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**The Gold Rush**

# The Homeschooling Idea Book (The Gold Rush)

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This book is a 5 page sample of my 44 page Gold Rush Ideas Book.  
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**Welcome** to **The Homeschooling Ideas Book**- your guide to the best resources, ideas and products available for themed unit studies or strewing.

## Gold Rush Edition

This edition covers great resources that you can use to inspire your children when studying the gold rush of California (1848–1855).

This fascinating period in history allows you to cover lots of interesting subjects - from history and geography to science and mining.

This Ideas Book takes a wide view of the subject so you can build a comprehensive unit study that springboards into several topics.



## Top Tips

This Ideas Book is meant to give you an insight into the many resources available to you in studying subjects around the Californian Gold Rush.

Where possible I have tried to include an age range for each resource. Please use this as a rough guideline - you know your children better than me! Sometimes a younger child can enjoy an older resource - and some of the picture books are so lovely that even older children (and adults!) will enjoy them.

# Geology

As well as looking specifically at the geology of California you could extend the project to study geology in general. Crystal kits and dig-your-own-rock kits are available at Science stores (and Amazon). Two nice kits are the **GeoCentral Excavation Dig Kit - Treasures Of The Earth** and **Break Your Own Geodes High Quality Kit** by Gem Center

## Ages 5 and Up

- Let's Go Rock Collecting by Roma Gans
- Rocks and Minerals from DK Publishing
- The Magic School Bus - Inside the Earth by Joanna Cole.

## Ages 9 and Up

- Geology Crafts For Kids: 50 Nifty Projects to Explore the Marvels of Planet Earth by Alan Anderson
- Geology Rocks!: 50 Hands-On Activities to Explore the Earth by Cindy Blobaum

- DK Publishing produce an Ultimate Sticker book on Rocks and Minerals.
- Dover produce a Rocks and Minerals Coloring Book.



# Conclusion

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