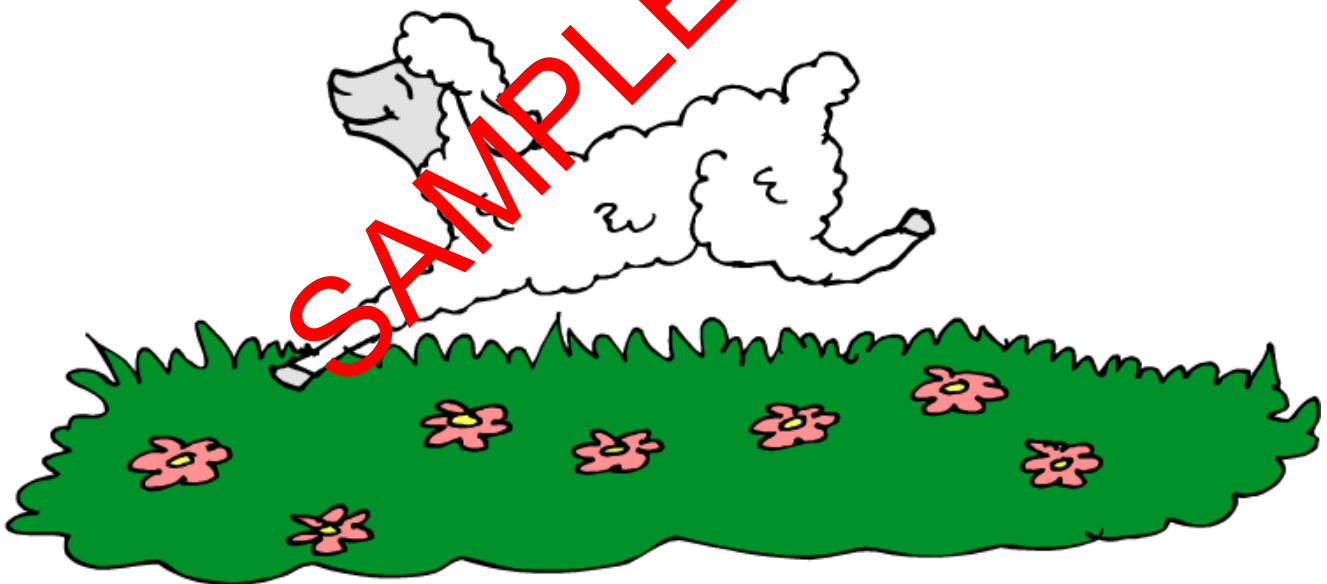




Grades 2-7

Spring

Learning Lapbook with Study Guide



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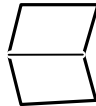
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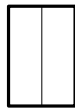
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Things to Know

Hamburger Fold-Fold horizontally



Hotdog Fold-Fold vertically



Folds-Labeled with a small line to show where the fold is and the words “hamburger fold” or “hotdog fold.”

Dotted Lines-These are the cutting lines

Accordion Fold-This fold is like making a paper fan. Fold on the first line so that title is on top. Turn over and fold on next line so that title is on top again. Turn over again and fold again on the next line so that title is on top. Continue until all folds are done.

Cover Labels-Most of the booklets that are folded look nicer with a label on top instead of just a blank space. They will be labeled “cover label.”

So where do the mini-booklets go?

A color-coded and labeled KEY is included. This key shows you where all of the mini-booklets go in each folder. Keep this page handy! You'll also see at the top of the mini-booklet pages another graphic that shows once again where to place the booklet in each folder. So there are TWO ways to see where to place the booklet. We made it easy! You won't get lost.

Lapbook Assembly Choices

(see photos on how to fold and glue your folders together)

We recommend using Zip Dry Glue.

Choice #1 -Do not glue your folders together until you have completely finished all three folders. It is easier to work with one folder instead of two or three glued together.

Choice #2 -Glue all of your folders together before beginning. Some children like to see the entire project as they work on it. It helps with keeping up with which folder you are supposed to be working in. The choices are completely up to you and your child!

How Long Does it Take to Complete the Lapbook?

Doing a study guide page and mini-booklet a day, a 3-folder lapbook takes about one month to complete. However, you can expand the study portion and make it last as long as you like! That's the beauty of homeschooling! Do it YOUR way!

How It All Goes Together

What you need to get started

- *A printed copy of the lapbook by A Journey Through Learning
- *colored file folders
- *Scissors
- *Glue (We recommend Zip Dry Glue)
- *Hole puncher
- *Brads
- *Stapler

To make the storage system (optional-see directions)

- *Duct tape
- One 3-ring binder

Study Choices

Choice #1- Read the first page of the study guide. Then use the internet and fun children's books to learn more about the topic that is covered in that study guide. For instance-our American Indians lapbook has a study guide page about Geronimo. Dig into Geronimo. There are probably lots of interesting things to learn about him that the study guide does not cover. Spend a day on Geronimo or spend a week! The pace you take for the lapbook is completely up to you. When your child has completed studying that particular topic, it will be time to do the mini-booklet for that topic. The mini-booklet patterns are found right after the study guide page that it goes with. Or, your child might want to do the mini-booklet before he/she delves deeper into the subject. Once again, the order is completely up to you and your child.

Choice #2- Read only the study guide page and do the mini-booklet that goes with it. The mini-booklet patterns are found right after the study guide page that it goes with. You may choose to do one study guide/mini-booklet per day, two per day, two per week, three per week, etc. It doesn't matter. The pace is completely up to you. At one per day, it will take about a month to complete a 3 folder lapbook.

How to fold and connect the folders for your lapbook.



1. Gather the number of folders required for your particular lapbook.



2. Open up each folder and flatten it out.



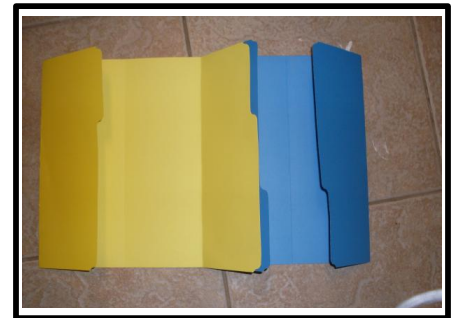
3. Take the right side and fold it all the way over until the tab is just before the middle crease in the folder. Do not overlap this crease with the tab.



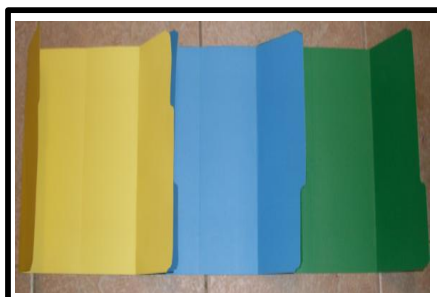
4. Fold the left hand-side over just to the crease but not overlapping it. Your folder now has two flaps. We like to run a ruler down each fold to make the fold neater and flatter. Do steps 3 and 4 to the remaining folders.



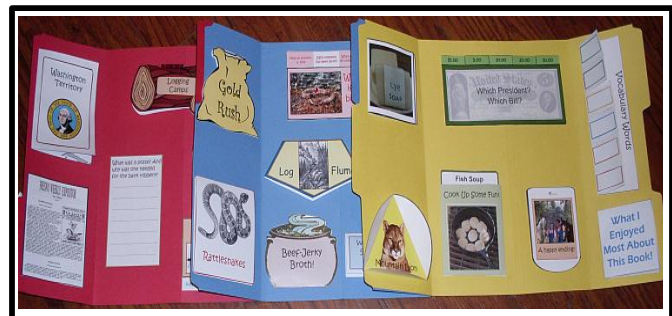
5. Take two of the folders and apply a generous amount of glue to their flaps. We recommend using Zip Dry Paper Glue.



6. Bring the flaps together and press so they stick together.



7. Do steps 5 and 6 to your remaining folders (if any).

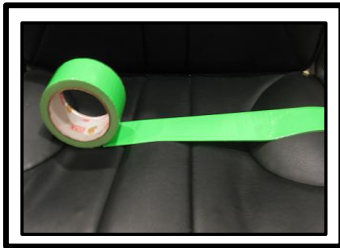


8. The patterns for all the mini-booklets are provided. Just cut out, construct, and glue them into your lapbook. Refer to the color-coded placement page or the actual mini-booklet page for placement of each mini-booklet.

Can I store all of my lapbooks in ONE location?

Yes! A Journey Through Learning has come up with a way that you can store all of your lapbooks from your books in ONE convenient location. A 3-ring binder serves as a great place to keep your lapbooks. This method of storage not only keeps your lapbooks from getting lost but also keeps them neat and readily available to show to dad, grandparents, friends, etc. When they are not being shown off, just place the binder on your bookshelf! Below, we have given you step-by-step directions (with pictures) of how to create a storage binder.

How to make a storage system for your lapbook(s)



Roll out enough duct tape to go across the folders lengthwise.



Put duct tape sticky side up. Place binded edge of lapbook on the duct tape (no more than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch!).



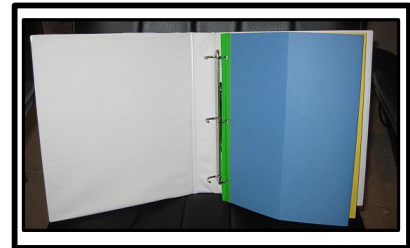
Then stick duct tape to the other side again about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. There will need to be enough tape to hole punch.



Stick duct tape into hole puncher but be careful not to punch holes in your folders.



It will look like this.



Store folders in 3-ring binder.

Tips and tricks to go the extra mile!

Supplies Need:

½ inch three-ring binder

5 tabs (if you are using our copywork and/or notebooking pages, you will need to have 7 tabs. Label with copywork and notebooking)

Quart size baggies

Duct tape

Your study guide and mini-booklets pages

Office supplies-glue, scissors, brads, stapler, pencils, crayons, and ribbon (if needed)

1. Label your tabs: Study Guide, Book Log, NICK Biography Reports, Outlines (Copywork and Notebooking, if using these).

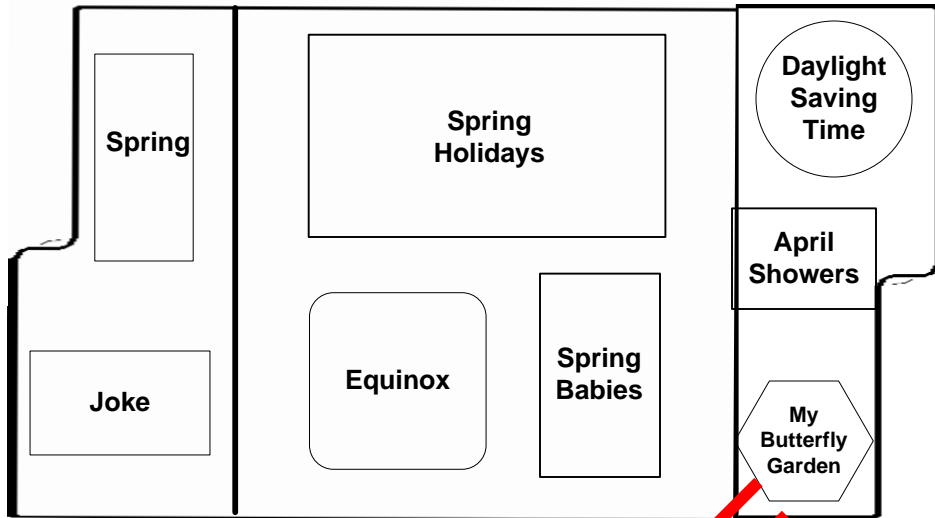
2. Make copies of NICK notes and outline forms and put them behind the tabs. Your child can use either the NICK notes form (easier) or the outline form (a bit harder) after any of the study guides. These serve as a good review of the material in the study guide.

3. Hole punch your study guide and mini-booklets sheets and place behind the Study Guide tab. You will read a page of a study guide. Behind the study guide are all of the booklets that go with that study guide.

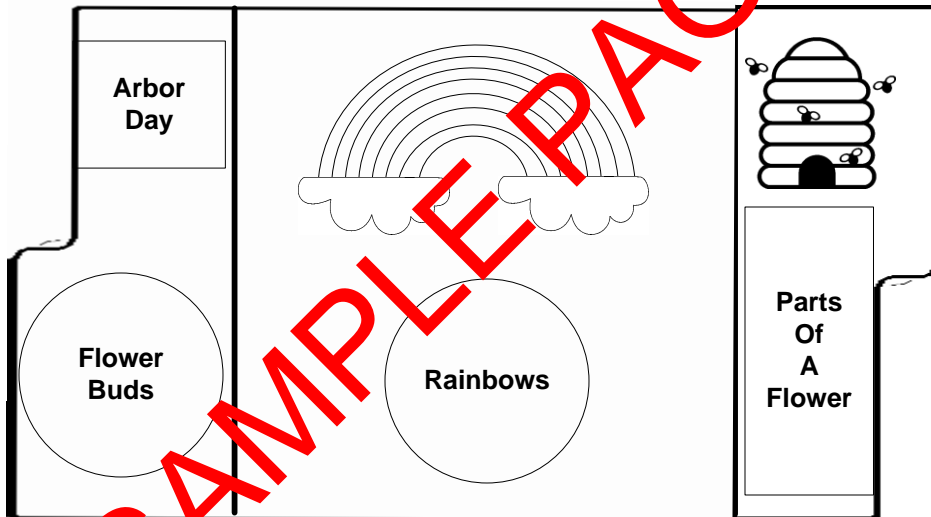
4. Keeping your office supplies handy-Measure the bottom of a quart size zip-lock bag. Then measure out a strip of duct tape that length. Lay the zip-lock bag on the lower edge of the tape. Fold the other end of the tape down on the zip-lock bag. Your duct tape should be sticking out from the bag. Now, you can hole punch the duct tape strip. DO NOT HOLE PUNCH INTO THE BAG! Then put it into your 3-ring binder. Use this bag to store items you will be using for your lapbook. Glue, scissors, hole puncher, stapler and extra staples, crayons, pencils, brads, ribbon, and any unfinished work. Doing this one step keeps you from having to constantly gather supplies every time you want to work on your lapbook!

Layout of booklets in each folder

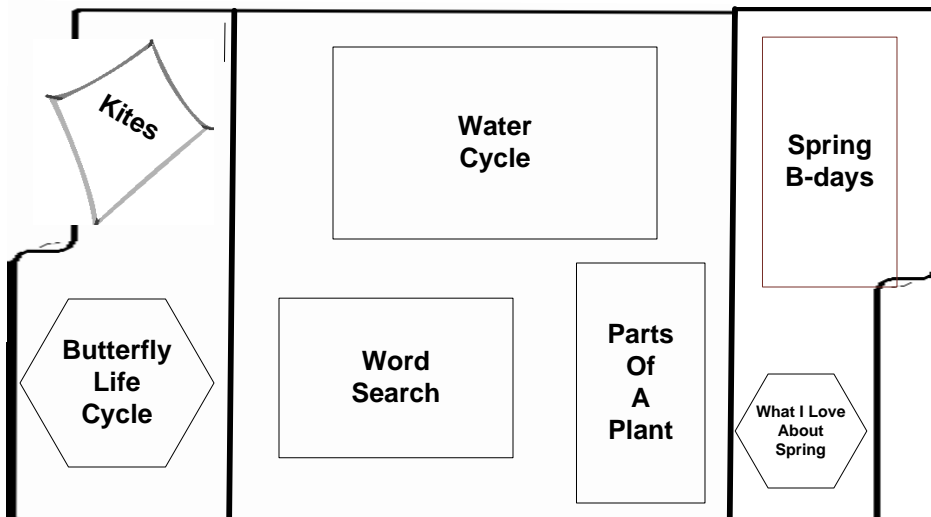
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Folder 2



Folder 3



A decorative border surrounds the text, featuring various colorful flowers (yellow, purple, blue, orange, red) and ribbons (purple, yellow, blue) in different shapes and sizes.

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Complete the scene-

It is spring and this man is working in his garden. Complete the garden scene by adding flowers, grass, bees, birds, shrubs, a sun, watering can, and anything else you would like to add! Have fun and be creative! Cut off this piece and glue scene onto front of lapbook.

Spring

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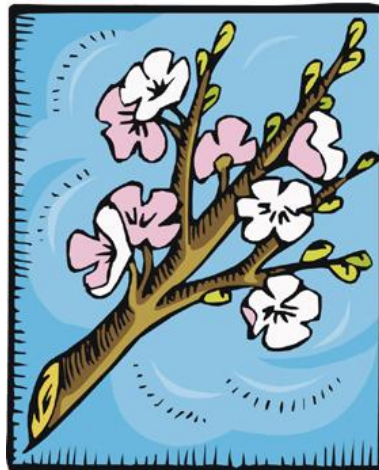


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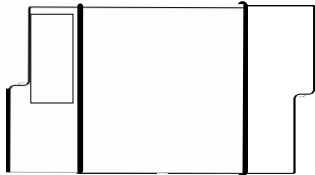
Spring is one of the four seasons. Spring marks the transition from winter into summer. In the Northern Hemisphere, spring usually begins on March 20 and ends June 21.

In the Southern Hemisphere, spring usually begins on September 21 and ends December 21. As spring approaches, the Earth's axis tilts toward the sun and the length of daylight grows longer. The winter snow begins melting and temperatures begin rising.

The first signs of spring are easy to identify. It begins with the first glimpse of a blossoming bud, the building of a new bird's nest, the smell of fresh rains, and the laughter of children flying their first kite. Spring is seen as a time of new life and growth for both plants and animals.



Folder 1



Read When is Spring and How Do We Know It Has Arrived?

Cut out each piece. Stack them on top of each other according to length with title page on front and staple at the top.

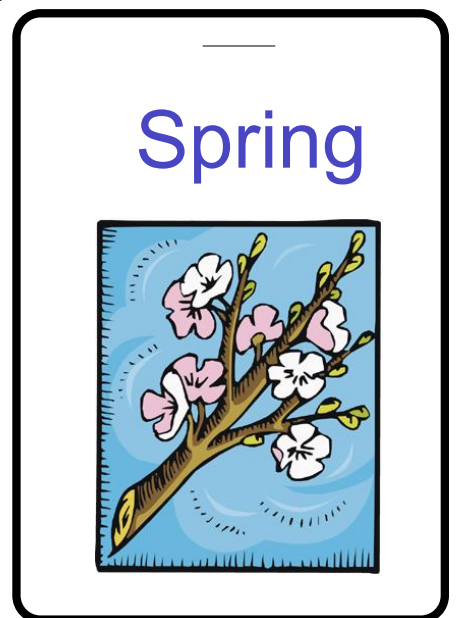
Directions: Answer the questions.

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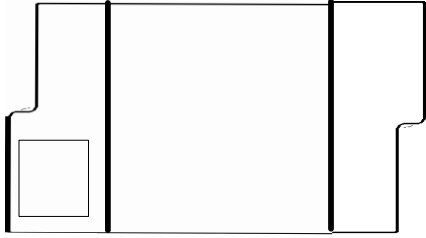
What are the first signs of spring?

When does spring begin and end in the Northern Hemisphere?

As spring approaches, how does the Earth tilt?



Folder 1



Cut out both pieces. Hamburger fold larger piece in half. Glue answer piece inside of larger piece. Glue into lapbook.

Direction: Have fun!

What season is it when you are on a trampoline?



Spring-Time!

St. Patrick's Day

Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated on March 17th each year. It is in honor of the patron saint of Ireland. Saint Patrick was born about 385 A.D. in Northern Wales. He is credited with bringing Christianity to the Irish by teaching in Ireland for 29 years. The symbols for St. Patrick's Day are the shamrock, leprechauns, and the color green.



April Fool's Day

April Fool's Day is celebrated on April 1st of each year. No one knows how this holiday really began. Some believe it began as a celebration of the first day of spring. The first recorded date of a holiday is 1582, in France. Many say that the tradition of playing jokes on others began during a time when communication of news was delivered by foot. Because communication was slow, many people did not know that a new calendar had been put into use. Those people who continued to celebrate on the 1st were labeled as "fools." They were subject to pranks and often mean spirited jokes. Eventually, this joke playing spread to England and Scotland. Later, this tradition followed the colonists to the new world.



Easter

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and runs for 46 days ending on Easter. Within these days, several religious holidays are also celebrated. Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. It is always the last week of Lent. Holy Thursday is also held that same week. It honors the Last Supper, which was eaten with Jesus and his twelve disciples on the night before his crucifixion. The night of His death is marked as Good Friday. Three days later, Christ was resurrected from the dead. This miraculous event is celebrated around the world as Easter Sunday. The date of Easter is determined by the first full moon after the first day of spring.

Passover

Passover is the celebration of the exodus of the Israelites from the bondage of Egypt. The Bible tells us that Moses was told by God to demand the freedom of the Israelites from Pharaoh. After Pharaoh did not obey the command, God sent ten terrible plagues on the people of Egypt. The plagues were blood, frogs, lice, flies, cattle disease, boils, hail, locusts, darkness, and the slaying of the first-born. It is the last plague, the slaying of the first-born, that God ordered all the Israelites to put blood on their doorposts. This mark let the angel know to pass them over. With the death of his son, Pharaoh finally let them free. Once free, they set out across the hot desert. As they reached the Red Sea in front of them, they noticed that Pharaoh's army was behind them. Trapped between the two, God instructed Moses to stretch out his hand. As he did, the waters parted allowing them to walk across on dry land. When they reached the other side, Pharaoh's army tried to follow them. Just as they reached the middle of the sea, God covered them with the sea and drowned them. On the first two nights of the eight-day celebration of Passover, this wonderful story is retold. After the story, families gather for a meal known as Seder. During this meal, special plates, utensils, and even food are used.

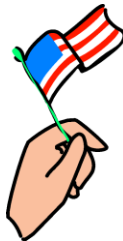
Mother's Day

Mother's Day is a holiday celebrated all around the world. It is a day set aside to give honor to the endless love that mothers give. Many believe that the holiday began with the ancient Greek custom of worshipping the great mother of Greek gods. The festival was celebrated around the Vernal Equinox. Later the Romans began a day called the Ides of March. It was held on the 18 of March. Another holiday began by the ancient Romans was called Matronalia. It was held in honor of Juno. The idea of giving gifts began with the god Juno. Romans would bring items to "give" to her. It is not clear when or how the tradition found its way to America. Today, we celebrate Mother's Day on the second Sunday in May.

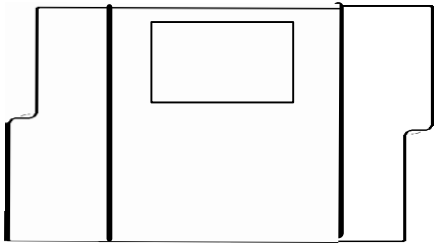


Memorial Day

Memorial Day is a United States Federal holiday observed on the last Monday of May. It commemorates U.S. men and women who died for their country while serving in the military. The holiday was first introduced to honor the Union soldiers of the Civil War. After WWI, it was rewritten to include any war that had military deaths.



Folder 1



Read the correct holiday page that goes with the booklet.

Cut out each piece. Stack with title page on top and tabs in order.

Directions: Then write about the holidays listed on each tab.



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