Grades 1 and up

TruthQuest History™
American History for Young Students III
(1865-2000)
Binder-Builder

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Materials Needed

What you need to get started

*A printed copy of the TruthQuest History –Binder-Builder™ by A Journey Through Learning
*A Printed copy of TruthQuest History book (American History for Young Students III)
*26 pieces of 8.5 x 11 colored cardstock
*1 inch 3-ring binder with clear sleeve on the front
*Scissors
*Glue (We recommend Zip Dry Glue)
*Hole puncher
*Brads
*Stapler
*Crayons and/or colored pencils
*8 tabs- Label your tabs: Important Figures, Visual Arts, Music, Literature, Heroes, Art in America, Timeline, Notebooking**These two packages sold separately.

Terminology used throughout Binder-Builder™

Hamburger Fold- Fold horizontally

Hotdog Fold- Fold vertically

Folds- Sometimes labeled with a small line to show where the fold is.

Dotted Lines- These are the cutting lines.

Cover Labels- Some of the booklets will have a cover label that will need to be glued to the top to cover a blank space.

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What is a Binder-Builder?
A Binder-Builder is a new name for an old concept! It is simply taking a 3-ring binder and colored cardstock and turning it into a wonderful showcase of your child’s learning year!

How Do I Use it With TruthQuest History?
TruthQuest History American History for Young Students III (1865-2000) guide is broken up into 36 units. By using the Binder-Builders along with this wonderful program, you will be able to bring and gather so much of what your child is learning and store it into one fun-packed binder! No more lost papers.
You will still follow TruthQuest History’s relaxed, enjoyable learning style. This product is meant to be fun, NOT stressful. So use it to enhance your learning experience. Feel free to tailor the booklets to your child. Some days you can simply draw instead of write. Or find the information on the internet and glue it onto the booklet. The choice is YOURS!

Each unit has two or more fun booklets to complete. So, gather the kids on the couch, and let the learning begin!

How Do I Set Up My Binder-Builder?
Gather your pieces of cardstock and 3-hole punch them. Next, in the lower right-hand corner number your cardstock from 1-26. Place in 3-ring binder. Add your 5 labeled tabs behind the cardstock. (If you are using Timeline Package and/or Notebooking Package, you will place them here.) You will store all of your worksheets behind these tabs.

The front of the first page will have your cover sheet glued to it. Then, your first “detail” sheet will be glued to the back of that page. The booklets for your first unit will then be glued to the front of your second page. This lay-out allows you to view anything for the unit you are studying at the same time! You will follow this process throughout the entire binder-builder.

Located at the top right corner of each page, you will find the unit topic and the pages where it can be found in your TruthQuest History book. Each page will also have all directions for the construction of the mini-booklet, pages to read, and what your student will record in the mini-booklet after reading to show what is learned. A small key is also here to show you where to glue each mini-booklet onto the card stock.

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Cover Sheet for TruthQuest History- American History for Young Students III (1865-2000.)
Cut out the cover sheet and glue to the first page of your Binder-Builder. Draw a picture of
you and your family sitting together reading and learning about history!

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1. Picking Up the Pieces (Reconstruction)

What was Reconstruction?

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Which side received the hardest hit from the war? Why?

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Sample Page
Read about the Civil War from the books of your choice. Cut out booklet as one piece. Fold in half. Glue onto the front of page 2. **Directions:** Inside of the booklet, write the answer.

1. Picking Up the Pieces (Reconstruction)

Other names for the Civil War
Read about the Carpetbaggers from the books of your choice.
Cut out the booklet as one piece. Fold in half. Glue onto the front of page 2.
Directions: Inside of the booklet, write about the Carpetbaggers.
Read about the Sharecroppers from the books of your choice. Cut out the booklet as one piece. Fold in half. Glue onto the front of page 2. 

Directions: Inside of the booklet, tell about the sharecropper.
2. Westward Ho!

Why were families heading west? 

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Draw a picture of a family traveling west.
Read about the Prairie pioneers from the books of your choice. Cut out each piece. Stack according to length with title on top. Staple at the top. Glue onto the front of page 3.

**Directions:** In each of the booklets, fill out the information.
Read about the story of the Prairie wheat from the books of your choice.
Fold on the middle line. Cut out around picture. Do not cut fold. Glue onto the front of page 3.
**Directions:** Write about wheat inside the booklet.
Read about the Locust/grasshopper plagues from the books of your choice.
Cut out each booklet. Stack on top of each other with the cover sheet on top. Fasten together with a brad or string. Glue onto the front of page 3.
Directions: Fill out the information on each booklet.

Locust/grasshopper plagues

Label the parts

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