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what you need, what you don't and what I wish I'd known



WHAT YOU NEED *basics*

- pencils
- pens (black + fun colors for grading)
- coloring stuff (I like colored pencils)
- crafty things (even if you hate crafts you need scissors!)
- paper (lined & colored) and folders for organization
- books (school + fiction + relevant reference)



WHAT YOU NEED *organization*

- corral all your supplies so you can find them quickly
- mark the spine of school books so they don't get lost
- designate a "library books" bag to keep fines in check!
- declutter so it's easier to keep school + home liveable
- simplify record keeping with HomeschoolManager.com
- don't wait for things to be perfect to start



WHAT YOU NEED *your kid's heart*

Homeschooling with your child's heart in mind means treating kids with respect and teaching at a pace that both challenges and leaves room for deeper learning and exploring. Above all, we should remember that we're shaping character not just educating the mind.



YOU DON'T NEED *a classroom at home*

You don't need a dedicated room to homeschool. You don't need an exorbitant budget. You don't need a degree in education or the newest curriculum for each subject. You don't even have to join a co-op. Remember you are teaching your child to LOVE LEARNING and to develop the skills for a LIFETIME of learning. *Enjoy the journey!!!*