Frequently Asked Questions

I have a theory that you choose a vocation or career based on what types of questions you enjoy answering no matter how many times they're asked. I love blacksmithing questions!

Here are a few common ones to help you get a feel for this course and how I teach it.

How many lessons should my

student do each week?

They can complete this mini course in one sitting if they're motivated.

If time is limited after their regular school day, it can be broken up into smaller chunks by topic.

What age is this suited for?

For my in-person classes the minimum age is 10 for simple projects that a parent collaborates on. I respect your judgment when gauging your child's readiness.

What is the format of the

course?

The course is reading-based with encouragement to draw and plan out your home blacksmith shop.





Frequently Asked Questions (cont.)

Is Blacksmithing for Beginners a

spiral or mastery course?

This mini course and the full Blacksmith's Apprentice course are based on eventual Mastery.

However, topics that are covered at the beginning, like Anvils and how to use them, are integrated into later topics (How to hammer effectively, for example.)

Do we need blacksmithing

equipment for this course?

Not yet! This course is set up to inform your future blacksmith and assess their interest level.

Blacksmithing equipment is an investment so we want to be sure that this is something your child wants to pursue.

What's Next?

Let's talk about Anvils!



