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9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Perfect for home or after schoolers.By SAinVAI am a firm believer that children retain information far better when they use all their senses. One of the things that I've found works well for my children is for them to do an activity while I am reading to them. They appear to retain the information they hear while their hands are busy far better than the information they hear while I have them sitting still.I generally have them doodle, draw, paint or build with their construction toys while I read to them. However, I discovered a book a

few months that has added a better dimension to their handiwork. Kathy Ceceri's book, "Around the World Crafts" has crafts that I can link directly to what I am reading for school. While I was reading books about the origins of numbers to the children, they made their own abacuses and mancala sets. My daughter made paper quilled pictures while we were preparing for our visit to Colonial Williamsburg. She now plans to make a mob cap and a silhouette. While we read about early agrarian communities, the children made their own coiled baskets. We're planning on making gargoyles soon. Other than the very clear instructions, I particularly appreciate the "Sources and Resources" section with each craft. This has allowed us to follow rabbit trails and learn more than we thought possible about the crafts we've done. The resources are both book and internet based. This book is not a book full of crafts for the sake of doing crafts. It's a book full of activities that enrich the child's intellectual world. This is a craft book that belongs in every homeschool or afterschool mom's library. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Fun and Educational crafts
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My daughter received this book for her 11th birthday. She enjoys trying the different crafts and particularly likes making the "Flip books" and "Quilling". I find her reading the historical information and asking questions about the different projects. She has asked to take the book with her to her afterschool program so she can teach her friends some of her favorite crafts. There are lots of different projects and you are sure to find one that will work for your Girl Scout troop or party. The crafts do not require expensive supplies and are easy to transport. I highly recommend this book for all individuals who enjoy doing crafts with and without their children.

More than 30 hands-on projects for ages 7 and up that teach history, science and art by the author of the popular activity books Robotics and Geek Mom. Easy to follow step-by-step photos show you how to make realistic-looking crafts, suitable for gifts or school presentations. Includes interesting background information, along with related activities and print and Internet resources. Kids and adults can learn how to add on an abacus, design a Medieval gargoyle, compare different solar cookers, and find out why boomerangs fly and try an Early American paper craft. Crafts include a working electrical telegraph, African and Scandinavian baskets, flipbook animation, prehistoric cave drawings, and Mexican-style yarn paintings. Great for home, school, scouts, 4-H -- and anyone who loves making crafts!

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