Many of my students are homeschooled. I homeschooled my children. Here are some things that worked for us:

**OG Reading and Spelling programs:**

<https://bartonreading.com/video/homeschool-advice/>  --Susan Barton has the best videos on the market to speak to parents. I highly recommend you both watch her “What is Dyslexia?” video too.

[Barton Reading and Spelling](https://bartonreading.com/) would cover complete language arts while he is learning to read and spell. Although you can hire a tutor, a parent/family member/friend could teach your student. I would add some interesting books that you read aloud to your student or he listens to by audio.

<https://store.wilsonlanguage.com/wilson-reading-system/> -the new edition offers more guidance in teaching. I recommend training in OG or taking the Wilson Reading introduction course offered over the summer in San Fransisco.

<https://athome.readinghorizons.com/> -Orton Gillingham, Reading Horizons offers a combo program with printed material and online student account. You can try the online for one month for a small fee.

<https://pridereadingprogram.com/pride-program/> -OG, has a placement test, claims to be easy to teach and for children of all ages

**Curriculum for phonemic awareness and sequencing:**

For emergent readers and those who need instruction in phonemic awareness

* [Road to the Code](https://www.amazon.com/Road-Code-Phonological-Awareness-Children/dp/1557664382)
* [Phonological Awareness Fun Park](https://www.superduperinc.com/products/view.aspx?pid=gb215#.XjpDXGhKjIW)
* Barton Levels 1 – 2 (if planning on using another OG curriculum)

Specifically for those who cannot pass part 3 of the [Barton Student Screening](https://bartonreading.com/students/#ss) (phonemic sequencing)

* Lindamood Phonemic Sequencing (LiPS)
* [Foundations in Sounds](https://www.foundationinsounds.com/) (pre-Barton) can be a stand-alone curriculum for emergent readers

**For math,** many of my students and I used

 <https://mathusee.com/> or  <http://www.singaporemath.com/Homeschool_s/60.htm>

or <http://www.teachingtextbooks.com/>

**For history**, make this fun and interesting. History is just about telling about the past and connecting it to the present. You do not need to test in history; oral narration works well to test understanding. Timelines and coloring maps work well for all ages. Older students who are past Book 4 in Barton may be ready to write about their understanding using voice to text.

**For science,** there are a lot of fun, hands-on approaches to science. Like history, you do not need to test on anything he is learning in science. Homeschool Coops and charters often have fun science classes. Here are some ideas if no class is available. You do not even need to cover science as a formal subject before 8th grade. Science is all around us. Just go to the zoo and then study an animal of his choice. <https://www.sonlight.com/homeschool/subjects/science/>

**Once your student has gained some reading and spelling independence:** finished Book 4 in Barton Reading and Spelling, Step 6 in Wilson Reading, or working with long vowel sounds and multisyllable words in any OG curriculum, I recommend adding <https://iew.com/intro-iew> **Teaching Writing: Structure and Style (teacher) and Student Writing Intensive (student) for your child’s grade.** The DVDs program allows your students to work at their pace.

**Always have a read-aloud going.**

*Reading aloud to a child builds a background of experience, vocabulary, syntax, and comprehension. It also builds a life-long love for literature and learning, providing children with a framework to understanding narratives*—Thomas Gunning, 2010

There are so many benefits to reading aloud to your children in any language. Your child can most likely appreciate and understand at a higher level than he or she can read. Reading aloud to your child or providing quality books in audio, allow your child to enjoy literature at their intellect and interest level. In choosing appropriate books, consider the age span, listening level, and interests of your children. A few read alouds our family has enjoyed are *A Family Under the Bridge* by Natalie Savage Carlson (RA: K-5th) \**, The Best ~~worst~~ Christmas Pageant Ever* by Barbara Robinson (RA: 3rd -8th)*, Cheaper by the Dozen* by Gilbreth (RA: 3rd-adult)*, The Great Turkey Walk* by Karr (RA: 1st-advanced), *In Grandma’s Attic* by Richardson (RA: K-advanced), and so many more.

\* Read aloud (RA) suggestions are indicated in parenthesis by grade level.

For suggestions visit <http://www.sonlight.com/read-alouds.html> and <http://modernmrsdarcy.com/2014/06/40-favorite-audiobooks-kids/#_a5y_p=1837688>.

Audiobooks can be found at <https://www.getepic.com/>

Many of the books suggested are available in libraries or make great additions to your home library.

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