



## Family Master Plan

*A comprehensive set of lists and documents that cover all the key educational elements desired by the family. It may include a family mission statement, relationship goals, book lists, religious goals, things to experience, skills to learn, and places to go.*

**Experiences:** Write a list of experiences and proficiencies you want your children to gain before they reach adulthood.

**Age Group Goals and Objectives:** Identify specific objectives for your children to accomplish in each of the three age groups listed on the Hearthstone Plan. Include goals for family relationships, life skills, family heritage, academic subjects, and religious goals. The resources on the Hearthstone Plan website will help you identify some appropriate goals, but don't limit yourself to these ideas alone, identify goals and objectives that are personal to you and your family.

**Classics, Stories and Poetry:** Create a list of books that you plan to read. These may be read out loud as a family or to individual children. They may be intended for one or more family members to read by themselves. There are many book lists on the Hearthstone site to get you started, but don't limit yourself to these lists. Create your list and put it in a place where you can refer to it often.

**Music and Art:** Create a written plan for incorporating music and art into the family's routine. Determine the type of artwork to include in the home décor, picture books, and field trips. Choose music for play time, work time, travel time, quiet time, and recreation. Consider purchasing musical instruments for the home and including music lessons for family members to develop proficiency on an instrument.

**Organized programs:** Create a list of organized programs you hope to have your child or children participate in as they grow older. Examples include Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H, Dance and Theater camps, and Church programs.

**Places to Go:** Maintain a list of places you wish to take your children to help round out their education with many opportunities and experiences. Include opportunities to explore nature, animals, historical settings and exhibits, musical productions, religious presentations, and art exhibits.

**Religious Goals:** Make a written plan for the spiritual education that will take place in your home. Identify what it will look like and what resources you will use to accomplish your goals.