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What children need, both personally and environmentally, in order to learn  
The most valuable learning aid: children's love of learning; How children learn without teaching; How children learn from everyday experiences; The learning value of play; The difference between skills and knowledge; Home educators' different approaches and styles; A tightly structured approach; An autonomous approach; An approach in between; How to choose an approach; The use of time; Motivation; Children having charge of their own learning; Opportunities within the community for learning; Summary of the main points

Suggested websites  
4 How Do Home Educated Children Find Friends and Become Socialised?; How children make friends pre-school; How schools do not have exclusivity on friendships; How schools can sometimes harm relationships; The importance of occasional solitude; What social skills do we want our children to have?; How children acquire social skills; How do home educated children find friends?; The home education community; Opportunities for friendships within the local community; Summary of the main points; Suggested websites; 5 What about Curriculum, Subjects and Timetables?

What curriculum actually is and what it's for  
How home educating parents use it - or not; How curriculum, subject division and timetables are merely tools or learning, and how to use them as such; Considerations for making your own timetables; Basic subjects and how to approach them; Choosing extra subjects; Subjects that develop valuable life skills; How to use curriculum and timetables to your advantage; Summary of the main points; Suggested websites; 6 What about Tests, Exams and Qualifications?; What tests are for; What home educators use tests for; What exams and qualifications are for  
How home educators choose exams and qualifications

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#### Sommario/riassunto

This book explains what home education is; the advantages and disadvantages of this route; how to begin home educating; what you need to do and how to help your child adjust; and how home education affects children's social skills and friendships. It also covers technical aspects, such as the curriculum, core subjects, exams and timetables.

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