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## *Homeschool Tips*

Let's Make Homeschool Great Again! Here are just a few great tips from our sisters in the body who homeschool various ages of child(ren). We can always benefit in making our homeschooling experience better and simpler.

No matter if you have one child or 5, there is always something to benefit and learn about homeschooling. In this truth we have this network of sisters who have a lot of advice or hacks that work best for them. These are sure a few great women who have shared homeschooling tips that work well for them.

Her son is Zion Kani Israel, who is 3 years old.



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## Naomi's Homeschooling Tips

### **Utilize recourses in your area**

There are governments agencies that offer free homeschooling curriculum online and in person for toddlers and school aged children.

I have signed up with a program in my area called “Hippy” each month they provide me with toddler-based curriculum, books & supplies all free. Always research & use your local resources!

### **Make your learning space inviting**

Add posters , numbers & lots of colors

Have as many learning visuals as you can. ( most can be found at target & dollar tree)

### **Set a timer on your phone for the homeschooling portion of your day.**

You can set a timer for math, reading , art etc. this will help you stay organized and assist with time management.

### **No Phone Zone**

Technology is a huge part of our lives in this day and age but be sure to pay full attention to your little one during your homeschooling time. Paying attention to what they are doing will help your child stay on track , if they know you aren't paying attention they will be less likely to focus . Turn your ringer on so you can still hear your phone in case you have any important calls or notifications.

### **Lastly, include song ( instruments) & dance into your lessons.**

For example, covering your abc's? Let your child clap or shake a tambourine to liven things up A bit ! Songs will help the information stick with your child

Homeschooling is A special bonding opportunity for you and your little one. Have fun with them and create memories 😊

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## Sa'rah's Homeschooling Tips

Tzipporah is in her 2nd year of college now at 16. I homeschooled her; Tobias 14 in 7th grade; Za'hara 4 in 1st grade; Tekoa 3 in K; Leah 1 in pre-k.



Homeschooling your child is one of the most rewarding ways to raise them in this truth. You have the ability to directly influence and guide them in righteousness without reprogramming and deprogramming their minds every day. The home school community throughout IUIC is beneficial in aiding with the various challenges that come with providing higher and better education for your child. The role as an educator and parent requires patience and organization in order to be successful. Below are 3 ways to help start or improve your homeschooling journey:

### ORGANIZATION IS KEY

One of the keys to success in homeschooling is organizing your curriculum and creating structure for your child. Children thrive on repetition and a set order of predictable tasks. As a parent, it is your responsibility to set a routine that includes lots of FUN learning, rules and responsibilities, and progressive growth. So what are the best methods? Honestly, there isn't one set method that will work for every child. Some children thrive on "seeing" the next order of events in pictures or written on a board. Others do well with verbal cues and just like to go with the flow. Older children may like agendas or notebooks that detail what they should be doing to stay on task each day. Whatever method you use, be sure it fits your child's learning style and keeps them excited throughout the day. Next, ensure you have a folder for each week with the work you will be teaching. You can prepare month to month or week by week depending on your family schedule. Review the weekly material you will be teaching and prep any projects or hands on activities in advance. It seems tiring just thinking about it, but home school prepping will

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become easier each week and will definitely help with distractions and idle time throughout the day.

### **MAKE LEARNING FUN**

Have you ever sat in a class for hours and by the time you left, realized you were spaced out in your head more than actually paying attention to the material being taught? I can assure you, if you are monotone and boring your child will never learn. The more engaged you are the more invested your child will become. Provide balance for your child by incorporating “on your feet” learning, “stay in your seat” learning, loud shouting, inside voice, and other teaching methods that will enhance their learning. Add weekly projects to your curriculum and LET THE MAKE A MESS!! The best way to teach your child is through repetition, consistency, and memorable etching; that is, etching your child’s brain with specific positive memories that will help them grasp the material for a long time. Projects are the best way to achieve memorable etching and allows you to hit every style of learning for maximum success.

### **BE ENGAGED AND BE INVESTED**

If you are that parent that sees learning and teaching your child as a burden, something too hard to accomplish, or rely solely on Esau and television, then you will never succeed as an educator to the greatest child(ren) on this earth. Teaching has to be just as exciting to you as you want learning to be to them. Even if that means you have to fake it till you make it. ALL children operate the same in this regard: the more excited and invested they see you are, the more they will want to learn and see a side of you they may rarely get to see. When I teach my children I am so so extra. I exaggerate every sound and every movement and become overly excited...works every time. I’ll tell you a secret also, it doesn't matter how old they get, THEY LOVE IT!! My oldest child is completing her second year of college and she is only 16. When she comes to me for help in explaining material to her, I am still very extra and she never fails to smile while learning. Bottom line up front, you have to want the best for your child and be willing to do what is required as their mother to guide them to greatness. No one should be more invested in their education than you!

Parenting and educating your child requires work and discipline from you! If you half do your job, then don’t be surprised when your child struggles to reach greatness. You should be their number one cheerleader and guide. Organize yourself, make learning fun for your child and invest in their education. Do your part in building the most intelligent young people on this earth and raise them in righteousness. If you don’t enjoy your job as a teacher and parent, remember all the sisters that will gladly take your place and nurture these children the way we were designed to nurture them. Stop allowing the most base people to be the only teacher your child knows. MAKE HOMESCHOOLING GREAT AGAIN!!

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