

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!





2023-2024 School Year Fourth 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.

Fourth Grade students are required to read the number of books specified in each section.

Parents, please initial books read and read-aloud on the check list provided.

Read-Alouds (choose 4 or more, 1 each quarter, parent reads to student)

The Great Turkey Walk by Kathleen Karr

By the Great Horn Spoon by Sid Fleischman

Hero Over Here by Kathleen Kudlinski

Bully for You, Teddy Roosevelt by Jean Fritz

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred Taylor

Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt

The Winged Watchman by Hilda Van Stockum

By the Shores of Silver Lake by Laura Ingalls Wilder

The Rescuers by Margery Sharp

The Story of the Treasure Seekers by E. Nesbit

Miracles on Maple Hill by Virginia Sorensen

The Wheel on the School by Meindert de Jong and Maurice Sendak

Cheaper By the Dozen by Frank Gilbreth and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey

Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr

Pink and Say by Patricia Polacco

The Horse and His Boy by C.S. Lewis (to be read after The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe is studied in class)

Readers (choose 10 or more, 2 each 1st & 2nd quarters, 3 each 3rd & 4th quarters, student reads)

Shades of Grey by Carolyn Reeder

All of a Kind Family by Sydney Taylor

Old Yeller by Fred Gipson

Sing Down the Moon by Scott O'Dell

Stuart Little by E.B. White

Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

The Long Winter by Laura Ingalls Wilder

All Sails Set by Armstrong Sperry

Little Britches by Ralph Moody **Helen Keller** by Margaret Davidson In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson by Bette Bao Lord **Gone Away Lake** by Elizabeth Enright The Perilous Road by William Steele The Journey to Ellis Island by Carol Bierman Abraham's Battle by Sara Harrell Banks **Strawberry Girl** by Lois Lenski Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks The Cricket in Times Square by George Seldon **Twenty and Ten** by Claire Hutchet Bishop Thimble Summer by Elizabeth Enright **Sounder** by William H. Armstrong **Behind Rebel Lines** by Seymour Reit Freedom Train: The Story of Harriet Tubman by Dorothy Sterling The Great Wheel by Robert Lawson The Wright Brothers by Quentin Reynolds We'll Race You, Henry Ford by Barbara Mitchell

A summary will need to be written upon completion of each book. The summary should be handwritten on a sheet of notebook paper. Please use cursive with at least 7 *complete sentences* in a well written paragraph.

Each summary needs to include the following:

- Title (as the heading)
- Author
- Setting (time and place)
- Main characters
- Main idea of the book
- Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?

Fourth Grade Reading Checklist

Parents, please initial as your child has completed the readers and you have completed the read-alouds with your child. Keep this sheet in your child's homework folder for the teacher to check throughout the school year.

Title	Author	Date	Parent Initials	Teacher Initials		
Read Alouds- choose 4, 1 each quarter, parent reads						
Across Five Aprils	Irene Hunt					
Bully for You, Teddy Roosevelt	Jean Fritz					
By the Great Horn Spoon	Sid Fleischman					
By the Shores of Silver Lake	Laura Ingalls Wilder					
Cheaper by the Dozen	Frank Gilbreth & Ernestine Gilbreth Caray					
The Great Turkey Walk	Kathleen Karr					
Hero Over Here	Kathleen Kudlinski					
The Horse and His Boy	C.S. Lewis					
Miracles on Maple Hill	Virginia Sorensen					
Pink and Say	Patricia Polacco					
The Rescuers	Margery Sharp					
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred Taylor					
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes	Eleanor Coerr					
The Story of the Treasure Seekers	E. Nesbit					
The Wheel on the School	Meindert de Jong & Maurice Sendak					
The Winged Watchman	Hilda Van Stockum					
Readers- choose 10 or more, 2 each 1 st & 2 nd quarters, 3 each 3 rd & 4 th quarters, student reads						
Abraham's Battle	Sara Harrell Banks					
All of a Kind Family	Sydney Taylor					
All Sails Set	Armstrong Sperry					
Behind Rebel Lines	Seymour Reit					
The Cricket in Times Square	George Sheldon					
Freedom Train: The Story of Harriet Tubman	Dorothy Sterling					
Gone Away Lake	Elizabeth Enright					
The Great Wheel	Robert Lawson					
Helen Keller	Margaret Davidson					
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson	Bette Bao Lord					

Indian in the Cupboard	Lynne Reid Banks		
The Journey to Ellis Island	Carol Bierman		
Little Britches	Ralph Moody		
The Long Winter	Laura Ingalls Wilder		
Old Yeller	Fred Gipson		
The Perilous Road	William Steele		
Shades of Grey	Carolyn Reeder		
Sing Down the Moon	Scott O'Dell		
Sounder	William H. Armstrong		
Stuart Little	E.B. White		
Strawberry Girl	Lois Lenski		
Thimble Summer	Elizabeth Enright		
Tuck Everlasting	Natalie Babbitt		
Twenty and Ten	Claire Hutchet Bishop		
We'll Race You, Henry Ford	Barbara Mitchell		
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