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YEARBOOK  
For  
HOME EXTENSION STUDY CLUBS

Series X X

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_

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## NEBRASKA HOME EXTENSION STUDY CLUBS

A few years ago groups of women who were in the habit of meeting together; wrote to the Agricultural Extension Service and asked for circulars that might be studied when they held their meetings. As a result of such requests a number of circulars were prepared and sent to the clubs. These seemed to meet with approval and so the second year more were prepared. The plan has been continued for a number of years as will be seen in the study club enrollment blank.

The circulars are arranged so there is one for each month beginning in September and ending with June. However, clubs may begin at any time and may select as many circulars out of a series as desired. Any club anywhere may enroll for the circulars by securing the enrollment blanks from the agricultural or home agent. There is no fee charged to people who live in Nebraska for the circulars or the year-books.

One stitched set of the circulars will be included for the person who has charge of the distribution of the circulars.

Clubs will find that there is material enough in each circular for a good afternoon's study, so it is not advisable to try to handle two circulars in one meeting, nor to try to combine the study club work with the home demonstration project club work. The project club work is different from the study club work in that it consists of demonstrations given by specialists or county home demonstration agents to project leaders who in turn present the demonstrations to the club. The study club work consists of the study of circulars which are mailed to each club member and there are no demonstrations required in connection with the lessons.



When the study club enrollment blank is received a yearbook and the circulars for three months will be mailed for each club member. The first of October a letter will be sent to the club which will contain a report blank for September. The blank should be filled in and mailed at once or at least not later than October 15. After that report is received by the agricultural or home agent, then the circulars for December and January will be mailed. The same plan will be followed every two months; that is, on December first a letter will be sent which will include a report for October and November. When that report is received by the agricultural or home agent then the circulars for February and March will be mailed. The advance circulars will be sent upon receipt of the reports which are sent out only every other month.

A letter and the report blanks will be sent only the first of October, December, February, April and June. Reports will be expected only once in two months and the advance mailings will depend upon the reports, so reports are important.

Clubs whose enrollments are received late in the spring and during the summer will receive their first mailing in August unless the club desires to study during the summer and such a statement is given in their request. The new series for the following year will not be available until after August 1.

Clubs are free to use the circulars in any way they wish. Many clubs give the circulars to the members in advance so they can be studied before the meeting. If this plan is followed the one or two leaders to whom the topic has been assigned prepare additional material on the topic which they have studied from other sources. It is fine if all present will enter into the discussion of the topic.

The reading of the circulars in the club meeting is to be discouraged. There is a great deal more growth on the part of the individual members if there can be a kindly discussion upon the topic for the month.

The circulars sent out this year are to be punched and it would add to the interest if each member would prepare an attractive cover for her circulars. This would also help preserve them for future use.

Those who take part in the program are the ones who will have the most enjoyment and receive the greatest benefit from the club work. You know the story of the woman who came home from prayer meeting and said to her husband, "John, that was the best prayer meeting I ever attended--I talked twice." You may not get a chance to "talk twice" this year, but be sure you do not neglect your opportunities, nor disappoint those who are depending upon you to furnish your share of the program.

Early in the year the program committee should assign the topics for discussion to those who are to appear on the program. This will give an opportunity to find things in the current magazines or available libraries pertaining to the subject.

Material listed as Extension Service circulars may be obtained from the agricultural or home agent. Many of the books referred to in the programs may be obtained from the Nebraska Library Commission, State House, Lincoln, Nebraska. The books will be free except for express or postage. Do not send to the Agricultural Extension Service for books for they do not have any books. They can send out only the extension circulars.



## BUILDING CHARACTER IN OUR HOMES

September

### Business Session

Song-a-Month, A Merry Heart  
Read in unison, "Take Time to Live"  
Roll call--My favorite guide for happy living  
Reading of minutes  
Report of committees  
Unfinished business  
New business  
Announce plans for summer meetings  
Adjourn

Study hour - Building Character in our Homes -  
Extension Circular 5-74

### Additional References

Brill & Youtz - Your child and his parents  
Cunningham, B. V. - Family behavior  
Dennis, L. T. - Living together in the family  
Ellenwood, J. L. - There's no place like home  
Gremene, Charles E. - Character training  
Haviland, Mary S. - Character training in childhood  
Jordan, H. M. - Home and family  
Overton, Mrs. G. S. - The home in a changing culture

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Character is not cut in marble;  
it is not something solid and unalterable.  
It is something living and changing, and  
may become diseased as our bodies do.

-- George Eliot

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This above all--to thine own self be true;  
And it must follow, as the night the day,  
Thou can't not then be false to any man.

--Shakespeare

Take Time to Live

- Take time to work -  
it is the price of success.
- Take time to think -  
it is the source of power.
- Take time to play -  
it is the secret of perennial youth.
- Take time to read -  
it is the fountain of wisdom.
- Take time to worship -  
it is the highway to reverence.
- Take time to be friendly -  
it is the road to happiness.
- Take time to dream -  
it is hitching your wagon to a star.
- Take time to love and be loved -  
it is the privilege of the gods.
- Take time to look around -  
it is too short a day to be selfish.
- Take time to laugh -  
it is the music of the soul.
- Take time to play with children -  
it is the joy of joys
- Take time to be courteous -  
it is the mark of a gentleman.

--From the Iroquois County, Illinois,  
Home Bureau bulletin

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KNOW NEBRASKA, IT'S A GREAT STATE

October

Business Session

Song-a-Month, Ben Bolt

Roll call - Tell of some beautiful or interesting place or event connected with Nebraska, as parks, fishing places, pioneer history, or present day events.

Reading of minutes

Report of committees

Unfinished business

New business

Announce topic for next meeting

Adjourn

Study Hour - Know Nebraska, It's a Great State -  
Extension Circular 5-67

Additional References

Bradford, H. E. - Nebraska, its geography and agriculture

Bucklin, Clarissa - Nebraska art and artists

Condra, G. E. - Geography, agriculture, industries of Nebraska

Dick, E. N. - The Sod House Frontier

Federal Writers' Project - Nebraska

Harvey, Alice - Nebraska writers

Sheldon, A. E. - Nebraska civil government

Sheldon, A. E. - Nebraska old and new

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"I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided, and that is the lamp of experience. I know no way of judging the future but by the past."--Patrick Henry.

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THE LIFE OF MADAME CURIE

November

Business Session

Song-a-Month, Softly Now the Light of Day  
Roll call - Something outstanding about a recent  
medical discovery  
Reading of minutes  
Report of committees  
Unfinished business  
New business  
Announce topic for next meeting  
Adjourn

Study Hour - The Life of Madame Curie - Extension  
Circular 5-68

Additional References

Curie, Eve - Madame Curie  
Curie, Mme. M. S. - Pierre Curie  
Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. - Madame Curie

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A measure of Mme. Curie's vast contribution to human welfare is impossible, for her work is living on through the development of numerous new uses of her greatest discovery, radium. Lines from a poem by Arthur Upson seem to describe the continuing service of this devoted mother and great scientist:

"My days are phantom days, each one  
The shadow of a hope;  
My real life never was begun  
Nor any of my real deeds done."

WHAT ABOUT FINANCIAL PLANNING?

December

Business Session

Song-a-Month, Silent Night

Roll call - Tell something interesting about  
coins

Reading minutes

Report of committees

Unfinished business

New business

Announce topic for next meeting

Adjourn

Study Hour - Financial Planning is Building a Budget  
Extension Circular 1111

Additional References

Andrews, C. R. - Economics of the household

Bigelow, H. F. - Family finance

Gruenberg, Mrs. S. M. - Parents, children and money

Jordan, D. F. - Managing personal finances

McCullough, Ernest - How to spend your money

Owen, D. F. - Controlling your personal finances

Smith, A. H. - Your personal economies

Extension Circular 11-118 - State Summary of  
1939 Home Account Books

Suggestions for additional activities

Have panel discussion on values of record  
keeping

Use charts showing share of farm family living  
that is produced on the farm

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"The darkest hour in any man's life is when he sits down to plan how to get money without earning it."--Horace Greeley.

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"It takes a great deal of boldness, mixed with a vast deal of caution, to acquire a great fortune; but then it takes ten times as much wit to keep it after you have got it as it took to make it."--Rothschild.

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"Here's to the maiden of bashful fifteen;  
Here's to the widow of fifty;  
Here's to the flaunting, extravagant queen,  
And here's to the housewife that's thrifty!"  
--Richard Brinsley Sheridan.

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"There can be no freedom or beauty about a home life that depends on borrowing and debt."--Ibsen.

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"Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure nineteen nineteen six, result happiness. Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty pounds ought and six; result, misery."--David Copperfield, Chapter 12.

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LADIES, BE YOUR BEST

January

Business Session

Song-a-Month, A Love Dream  
Roll call - A courtesy which should have more  
attention  
Reading of minutes  
Report of committees  
Unfinished business  
New business  
Announce topic for next meeting  
Adjourn

Study Hour - Ladies, Be Your Best - Extension  
Circular 5 - 69

Additional References

Burgen, Gellelt - Look eleven years younger  
Graves, E. R. - Understanding yourself  
McFarland, Mrs. F. W. - Good taste in dress  
Rhoades, Winfred - Meeting the challenge of life  
Rhoades, Winfred - The self you have to live with  
Richmond, W. W. - Personality  
Rogers, Agnus - Why not enjoy life?  
Schauffler, R. H. - Enjoy living  
Shillow, Mrs. S. R. M. - How to develop your  
personality  
Stuart, Mrs. G. - The achievement of personality

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"Oh, wad some power the giftie gie us  
To see oursel's as ithers see us!  
Id wad frae monie a blunder free us  
and foolish notion!"

--Robert Burns.

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THE INTERESTING TRIANGLE - PARENTS, TEACHERS & CHILDREN

February

Business Session

Song-a-Month, I Know That My Redeemer Liveth  
Roll Call - A way in which understanding increases  
efficiency of school  
Reading of minutes  
Report of committees  
Unfinished business  
New business  
Announce topic for next meeting  
Adjourn

Study Hour - The Interesting Triangle - Parents,  
Teacher and Children - Extension  
Circular 5-70

Additional References

Baruch, Mrs. D. W. - Parents and children go  
to school  
Cleveland, Elizabeth - If parents only knew  
Cook, L. A. - Community backgrounds of education  
Mason, Mrs. M. S. - Parents and teachers  
Natl. Congress of Parents & Teachers - Education for  
home and family  
Natl. Cong. of P. & T. - Parent Education - Third Yrbk  
" " " " " " " " Fourth "  
Redding, T. W. - When home and school get together

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"A teacher affects eternity; he  
can never tell where his influence  
stops."--H. B. Adams.

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OUR NEIGHBORS, CANADA & MEXICO

M a r c h

Business Session

Song-a-Month, Fairest Lord Jesus  
Roll call - A custom, product, or event of Mexico  
or Canada which interests me.  
Reading of minutes  
Report of committees  
Unfinished business  
New business  
Announce topic for next meeting  
Adjourn

Study Hour - Our Neighbors, Canada & Mexico - Extension  
Circular 5-71

Additional References

Austin, Mrs. Jean - Mexico in your pocket  
Chase, Stuart - Mexico  
Herring, H. C. - Genius of Mexico  
Jackson, J. H. - Mexican interlude  
Keenleyside, Hugh - Canada and the United States  
MaeCormae, John - Canada: America's problem  
Parker, H. B. - A History of Mexico  
Phillips, H. A. - New designs for old Mexico  
Pinkerton, Mrs. K. S. G. - Wilderness wife  
Siegfried, Audre - Canada  
Wrong, G. M. - The Canadians

Suggestions for Additional Activities

A Mexican Tea  
A Canadian and Mexican exhibit

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I LIKE A MAP

I like a map! It is a friendly thing  
To hang upon my wall! It spins a yarn  
Of purple ports, whose ships may never sail  
Beyond my skyline etched with field and barn!

Here do I stay at home with humble tasks  
From dawn to dusk, and I am never through  
With baking bread and churning crocks of cream.  
But, oh, somewhere must be a sea so blue.

It leaves me breathless with its very thought!  
Strange spices leave their taste upon my lips  
With every wind that comes from God knows where!  
Clouds sail uncharted skies--they're all my ships!

Come Mondays with my lines full to the breeze  
With snowy sheets and slips--ah, these are sails  
That billow in some wind down Yucatan,  
Running before the trade winds and their gales!

I like a map--and all its funny names  
Of towns and cities--lakes and rivers, too!  
Each dawn I lay my course, and then I'm off!  
Each dusk I'm back and setting bread for you!

--Cristel Hastings.

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POSSESSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES

A p r i l

Business Session

Song-a-Month, Our Project Club  
Roll Call - Report a current event on some of  
the possessions of the United States  
Reading of minutes  
Report of committees  
Unfinished business  
New business  
Announce topic for next meeting  
Adjourn

Study Hour - Possessions of the United States

Extension Circular 5 - 72

Additional References

Andrews, C. L. - Story of Alaska  
Carpenter - Thru the Philippines and Hawaii  
Cochran, Hamilton - These are the Virgin Islands  
Colby, M. E. - A guide to Alaska  
Early, Eleanor - Land of delight  
Early, Eleanor - Ports of the sun  
Franck, H. A. - The lure of Alaska  
Franck, H. A. - Roaming thru the West Indies  
Jennings, J. E. - Our American Tropics  
Keesing, F. M. - The Philippines  
Thomson, Jay Earle - Our Pacific possessions  
Vandercook, J. W. - Caribbee Cruise  
Verrill, A. H. - Panama of today  
White, Trumbull - Puerto Rico and its people  
Willoughby, Mrs. F. B. - Alaska holiday  
Willoughby, Mrs. F. B. - Alaskans all

Suggestions for additional activities

Use world map to locate possessions of U. S. -  
Alaska, Hawaiian Islands, Guam, Philippines,  
Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa,  
Wake & Midway Islands, Howland, Jarvis and  
Baker Islands, Panama Canal Zone.



OUR NATIONAL PARKS - Series I \*

M a y

Business Session

Song-a-Month, Our Project Club  
Roll Call - A National Park I have visited or  
would enjoy visiting.  
Report of committees  
Unfinished business  
New business  
Announce topic for next meeting  
Adjourn

Study Hour - Our National Parks - Extension  
Circular 5-73

Additional References

(Books)

Fryxell, F. M. - The Tetons  
Trager, M. W. - National Parks of the Northwest

(Pamphlets)

Dept. of Interior - Mesa Verde National Park  
" " Wind Cave National Park  
" " The Rocky Mt. National Park  
Grand Teton National Park - Wyoming  
Union Pacific - Colorado Mountain playgrounds

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One could travel in long explorations  
while near one's own fireside, stimulating  
the restive or sluggish mind, if need be,  
by reading some narrative of travel in  
distant lands. -- Joris Huysmans.

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\*Rocky Mountain Park, Colorado; Wind Cave,  
South Dakota; Grand Teton, Wyoming; Mesa  
Verde, Colorado.



COMMON SENSE EDUCATION

June

Business Session

Song-a-Month, My Nebraska

Roll Call - Tell of some educational experience  
you had during the summer, as trips  
articles read, etc.

Reading of minutes

Report of committees

Unfinished business

New business

Announce topic for next meeting

Adjourn

Study Hour - Common Sense Education - Extension  
Circular 5-66

Additional References

Almack, J. C. - Education for citizenship

Darling & Greenberg - Effective citizenship

Fisher, Mrs. D. F. C. - Why stop learning?

Judd - Education and social progress

Kilpatrick, W. H. - Education for a changing  
civilization

Lewis - The rural community and its schools

Nat'l Recreation Assn. - The new leisure  
challenges the schools

Wiggam, A. E. - The marks of an educated man

Wofford - Modern education in the small rural  
school

Suggestions for Additional Activities

Invite W. Y. A. representative to tell of  
educational program of this agency

Discuss educational radio programs that  
interest and help homemakers

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"Manhood, not scholarship, is the first aim of  
education."--Ernest Thompson Seton

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M Y N E B R A S K A

The words and music for this song were written in 1922 by Theodore C. Diers, who has charge of the music extension work at the University of Nebraska. Mr. Diers, a native son of Nebraska, tells why he wrote the song as follows: "Song writers from every section have lauded the blue skies, the wooded hills, the waving grain and the jewels beneath the earth. Nebraska is slightly more than three score years old and many of us are direct descendants of the early settlers. We still have a few citizens of territorial days and the history of that period is not unknown. Their lot was not an envious one and the blessings about us are our heritage from those pioneers. To those who toiled and sacrificed not in vain, 'My Nebraska' is dedicated in the hope that all the popularity it merits or achieves will honor the men and women who came before us."

My Nebraska,  
Dear Nebraska,  
State I love the best,  
Where pioneers first led the way,  
Now lives the people blessed  
And though the sun shines hot in summer  
Or cold winter winds may blow,  
It's always fair weather,  
In Nebraska,  
Where real folks grow.

My Nebraska,  
Fair Nebraska,  
Praise I sing of thee,  
No spot in all the whole wide-world  
Is half so dear to me.  
From dewy dawn to flaming sunset,  
In twilight and long night through,  
We'll all pull together;  
Oh, Nebraska  
We're proud of you.