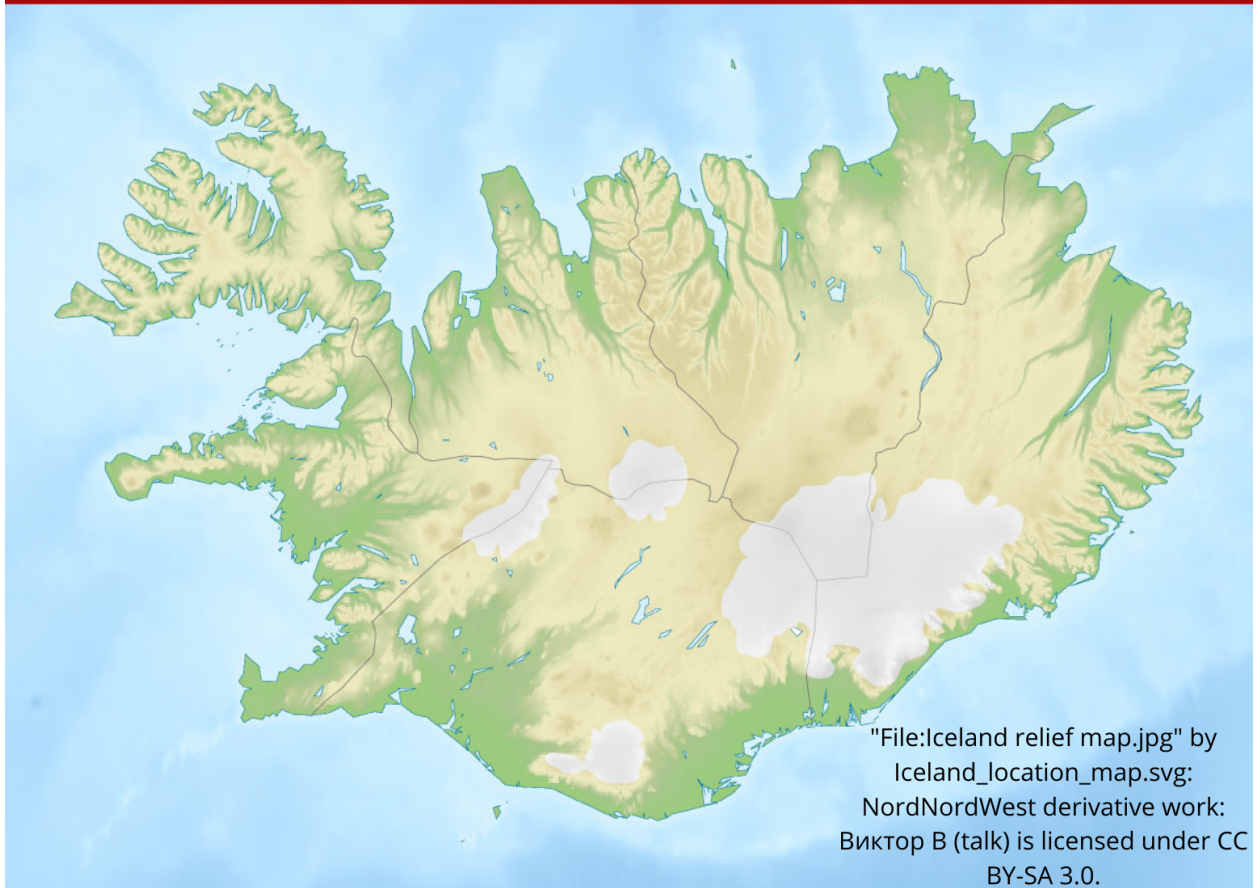


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I love creating unit studies to help provide a rich world to explore. I don't view learning as something finite, or that has an end, so I don't worry about finishing or doing everything. But I love finding a lot of resources for my kids to explore, without the worksheets or quizzes. If you're looking for worksheets, you're going to be disappointed, but if you want diverse lists of resources: books, movies, documentaries, TV shows, websites, and subscriptions, then this unit study is for you. Please do not feel that your child needs to read every book or watch every movie. There are picture books, comic books, early readers, and chapter books of various lengths, so some books will not be appropriate for your child. The same goes for the rest of the resources. Pick and choose what is available to you, what you think your child will enjoy, and what will help the unit study be successful for you. At the same time, don't be afraid to substitute; this is by no means an exhaustive list. Also note that the books can be read by the child, either in print or on an e-reader, read by the caregiver to the child, or listened to by the child as an audiobook. Whatever works for your child is okay.

Some subscriptions my family has used during our country unit studies, and what I think of them:

Miss Maisy's Tasty Travels - this is by far my favorite subscription we've gotten. It's a monthly letter that comes with four different recipes, each from a different country or location.

Little Passports - We got this for two years and kept everything, so you'll see I include it in some of the unit studies. It's not my favorite, but it might be a great fit for you. There is a letter, but also a worksheet and one recipe. Each month is from a different country and comes with a small toy or activity, and access to a website with more information about the country.

Around the World Stories - If you have auditory learners, this is excellent! Four ~30-minute stories from each of the countries they feature. However, they seem to have stopped creating new stories part way through Asia, so you might want to be cautious about purchasing the Asia stories.

Letters from Afar - we do not have this subscription service, but I have included them in my unit studies, as I have heard nothing but amazing things about them.

Parts Unknown is a TV show, and I really like it. There is some language, so you may want to pre-watch for young learners. It is available to purchase streaming rights on Amazon. It is mostly about food in different areas but also goes into some social and political issues.

Curiosity Stream is all documentaries, and they regularly have sales for just \$12/year! This is one of my family's favorite resources.

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Book List:

Title	Author	# Pgs	Illustrated	Fiction/ Nonfiction
Iceland	Wilcox, Jonathan	144	color	nonfiction
Iceland	Spanier, Kristine	24	color	nonfiction
Elska	Hapka, Cathy	113	yes	fiction
Welcome to Iceland	Hubbard, Ben	24	color	nonfiction
Life on Surtsey: Iceland's Upstart Island	Burns, Loree Griffin	73	color	nonfiction
Top-Secret Smackdown	Barnett, Mac	148	color	fiction
Journey Through Ash and Smoke	Messner, Kate	124	yes	fiction
Get a Hold of Your Elf!	Krulik, Nancy E.	140	yes	fiction
Thea Stilton and the Frozen Fiasco	Stilton, Thea	162	color	fiction
The Arctic Patrol Mystery	Dixon, Franklin	176	yes	fiction
Going Fishing	McMillan, Bruce	32	color	nonfiction
Volcanoes	Oxlade, Chris	55	color	nonfiction
How Does a Volcano Become an Island?	Tagliaferro, Linda	32	color	nonfiction
The Atlas Obscura Explorer's Guide for the World's Most Adventurous Kid	Thuras, Dylan	110	color	nonfiction
Crispin: The End of Time	Avi	223	no	fiction
The Falcon's Feather	Trueit, Trudi Strain	207	color	fiction
The Tragic Tale of the Great Auk	Thornhill, Jan	unpaged	color	nonfiction
Burial Rites	Kent, Hannah	322	no	fiction
Ice Land	Tobin, Betsy	354	no	fiction

Woman at 1,000 Degrees	Hallgrimur Helgason	391	no	fiction
Butterflies in November	Audur A. Olafsdottir	296	no	fiction
The Glass Woman	Lea, Caroline	517	no	fiction
The Girl Who Died	Ragnar Jonasson	300	no	fiction
The Darkness Knows	Arnaldur Indridason	338	no	fiction
The Hygge Life: Embracing the Nordic Art of Coziness Through Recipes, Entertaining, Decorating, Simple Rituals, and Family Traditions	Gunnar Karl Gislason	159	color	nonfiction
Scandinavia	Ham, Anthony	509	color	nonfiction
Snowblind: A Thriller	Ragnar Jonasson	310	no	fiction
The Pets	Bragi Olafsson	169	no	fiction
Hypothermia	Arnaldur Indridason	314	no	fiction
Dottir: My Journey to Becoming a Two-Time CrossFit Games Champion	Katrin Davidsdottir	282	color	nonfiction
The Shadow District	Arnaldur Indridason	344	no	fiction
The Legacy	Yrsa Sigurdardottir	455	no	fiction
Iceland	Averbuck, Alexis	447	color	nonfiction
Iceland: The Bradt Guide	Evans, Andrew	501	color	nonfiction
Iceland	Miller, Jennifer A	48	color	nonfiction
Iceland	Somervill, Barbara	144	color	nonfiction
Iceland	Orr, Tamra	32	color	nonfiction
Foods of Iceland	Sheen, Barbara	64	color	nonfiction

Cultural Traditions in Iceland	O'Brien, Cynthia	32	color	nonfiction
Scandinavian Folk & Fairy Tales: Tales From Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Iceland	Booss, Claire (editor)	666	yes	fiction
Volcano! (the Icelandic Eruption of 2010 & Other Hot, Smoky, Fierce, and Fiery Mountains)	Fradin, Judith Bloom	48	color	nonfiction
Half a Kingdom: An Icelandic Folktale	McGovern, Ann	41	yes	fiction
Autun and the Bear: An Old Icelandic Legend	Feagles, Anita MacRae	48	color	fiction

TV Shows:

Katla, rated TV-MA, sci-fi mystery series set in Iceland
The Valhalla Murders, rated TV-MA, murder mystery series

Possible Subscriptions:

Little Passports (month 22)

Movies:

Name	Length	Rating	Fun/Documentary
Will Iceland Poison the Skies?	42 mins	Gr 6-12	documentary
Love on Iceland	84 mins	NR	drama
Journey to the Center of the Earth	92 mins	PG	fun
Svanborg in Iceland	13 mins	NR	documentary
Ari Eldjarn: Pardon My Icelandic	54 mins	TV-MA	Comedian
Down To Earth, Episode 1: Iceland	46 mins	TV-PG	documentary
EuroVision, Song Contest: The Story of Fire Saga	123 mins	PG-13	fun
And Breathe Normally	102 mins	TV-14	drama

Documentaries from Curiosity Stream:

Big Picture Earth, E5: Iceland Glacier Lagoon
Viking Women, part 1: Sigrun's Wrath and the Discovery of Iceland
Eye in the Sky: Nordic Wonders, Part 1
A Day in the Life of Earth
How Climate Made History
The Vikings
The Power of Volcanos
Life on Fire, E1: Icelandic Volcanoes, Who is Next?
Entangled
Crash Course World History II E24: Vikings

Recipes:

Cocoa Soup
Kjotsupa (lamb soup)
Rugbraud (dark rye bread)
Flatkaka (rye flatbread)
Laufabraud (leaf bread)
Snudur (sweet bread)
Kleinur (twisted doughnut)
Pylsa (hot dog)
Hangikjot (smoked lamb)
Plokkfiskur (fish stew)
Humarsupa (lobster soup)
Hardfiskur (dried fish jerky)
Hakarl (fermented shark)
Hval (whale meats)
Skyr (yogurt/soft cheese)
Hrisgrjonagrautur (rice pudding)
Brunadar Karofler (caramelized potatoes)
Lakkris (chocolate wrapped licorice)
Ponnukokur (pancake)

Websites:

https://online.culturegrams.com/world/world_country.php?cid=73&cn=Iceland - a great resource for older students

<http://radio.garden/visit/iceland/vHmDLkOM> - listen to Iceland's radio stations!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ocE9DNZxPUk&ab_channel=GeographyNow

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8w6QVruxek&ab_channel=GeographyNow

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hiFutNU2dSQ&ab_channel=GeographyNow

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-QSAotqKqX8&ab_channel=GeographyNow

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/geography/countries/article/iceland>

<https://guidetoiceland.is/best-of-iceland/delicious-icelandic-recipes>

<https://wakeupreykjavik.com/traditional-icelandic-food>
<https://www.karlasnordickitchen.com/iceland/>
<https://www.visiticeland.com/>
<https://www.icelandtravel.is/>
<https://guidetoiceland.is/best-of-iceland/top-11-travel-tips-in-iceland>

Other Resources:

Iceland: The Eternal Music (CD)