

Curriculum & Learning Plan

For West Virginia Hope Scholarship families and homeschool portfolios

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1 • STUDENT INFORMATION

STUDENT NAME

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP ID

PARENT / GUARDIAN

GRADE LEVEL

SCHOOL YEAR

DATE

2 • SUBJECT AREA(S)

World Geography

Map reading, continents, capitals, borders, place-based study.

World History & Social Studies

Civilizations, historical figures and events, cultures and traditions.

Economics & Financial Literacy

Currency, value, and exchange, taught through real historical coins and banknotes.

Reading & Language Arts

Informational-text reading, vocabulary, writing and reflection.

3 • SCOPE & OVERVIEW (EDUCATIONAL GOALS)

Coin & Currency Club is a hands-on, year-long program that teaches world geography, history, culture, and economics through authentic primary-source artifacts. Each month the student studies a different country using genuine historical coins and banknotes, a detailed map, an illustrated country guide, recipe and culture cards, a guided mini-documentary, and the printable **World Explorer Activity Pack**. Each unit covers the country's economic facts, its history, its important destinations and landmarks, and the notable figures pictured on its money. Over a full year the student completes twelve country units and builds a tangible archive demonstrating sustained learning in geography, history, and cultural understanding: a natural fit for West Virginia homeschool portfolios and annual assessments. The program requires no preparation and adapts to the student's grade level and pace.

Standards alignment. Units support the **National Geography Standards** ("Geography for Life"), the **NCSS C3 Framework** for social-studies inquiry, and **Common Core ELA** informational-text reading, adaptable to the family's specific learning objectives.

4 • SEQUENCE & METHOD OF TEACHING

The monthly learning cycle

Each month follows the same guided sequence, applied to that month's country. The included **World Explorer Activity Pack** structures the lesson into three activities plus a year-long tracking page. A typical unit takes **45 to 90 minutes** and is self-paced.

Activity 1 • My Country Passport

GEOGRAPHY • ~15 MIN

Objective: locate the country and record its capital, continent, language(s), and currency; observe and draw the flag and a coin or banknote from your Country Documents. **Uses:** map, country guide, coins & banknotes.

Activity 2 • Currency Detective

ECONOMICS • HISTORY • ~15 MIN

Objective: examine the real money: identify the figures and symbols pictured, interpret what they reveal about the country, estimate its value in US dollars, and note its age. Builds economic literacy and primary-source analysis. **Uses:** coins & banknotes, country guide.

Activity 3 • Think Like a Traveler

CULTURE • WRITING • ~15 MIN

Objective: reflect and write: compare daily life to the student's own, describe what the money taught them, and pose a question to investigate. Develops cultural understanding and written expression. **Uses:** country guide, recipe & culture cards, mini-documentary.

My Passport Stamps

PORTFOLIO • ASSESSMENT

Objective: record each country and month across the year, building a 12-country portfolio that serves as an ongoing record of learning and a natural assessment of progress. **Uses:** Activity Pack tracking page.

Worked example, Italy: locate Italy and its capital (Passport); examine the euro, identify the figures and landmarks pictured and their value (Currency Detective); read the country guide, watch the mini-documentary, and write how Italian daily life compares to your own (Think Like a Traveler); add Italy to the passport page. Every country follows this same structure.

5 · MATERIALS & HOW EACH SUPPORTS THE CURRICULUM

Supplemental materials nexus

Each item in the monthly Country Documents is required by the curriculum above and is used directly in the learning sequence. The coins and banknotes are authentic historical pieces. Nearly all are no longer in circulation, so they are study artifacts rather than spendable currency:

MATERIAL	CURRICULUM PURPOSE	USED IN
Authentic historical coins & banknotes	Primary sources for economics, financial literacy, history & symbolism. Historical pieces, nearly all no longer in circulation	Currency Detective; My Country Passport
Detailed country map	Geography: location, borders, capitals, physical features	My Country Passport
Illustrated country guide	History, culture & informational-text reading	All activities
Recipe & culture cards	Cultural studies & hands-on enrichment	Think Like a Traveler
Guided mini-documentary	Visual geography & cultural context	Think Like a Traveler
World Explorer Activity Pack	Structured lesson method, worksheets & portfolio	The full monthly sequence

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