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At-Home Reading List Policy

Veritas Academy desires to instill in our students a love of reading. The at-home reading lists provided in Grades K-6th help facilitate this desire. These lists also provide a way for parents to be engaged in their child's education. Lists include books as "read-alouds" (parents reading to their children) and "readers" (books read by the students 1st-6th).

We also desire to keep these lists simple and the books as accessible as possible. Veritas has a limited number of each book for each grade available for check-out. Books may also be obtained from local bookstores, public libraries or internet sites. If you would like to borrow books from Veritas, please check with the teacher for availability.

Books on tape/CD are permitted as read-alouds. Families with multiple children are permitted to read aloud a book to all of their children provided the book is from the list of the student in the highest grade or if the family is continuing a book series (Chronicles of Narnia or Little House books). Please note this on the younger children's list when you are substituting a book from a higher reading list.

Books studied in Literature and History classes will be provided by Veritas. These book lists may be found in the class syllabi. You do not need to obtain these books.

Each grade level has different specifications for the number of "readers" and "read-alouds" required to be read. Please see the grade specific lists for those details.

Happy Reading!





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2019-2020 School Year Second Grade Reading List

Veritas has a few copies of each book available for lending to students. Please check with your child's teacher for availability. Many of the books are also available at the public library or available to purchase at local and online bookstores.

Readers (read by the student)

This list is currently undergoing revision. The list for 2019-20 will be available by the start of the school year.

History Course Integrated Reading - Kings and Queens: This course gives an overview of seven of western history's most illustrious kings and queens in order to acquaint students with the events and achievements of the periods they represent and to see how God has sovereignly worked through them. The reigns of Tutankhamen, Alexander the Great, Caesar Augustus, Alfred the Great, Queen Elizabeth, Louis XIV and Queen Victoria will be the focus of the course. The books labeled with an asterisk (*) correspond to Kings and Queens specifically.

Read-Alouds (choose 12 books -8 History/4 fiction, read by parent.)

The Read Aloud books are more challenging, and it is strongly encouraged that a parent read these books to the child. The Read Aloud list is comprised of ten history books and eleven fiction books. Students must complete at least eight of the history books and at least four of the other fiction books.

A Child's Garden of Verses by Robert Louis Stevenson

***Tut's Mummy Lost and Found** by Judy Donnelly

***The Trojan Horse** by Emily Little

***Alexander the Great** by Robert Green

Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle by Betty McDonald

***Twice Freed** by Patricia St. John

***Castle Diary** by Richard Platt

***Tales of Robin Hood** by T. Allan

Kildee House by Rutherford Montgomery

***Good Queen Bess** by Diane Stanley and Peter Vennema

***The Apprentice** by Pillar Llorente

***The Little Lame Prince** by Dinah Maria Craik (aka Miss. Mulock)

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C. S. Lewis

***Heidi** (condensed version) by Johanna Spyri – (Another version is also acceptable)

Farmer Boy by Laura Ingalls Wilder

The Apple and the Arrow by Mary and Conrad Buff

Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary

Ginger Pye by Eleanor Estes

The Family Under the Bridge by Natalie Savage Carlson

The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman

The Minstrel in the Tower by Gloria Skurzinsky

Second Grade Reading Checklist

Parents, please initial as your child has completed the readers and you have completed the read-alouds with your child.

Title	Author	Date	Parent Initials
Read Alouds- choose 12 (8 history and 4 fiction) * denotes corresponding to Kings & Queens Unit			
A Child's Garden of Verses	Robert Louis Stevenson		
*Tut's Mummy Lost and Found	Judy Donnelly		
*The Trojan Horse	Emily Little		
*Alexander the Great	Robert Green		
Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle	Betty McDonald		
*Twice Freed	Patricia St. John		
*Castle Diary	Richard Platt		
*Tales of Robin Hood	T. Allan		
Kildee House	Rutherford Montgomery		
*Good Queen Bess	Diane Stanley & Peter Vennema		
*The Apprentice	Pillar Llorente		
*The Little Lamé Prince	Dinah Maria Craik		
The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe	C.S. Lewis		
*Heidi (condensed version)	Johanna Spyri		
Farmer Boy	Laura Ingalls Wilder		
The Apple and the Arrow	Mary and Conrad Buff		
Beezus and Ramona	Beverly Cleary		
Ginger Pye	Eleanor Estes		
The Family Under the Bridge	Natalie Savage Carlson		
The Whipping Boy	Sid Fleischman		
The Minstrel in the Tower	Gloria Skurzinsky		