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# HACKING HIGH SCHOOL

## Rethinking the Teen Years

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# Language Arts: High School

## Integration

- Speech & Debate and Mock Trial
- Logic, Rhetoric, Socratic Discussion
- Drama and Musical Theatre
- College  
(dual enrollment, AA degree)
- Teach Younger Children
- Start a Business
- Community Involvement  
(internships, campaigns, volunteer, missions)





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# Speech & Debate and Mock Trial

## Benefits

- Research skills
- Organization skills
- Positive culture
- Teamwork
- Learning to “go deep”
- Variety of events
- Tournaments!
- Confidence

## Resources

- **NCFCA** National Christian Forensics and Communications Association  
NCFCA.org
- **STOA** Christian Homeschool Speech and Debate  
StoaUSA.org
- **NSDA** National Speech & Debate Association  
speechanddebate.org
- **IEW Course** *Introduction to Public Speaking*  
IEW.com/IPS



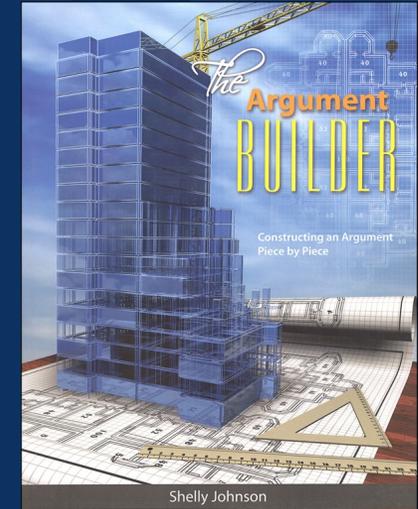
# Logic, Rhetoric, Socratic Discussion

## Benefits

- Not standard HS curriculum, but . . .
- Logic: thinking syllogistically
- Liberal Arts = “real education”
- Appreciation of great books
- Discussion: listening, questioning
- Learn with students

## Resources

- [Memoria Press](#)
- [Classical Academic Press](#)
- [Classical Conversations](#)
- [Cana Academy](#)  
canaacademy.org
- [CiRCE Institute](#)
- [IEW/Center for Lit Course](#)  
*Teaching the Classics*  
IEW.com/TTC-D



# Drama and Musical Theater

## Benefits

- Memory
- Teamwork
- Polish
- Confidence
- Motivation
- Joy
- Varied responsibilities, roles



# College (Dual Enrollment, AA Degree)

## Benefits

- Rigor (not so hard!)
- External accountability
- Still at home
- Save \$\$\$
- Adult “real” world
- Class options
- Safe/okay to drop
- Confidence
- Transferrable credits

## Resources

- **Unbound**  
beunbound.us
- **Christian Halls International (CHI)**  
christianhalls.org
- **Kepler Education (Roman Roads)**  
kepler.education
- **Classical Conversations Plus**
- **Local/Community Colleges or Online Dual Enrollment**
- **IEW Course SSS-1C**  
through CHI



# Teach Younger Children

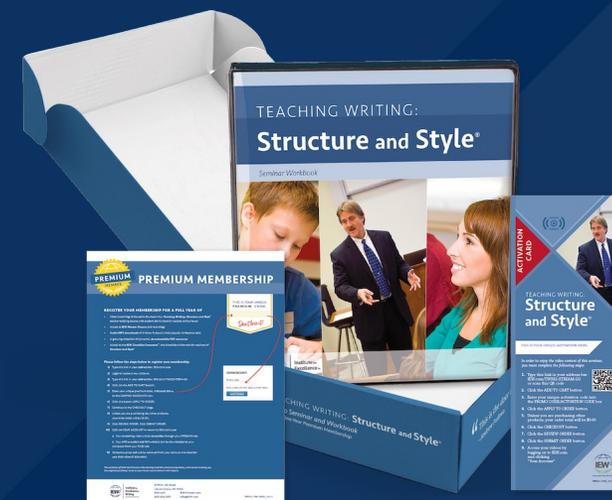
## Benefits

- Learn best!
- Choose favorite thing
- Planning, responsibility
- Income
- Service to community
- Great on résumé

Writing, art, music, math,  
literature (book club),  
language, cooking, etc.

## Resources

- **Online**
- **Home**
- **Co-op**
- **Church group**
- **Missions**
- **Small private schools (volunteer)**
- *Teaching Writing: Structure and Style*  
[IEW.com/TWSS](http://IEW.com/TWSS)
- **Instructor Accreditation**  
[IEW.com/IC](http://IEW.com/IC)



# Start a Business and Community Involvement

## Benefits

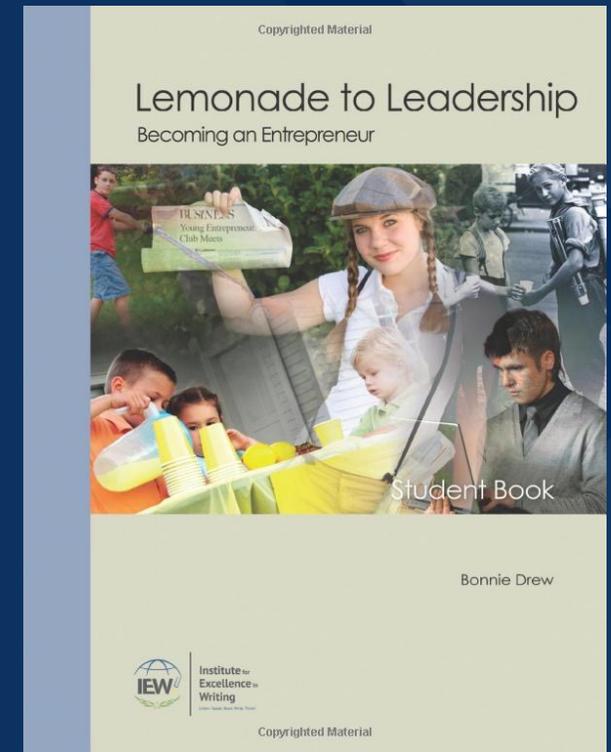
- “Real world”
- Integrates skills
- \$\$\$ Maybe
- Family
- Entrepreneurial
- Thinking
- Resilience

## Internships

## Campaigns

## Volunteer

## Missions



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[TheHomeScholar.com](http://TheHomeScholar.com)

[Homehighschoolhelp.com](http://Homehighschoolhelp.com)



“Do what you want to and call it what you need to.”



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