

Homeschool Planning

6th Grade Social Studies & Science

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Comprehensive Plan for 6th Grade Social Studies and Science

Congratulations on beginning your home education journey! Please see below for a suggested plan for teaching social studies and science, which can be tailored to fit your weekly schedule/interests/preferences:

Social Studies

The five essential branches of social studies—geography, history, culture and society (sociology), civics and government, and economics—can be integrated into your daily or rotating schedule. Here's a breakdown:

History: Utilize resources like [History Quest](#) or [Curiosity Chronicles](#) as a primary history spine. Read and explore together, allowing for independent study (note that culture, civics, government, and economics are all integrated into history lessons). Encourage research and projects based on your child's natural interests.

Geography: Align geography studies with your primary history spine. For instance, when delving into the medieval period, focus on European/Asian geography. Explore U.S. history with a focus on the geography of different regions. Use supporting geography worktexts like [180 Days of Geography](#) to reinforce map skills.

Civics & Government: Visit the library regularly for books such as "[The Everything American Government Book](#)." Enrich your studies by taking short courses on the branches of

government through platforms like Outschool. Consider a community service project to bring civic engagement to life.

Economics: Engage in a quality ~6-week financial literacy course available on Outschool to enhance your child's understanding of economics.

Science

For science education, consider the following:

Utilize "[Real Science Odyssey](#)," a flexible program offering guidance for teaching science 2, 3, or 5 days a week. Invest in the Teacher Guide, textbook, and workbook for comprehensive coverage.

Alternatively, check out [Building Foundations for Scientific Understanding](#). This curriculum requires more preparation, but is extremely high quality like RSO.

Supplemental Science Resources:

Explore [Amoeba Sisters YouTube](#) (technically geared toward high school but some videos may support lessons nicely), [Generation Genius](#), and "[Everything You Need to Ace Science Notebook](#)" for additional science support.

Health and Body Course: Since many 6th graders take a health and body course, find one that resonates on Outschool to ensure a well-rounded curriculum.

Flexibility is key! Tailor the plan to suit your child's interests and learning pace. Embrace the journey and enjoy the enriching experience of homeschooling.

Best of luck!