Charlotte Mason and Her Methods

Charlotte Mason in History

A.D. 1801—1900 19th Century A.D. 1801—1900 19th Century

1860-1870 U. S. Civil War

Louis Pasteur invents pasteurization
"In God We Trust" on U. S. coins
Atlantic cable completed
Livingstone explores Africa

1870-1880 Great Chicago Fire

Alexander Graham Bell invents telephone Edison invents phonograph Electric street lights in London

1880-1890 First Sherlock Holmes story

1890-1900 Henry Ford builds his first car

Claude Debussy Charles Dickens Abraham Lincoln

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Mark Twain

Lewis Carroll Rudyard Kipling Schubert Monet Degas

Strauss "Blue Danube" waltz

Louisa May Alcott "Uncle Tom's Cabin"
Laura Ingalls Wilder "Little Women"
Tchaikovsky "Red Badge of Courage"
Jules Verne Little House series

"Sarah Plain and Tall"

Charles Darwin
Karl Marx
Helen Keller

Robert Louis Stevenson Booker T. Washington

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20th Century

1901-1910 Wright Brothers' first successful flight (1903)

Queen Victoria dies; Edward VII king

A.D. 1901-2000

First British submarine

London Symphony Orchestra's first concert London hosts Olympic Games

First motor buses in London The Titanic sinks (1912)

1911-1920 King Edward VII dies; George V king

Panama Canal Halley's comet World War I (1914–1918)

Russian Revolution (1917-1923)

1921-1930 Howard Carter discovers Tutankhamen's tomb

Theodore Roosevelt Beatrix Potter James Barrie – "Peter Pan" Winston Churchill Frank Lloyd Wright, architect

Lucy Maud Montgomery - "Anne of Green Gables"

Albert Einstein

Student's Motto
I am, I can, I ought, I will.

Parent's Motto

Education is an atmosphere, a discipline, a life.

To a Skylark
By William Wordsworth

Ethereal minstrel! Pilgrim of the sky! Dost thou despise the earth where cares abound? Or, while the wings aspire, are heart and eye Both with thy nest upon the dewy ground?

Thy nest which thou canst drop into at will, Those quivering wings composed, that music still!

Leave to the nightingale her shady wood; A privacy of glorious light is thine, Whence thou dost pour upon the world a flood Of harmony, with instinct more divine;

Type of the wise who soar, but never roam; True to the kindred points of Heaven and Home!

Charlotte Mason Methods

Subjects	Methods
Basic Principles for All	Short lessons; habits of attention and perfect
Subjects	execution; varied order of subjects
History	Living books; narration; Book of Centuries
Geography	Living books; narration; map drill
Bible	Read aloud; narration (discussion for older students); memorize and recite regularly
Math	Manipulatives, understanding of why
Science	Nature study and notebook; living books; narration
Foreign Languages	Hear and speak, then read and write
Writing	Copywork for handwriting; oral and written narration for composition
Spelling	Prepared dictation
Grammar	Not formally studied until older than ten
Art	Picture study for art appreciation; handicrafts; nature notebooks for drawing and painting
Music	Music study for music appreciation; any instrumental instruction; singing
Literature	Living books; narration
Poetry	Read aloud and enjoy frequently; memorize and recite occasionally (include Shakespeare)

Books about Charlotte Mason and Her Methods

Free E-books to download

*Education Is an Atmosphere, a Discipline, a Life (www.SimplyCharlotteMason.com)

*Getting Started in Homeschooling (www.SimplyCharlotteMason.com)

Masterly Inactivity (www.SimplyCharlotteMason.com)

Smooth and Easy Days (about habits; www.SimplyCharlotteMason.com)

A Thinking Love (www.SimplyCharlotteMason.com)

Plus . . .

A Charlotte Mason Companion by Karen Andreola

*A Charlotte Mason Education by Catherine Levison

and its sequel More Charlotte Mason Education

Charlotte Mason Study Guide by Penny Gardner

For the Children's Sake by Susan Schaeffer Macaulay

Original Home Schooling Series: (Charlotte's own writings; free online)

*Home Education

Parents and Children

*School Education

Ourselves

Formation of Character

*A Philosophy of Education

Pocketful of Pinecones by Karen Andreola (CM methods applied in a living story) and its sequel Lessons at Blackberry Inn

The Story of Charlotte Mason by Essex Cholmondley (out of print biography)

When Children Love to Learn by Elaine Cooper (classroom focus)

(*Start with these)

Good Sources for Living Books

All Through the Ages by Christine Miller (www.NothingNewPress.com)

Ambleside Online (www.AmblesideOnline.org)

Beautiful Feet catalog (www.bfbooks.com)

CM Bookfinder (www.SimplyCharlotteMason.com)

Greenleaf Press (www.GreenleafPress.com)

A Literary Education by Catherine Levison (www.CharlotteMasonEducation.com)

Penny Gardner's book lists (www.PennyGardner.com)

Queen Homeschool Supply (www.QueenHomeschool.com)

TruthQuest History series by Michelle Miller (www.TruthQuestHistory.com)

Yesterday's Classics (www.YesterdaysClassics.com)