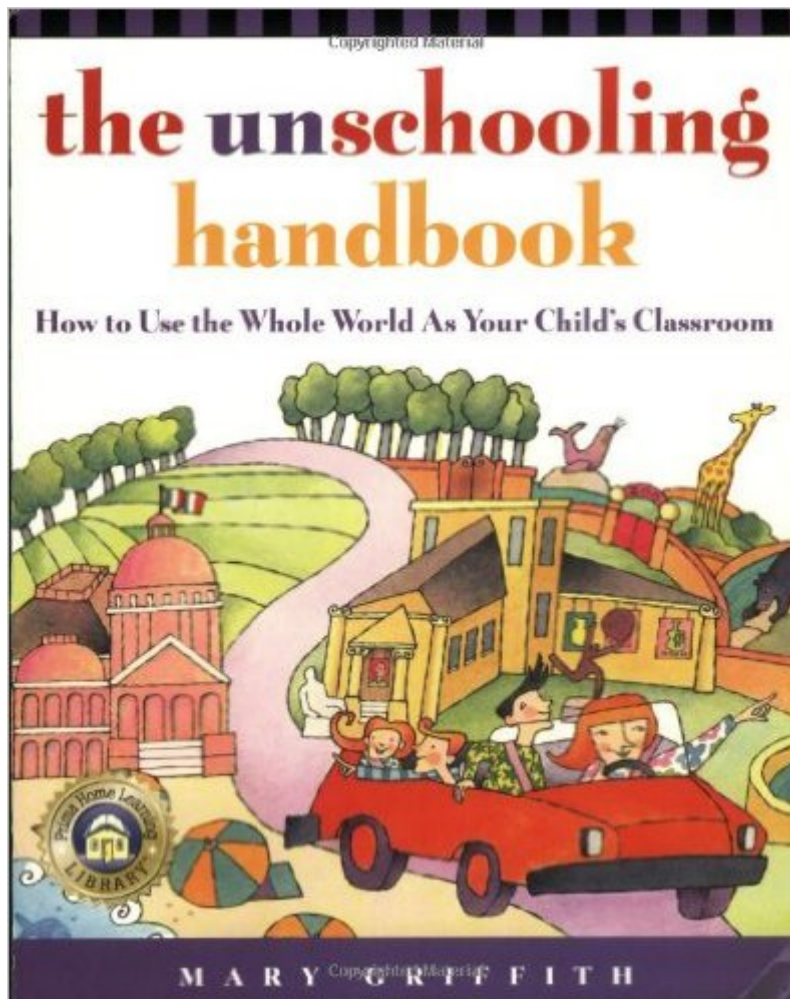


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The Unschooling Handbook : How To Use The Whole World As Your Child's Classroom



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To Unschoolers, Learning Is As Natural As Breathing Did you know that a growing percentage of home schoolers are becoming unschoolers? The unschooling movement is founded on the principle that children learn best when they pursue their own natural curiosities and interests. Without bells, schedules, and rules about what to do and when, the knowledge they gain through mindful living and exploration is absorbed more easily and enthusiastically. Learning is a natural, inborn impulse, and the world is rich with lessons to be learned and puzzles to be solved. Successful unschooling parents know how to stimulate and direct their children's learning impulse. Once you read this book, so will you!

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I am a SAHM to a 2.5 year old. I've recently decided that I will not send her to preschool, so I've been looking for inspiration and guidance on how to make the most of the next few years. I've been unschooling my daughter since she was born, and it makes perfect sense to continue doing so for another two or three years. However, I am a bit of a perfectionist and I've been questioning whether what I've been doing is enough. After reading this book, I'm still questioning. My daughter might not need formalization and structure during the next few years, but in order to be an effective educational guide, I certainly do. The Unschooling Handbook is really not a handbook at all. It's a pat on the back for those families that are already unschooling and an encouraging read for those

considering it. The back cover states, "successful unschooling parents know how to stimulate and direct their children's learning impulse. Once you read this book, so will you!" but I did not find this to be true. There is lots of encouragement, but very little instruction. The Unschooling Handbook is a good introduction and an easy read, but it quickly becomes repetitive and frequently fails to delve below the surface of each broad topic. I was hoping to see information about how to determine if unschooling is right for your family and how to determine your child's personality and learning type and whether or not it is likely to be conducive to unschooling. I was hoping to see some guidance about knowing when to lead and when to follow. I was hoping for lists of materials to have on hand for several age groups, and lists of topics to expose children to at different ages.

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