



## Countries of the World Student Notebook

### Elementary History

(Ages 8-12)

When families use the Well-Educated Heart resource to read stories of history, the children will become familiar with many of the people and events listed on the Benchmark Achievement List. Students are encouraged to create a “*Countries of the World*” student notebook to record and illustrate their favorite stories from family reading time. The following section dividers will help students organize their Countries of the World Notebook.

Countries of the World Section Dividers:

Africa	Holland/Belgium
Ancient Civilizations (Babylon, Assyria, Persia)	The Holy Land
Ancient Egypt	India
Arabia	Mexico
Asia (including China and Japan)	Polynesia
The British Isles (England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales)	Rome and Italy (Roman Empire)
Canada	Scandinavia
France	South America
Germany, Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland	Spain
Greece (Byzantine Empire)	Switzerland
	Russia
	Turkey (Ottoman Empire)

**Page ideas:** As students create their *Countries of the World* textbook, they should be encouraged to focus on the story of the country. They may focus on historical persons, heroic figures, stories that teach morals, geography of the region, and cycles of history within the country. They may also include art, poetry, and music that originated in the country.

*Parents and teachers please remember: This notebook is the student’s creation. The Learning Benchmarks List is provided only as an idea for topics to include. Students should not be pressured to include every item on the list. Encourage the students to use their own imagination and creativity to make the book a reflection of his or her interests.*