

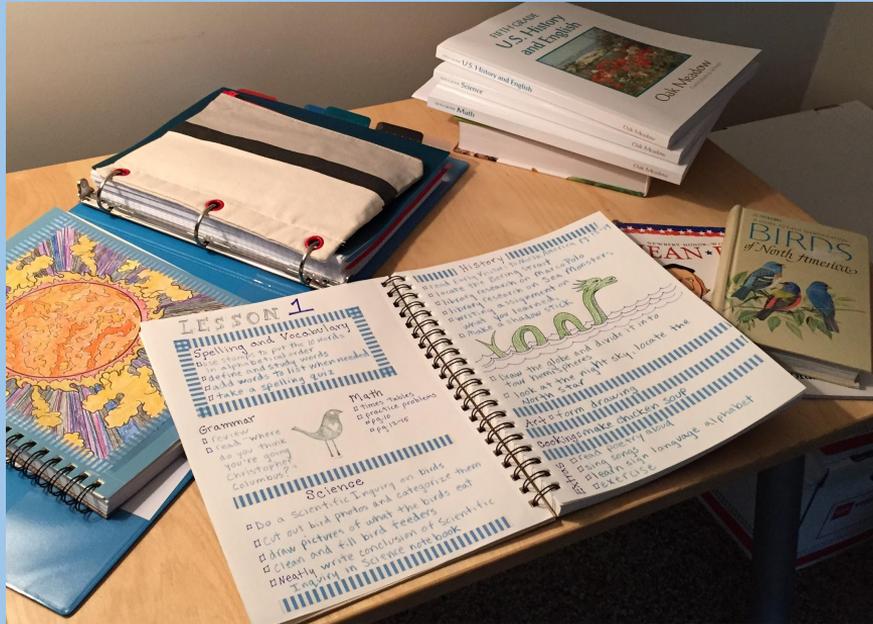
# Main Lesson Books



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**Tips from Oak Meadow for Grades K-4**

# What is a Main Lesson Book ?



- A blank book filled with the student's drawings and writing
- A learning tool as well as documentation of the student's work
- A keepsake and souvenir to celebrate the student's growth

## Why Use Unlined Paper?

- Allows students to focus on the form of the letters
- Teaches students to visualize the page and to plan ahead
- Enhances spatial awareness and inner poise



## Ways to support the child's use of a blank page

- Provide color swaths
- Create a darker lined template placed behind the page
- Draw a dot at the left and right ends of the "line"

The Seminole Indians  
lived in the Florida Swamps.  
Their houses were built  
for the hot, wet  
climate. The house was  
open on all sides. It was  
built with poles,  
forming the frame and  
floor. Palm



## What is Contained in A MLB?

- Beautiful drawings and borders (slide 6)
- Colorful maps and diagrams
- Numbers and equations
- Vibrant geometric drawings
- Carefully formed writing (slide 7)
- Photos of larger projects (slide 5)
- Leaves and seeds collected for science studies, and much more



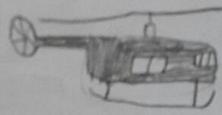
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animals with scales



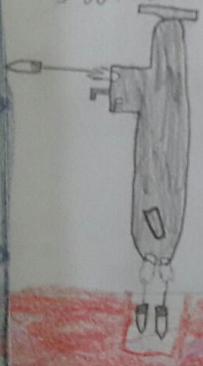
Helicopters -



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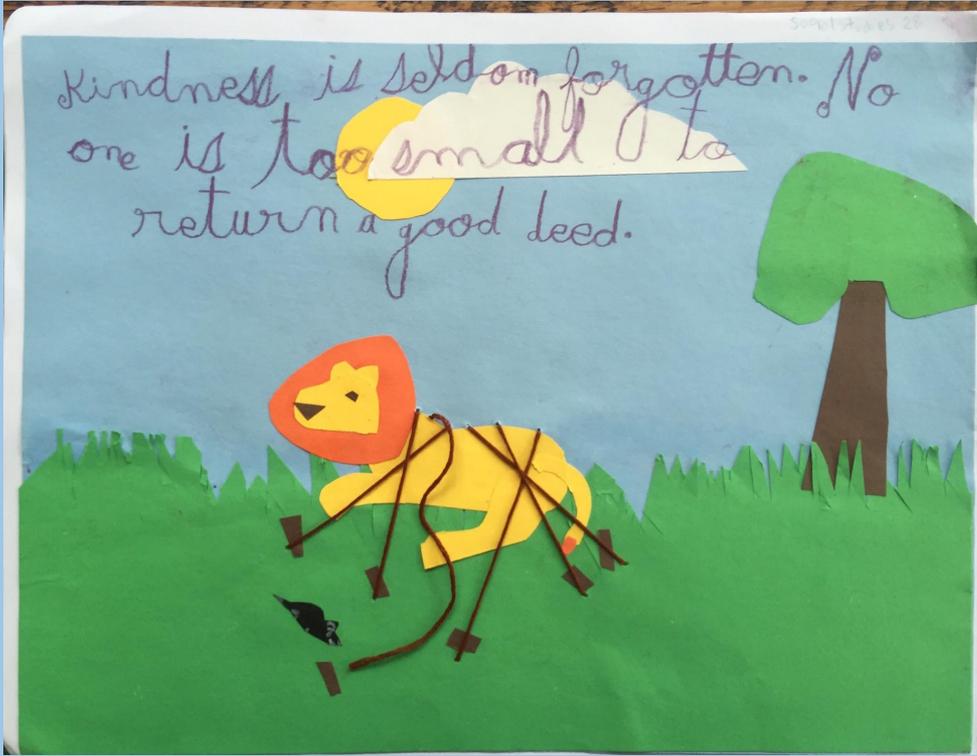
sticky burrs



Nature inspired designs

L. Arts 24  
I went to Columbia State Park.  
I ate chocolate dipped cherries  
and ~~hamb~~ dipped candles. It  
was fun!





- Instills the value of giving care and attention to their work

- A blank book becomes a beautiful form of personal artistic expression



## Main lesson book tips:

- Use the whole page
- Include a background



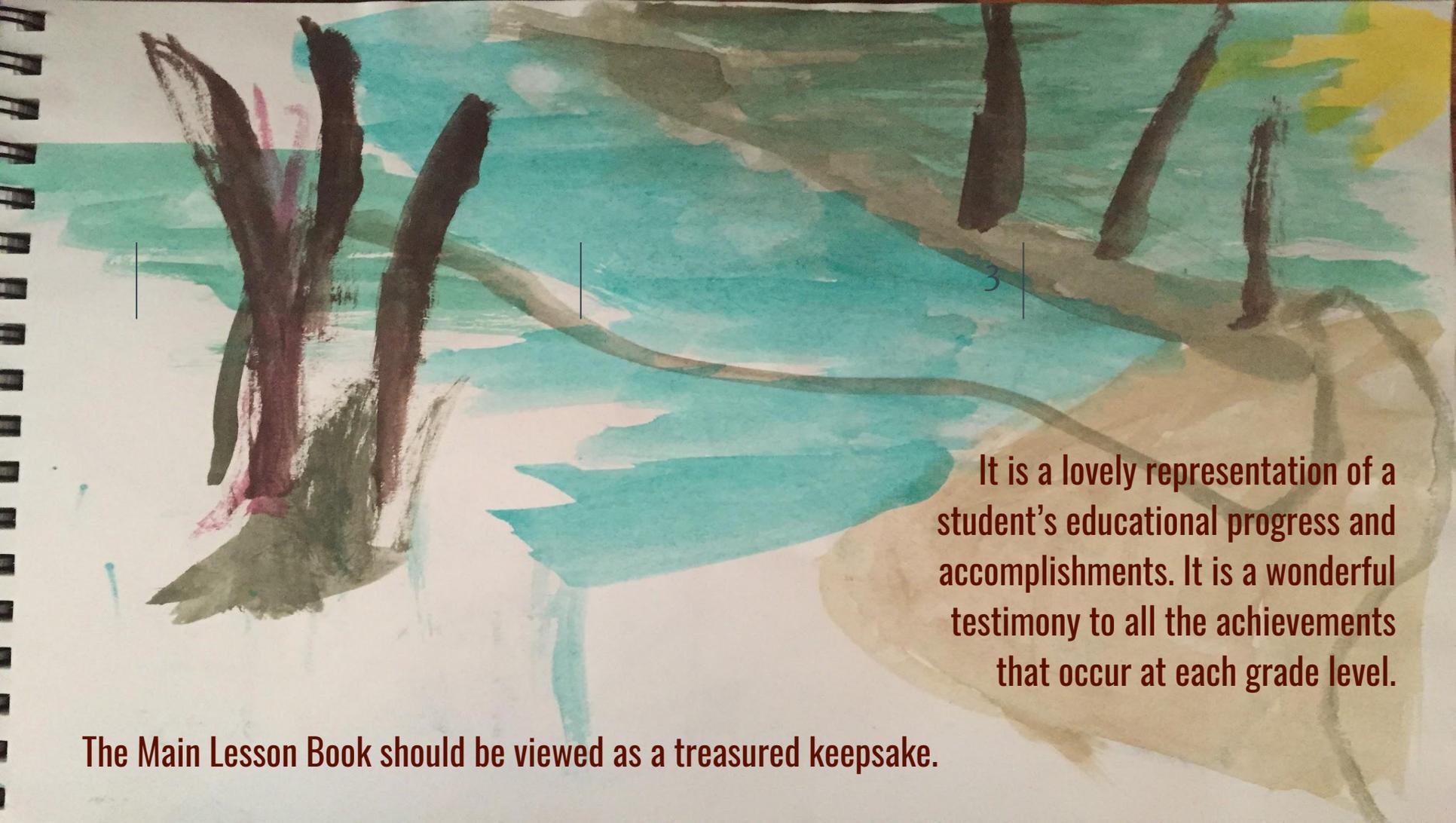


- Draw together
- Model the process
- Work side-by-side with your student

# Ask questions to inspire your child's greater attention to detail



- “What colors are in the cat’s fur?”
- “What kind of shoes does your prince have on?”
- “Does the woman have any patterns or colors in her dress?”
- “What would be in the background of a farm on the American frontier?”



It is a lovely representation of a student's educational progress and accomplishments. It is a wonderful testimony to all the achievements that occur at each grade level.

The Main Lesson Book should be viewed as a treasured keepsake.