Iceland

Digital Resources and Children's Books

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Kid-Friendly YouTube Videos:

Best Places to Visit in Iceland: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u_f90pXw5sQ
The Animated History of Iceland: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JzYvFypr26U
Leif Erickson, Icelandic Explorer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R3GM3F7JZ2c
Awesome Facts about Iceland - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VEsMopVuVDk
What is Life Really Like in Iceland? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RN2LsQ9Y9gE
Winter in Iceland: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9OCDDNFvOzM
Geography Now, Iceland: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ocE9DNZxPUk
Iceland’s Volcanic World: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tUaN_tki82o
Vegetable Growing in Iceland? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gbquo8AiSks
Reykjavik, Places to See: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IP9yOkGGvUg
Tour a Tiny Icelandic Turf House: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7JFwLyrdJw
Arts and Crafts in Iceland: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v7AiXdfJ7y0
Musicians from Iceland: https://theculturetrip.com/europe/iceland/articles/10-musicians-from-iceland-you-need-to-hear/
Icelandic Folk Dancing: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Mi1humhxAY
Iceland, A Traditional Song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DgFa6Qt1hJg
Christmas Traditions of Iceland: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bb2tPCyZMmA
Iceland, Secrets of Nature: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qr79-qUoLRM
Icelandic Language Basics: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LYzL7RfrTu4
**Websites:**


Discovering Iceland: [http://www.iceland.is/](http://www.iceland.is/)


Geothermal Pools, a Way of Life: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2y-koTL5PWl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2y-koTL5PWl)


Religion in Iceland: [https://reykjavikout.is/religion-in-iceland/](https://reykjavikout.is/religion-in-iceland/)

Hallgrímskirkja Church: [https://www.icelandtravel.is/attractions/hallgrimskirkja/](https://www.icelandtravel.is/attractions/hallgrimskirkja/)

All About Icelandic Turf Houses: [https://www.icelandtravel.is/blog/icelandic-turf-houses/](https://www.icelandtravel.is/blog/icelandic-turf-houses/)

Art and Culture in Iceland: [https://www.visitchile.com/article/culture/](https://www.visitchile.com/article/culture/)


Folklore in Iceland: [https://guidetoiceland.is/history-culture/folklore-in-iceland](https://guidetoiceland.is/history-culture/folklore-in-iceland)

Sports in Iceland: [https://www.verslo.is/erlend_samskipti/comenius/Comenius/ALT/vetur9900/group1/](https://www.verslo.is/erlend_samskipti/comenius/Comenius/ALT/vetur9900/group1/)

Walk between Two Continents in Ingvellir National Park: [https://guidetoiceland.is/connect-with-locals/jorunmsg/ingvellir-national-park](https://guidetoiceland.is/connect-with-locals/jorunmsg/ingvellir-national-park)

**Lesson Plans:**


All Things Topics, Iceland Lessons: [https://www.allthingstopics.com/iceland.html](https://www.allthingstopics.com/iceland.html)


Iceland, Teacher Resources: [https://www.lessonplanet.com/lesson-plans/iceland/all](https://www.lessonplanet.com/lesson-plans/iceland/all)

Guide to the Northern Lights in Iceland: [https://guidetoiceland.is/the-northern-lights/how-to-find-the-northern-lights-in-iceland](https://guidetoiceland.is/the-northern-lights/how-to-find-the-northern-lights-in-iceland)

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<td>Kathleen W. Deady</td>
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<td>Ideal for today's young investigative reader, each A True Book includes lively sidebars, a glossary and index, plus a comprehensive &quot;To Find Out More&quot; section listing books, organizations, and Internet sites. A staple of library collections since the 1950s, the new A True Book series is the definitive nonfiction series for elementary school readers.</td>
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<th>Wild Emm - Child of Iceland</th>
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<td>Emm, a curious and energetic child, joins her father for a sheep round up over a mountain range in Iceland. On the way, she encounters trolls, elves and finally finds her way back home. This book is based on my trips to Iceland where I rode horses in the middle of the night while the sun shined. A small child accompanied us, running as wild as the sheep we chased.</td>
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Title: The Problem With Chickens  
Author: Bruce McMillian  
Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3  
Publisher: HMH Books for Young Readers  
ISBN-10: 0618585818  
Summary: The ladies of Iceland have a problem: the birds lay their eggs in nooks on the sides of steep cliffs, so the ladies have a very difficult time getting any of the eggs for baking. They go to town to buy chickens to lay eggs for them instead. For a while, everyone is happy: there are plenty of eggs to bake plenty of yummy things. But the ladies' problems are far from solved, for the more time the chickens spend with the ladies, the more they begin to act like them too, until eventually they stop laying eggs all together. Now this is a problem indeed, but you can be sure, the clever ladies will find a solution.

Title: Thorkill of Iceland  
Author: Isabel Wyatt  
Ages: 9 and up  
Publisher: Floris Books  
ISBN-10: 0863152562  
Summary: The Vikings were the world's greatest adventurers and undertook astonishing journeys recorded in the ancient sagas. In these tales, the hero Thorkill of Iceland is sent by King Gorm of Denmark on a mission to the land of Giants, a journey his enemies plan he will never return from.

Title: Countries Around the World-Iceland  
Author: Melanie Waldron  
Ages: 8 - 11 Years  
Paperback: 48 pages  
Publisher: Heinemann Publishing  
Language: English  
ISBN-10: 143296125X  
Summary: Iceland offers complete coverage of this fascinating country, including sections on history, geography, wildlife, infrastructure and government, and culture. It also includes a detailed fact file, maps and charts, and a traceable flag.
Title: The Yule Lads: A Celebration of Iceland’s Christmas Folklore
Author: Brian Pilkington
Ages: 6 – 12 Years
Publisher: Mail og menning (2001)
ISBN-10: 9979322195
Summary: Over the centuries the Icelanders have developed a highly unusual set of Yuletide traditions, from the food they eat—smoked lamb, rotten skate and leaf bread— to their colorful folklore featuring the giant troll Gryla, her thirteen rascally sons, and that huge, hungry feline, the Yule Cat.