



The **Step-by-Step Course** to Understanding & Creating a Waldorf-Inspired Homeschool

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HOW NOT TO ISOLATE YOURSELF WHEN LIVING A WALDORF LIFESTYLE & HOMESCHOOLING.

*Know what you will and will not compromise on. There may be some absolutes NO's and then other things you are willing to give in to.

*You can't control what is going on at others houses only at your own. You can set a standard for what is done, and when they are away from home, decide what if any compromise will be made.

*I explain to the mom what I allow my kids to do. I will say "We don't watch tv" "They don't eat certain foods. Give her a chance to understand your "rules." Then you can decide what type of activities you can or cannot do together.

*If you have a good foundation at home and a solid rhythm, an occasional diversion from that will not do harm. I know that I am a bit looser now that my girls are 10 then when they were 5.

*Use experiences your children see or have as teaching moments. It gives me an opportunity to talk with them about it. If they were younger, it's a chance to re-establish our boundaries "In our home we do it this way.."

*When others visit your home you can decide the activities and food. Perhaps your house is the only one in the neighborhood that has outdoor games in the evening or hopscotch/jump rope. You can be the place all the children like to go to really play. Like Mrs. Piggie Wiggles house!

*Do your best and know in the end your kids won't be ruined from one experience or weekend. It will be a constant judgment call on your part on what you will allow or won't.