

WEAVINGS

LIVING HISTORY

What is *Weavings*?

Living History Weavings is a 5th and 6th grade history and geography curriculum that follows *Living History Threads*. In each year of *Weavings* students focus on three world regions, studying history, geography, culture, and the story of Christianity in each region. Students also read two biographies each year. *Living History Weavings* introduces students to people from around the globe and teaches key skills for reading history in the process.

The Content

Living History Weavings is unique in its focus on non-Western regions of the world. This reflects the realities of our world and the values we hope to develop in students.

- ◆ Reality: More people live in the regions taught in *Weavings* than live in the Western world. Students should learn the story of these people who influence the world and the church.
- ◆ Reality: In an interconnected world, our students will likely develop global relationships in their neighborhoods and through travel, business, and missions. Knowledge of others helps break down barriers.
- ◆ Reality: The task of making disciples of all nations, and the fact that many unreached people are in the regions students will be studying make this content strategic.
- ◆ Value: We desire to develop students as people who see their citizenship in God's Kingdom as primary before their citizenship in an earthly nation. Studying these world regions reinforces the transnational focus we want to foster.
- ◆ Value: We seek to grow in students the character of Christ, who understood people's needs and had compassion on them. Studying people different from themselves helps students develop appreciation for other people and cultures.

Distinctive Characteristics

1. **Portfolio**—Each unit is built around a portfolio in which students interact with lesson materials.
2. **Living books and stories** are an important form of content. Students read and hear informative and formative stories (stories that build values consistent with the Christian worldview).
3. **Multiple strands of content**—Each level covers history, geography, culture, missions, and church history
4. **Key content** guides learning by providing clearly defined knowledge for mastery.
5. **Critical thinking**—Students discuss questions of cause and effect, change over time, culture, and Christian responsibility.
6. **Unit project**—Each unit incorporates a project which broadens or deepens student learning.
7. **Picture-rich content** provided through PowerPoint slides engages students and deepens understanding.
8. **Map and timeline activities** orient the learning experience in place and time.
9. **Church history**, including **Anabaptist history**, receives emphasis.
10. **Primary documents** develop historical analysis and enrich student learning.
11. **Multi-grade classrooms** ready and serves various **learning styles**
12. **Biographical content**—Two biographies/memoirs each year give the students a deeper exposure to people, time periods, and geographical regions.

Units in *Weavings*

Level 5 6	Weeks	Lessons	Level 6 5	Weeks	Lessons
China	8	32	Russia and Eastern Europe	8	32
Japan, Korea, and Southeast Asia	8	32	Africa	8	32
India	8	32	The Middle East	8	32
Biography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Ida Scudder</i> ◆ <i>Patrick of Ireland</i> 	8	32	Biography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Seeing Fingers</i> ◆ <i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i> 	8	32
Total	32	128	Total	32	128

Availability

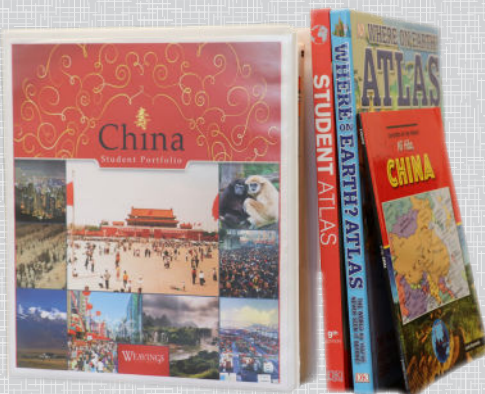
Living History Weavings, Level 5| 6 is currently in the final stages of development. We plan to begin accepting orders this spring and will ship materials this summer. The first 100 schools ordering *Weavings* will receive a significant discount.

For more information, or to be notified when *Weavings* is available for purchase, contact Christian Learning Resource.

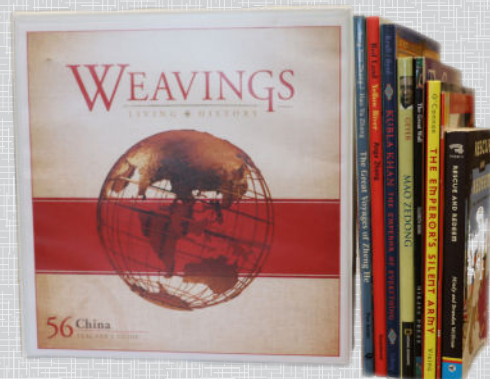
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Thank you!

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Student materials for the China unit



Teacher materials for the China unit