

The Beginner's Guide to Unschooling

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There's nothing I get asked about more as a parent than unschooling, and nothing I recommend more to other parents.

It's an educational philosophy that provides for more freedom than any other learning method, and prepares kids for an uncertain and rapidly changing future better than anything else I know. My wife and I unschool four of our kids, and have been for several years.

And yet, as powerful as I believe unschooling to be, I've never written about it, because the truth is, I certainly don't have all the answers. No one does.

The beauty of unschooling is in the search for the answers. If anyone had all the answers, there would be no search. And so what I'd love to teach unschooling parents and kids is that the search is the joy of it all.

But I'm getting ahead of myself: what is unschooling? Why should you do it? How do you do it? What should you read? We'll talk about all that today.

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