



# VERITAS ACADEMY

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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-6<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>).

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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### **2024-2025 School Year Sixth 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.

Sixth grade students will be required to read 16 books, one per quarter for Literature and three per quarter for History. Each quarter for History, select one read-aloud from books marked with an asterisk (\*) and two others that follow the quarter in which the History unit is studied. For Literature, select any book from the General Good Literature list to read each quarter.

**Parents, please initial the literature books read on the check list provided. Students will be required to engage in a 3-5 minute conversation about the four General Good Literature books for literature class. An additional log provided by the teacher will be required for history class.**

#### **Literature Class**

**General Good Literature (one book per quarter, students must choose at least one \* book at some point during the year.)**

**\*Treasure Island** by Robert Louis Stevenson

**Around the World in Eighty Days** by Jules Verne

**The First Four Years** by Laura Ingalls Wilder

**Call of the Wild** by Jack London

**\*The Witch of Blackbird Pond** by Elizabeth George Speare

**The Hobbit** by J.R.R. Tolkien

**\*Johnny Tremain** by Esther Forbes

**\*Banner in the Sky** by James Ramsey Ullman

**Anne of Green Gables** by L.M. Montgomery

**The Finest Hours: The True Story of a Heroic Sea Rescue** by Michael J. Tougas & Casey Sherman

**Crispin, The Cross of Lead** by Avi

# History Class

## Middle Ages (1<sup>st</sup> Qtr)

\* **The Silver Chair** by C.S. Lewis

\* **The Last Battle** by C.S. Lewis

**Black Horses for the King** by Anne McCaffrey

**Monks and Mystics Vol II: Chronicles of the Medieval Church** by Mindy and Brandon Withrow

**The White Knights** by W.E. Cule

**Catherine Called Birdy** by Karen Cushman (for girls only)

**Cathedral** by David Macauley

## Middle Ages and Renaissance (2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr)

\* **The Wise Woman and Other Stories (Fantasy Stories of George MacDonald)**

by George MacDonald

\***The Redwall** by Brian Jacques

**The Adventures of Robin Hood** by E. Charles Vivian

**The Hidden Treasure of Glaston** by Eleanore M. Jewett and Frederick T. Chapman

**Castle** by David Macaulay

**The Trumpeter of Krakow** by Eric P. Kelly

## Continental Reformation (3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr)

\* **Adam of the Road** by Elizabeth Janet Gray

\* **The Second Mrs. Giaconda** by E.L. Konigsburg

**The Great and Terrible Quest** by Margaret Lovett

**The Door in the Wall** by Marguerite de Angeli

**The Apprentice** by Juan Ramon Alonso

**Ink on His Fingers (A Story of Gutenberg)** by Louise Vernon

**Martin Luther: Hero of Faith** by Frederick Nohl

## British Reformation (4<sup>th</sup> Qtr)

\***Mary, Bloody Mary** by Carolyn Meyer

\***The Shakespeare Stealer** by Gary Blackwood

**This Was John Calvin** by Thea B. Van Halsema

**Courage and Conviction Vol III: Chronicles of the Reformation Church** by Mindy and Brandon Withrow

**Dutch Color** by Douglas Jones

**Huguenot Garden** by Douglas Jones

**The Dangerous Journey** by Oliver Hunkin

**Heralds of the Reformation** by Richard Hannula

**Scottish Seas,** by Douglas Jones

\* denotes read-aloud (select 4, one per quarter)

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Literature Reading List

Students read ONE of the following books each quarter for a literature test grade. Audio books are permitted for 1-2 books.

| <b>Title</b>   | <b>Author</b>                     | <b>Date</b> | <b>Parent Initials</b> |
|--|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| <b>Treasure Island *</b>                                       | Robert Louis Stevenson            |             |                        |
| <b>Around the World in Eighty Days</b>                         | Jules Verne                       |             |                        |
| <b>The First Four Years</b>                                    | Laura Ingalls Wilder              |             |                        |
| <b>Call of the Wild</b>  | Jack London                       |             |                        |
| <b>The Witch of Blackbird Pond *</b>                           | Elizabeth George Speare           |             |                        |
| <b>The Hobbit</b>  | J.R.R. Tolkien                    |             |                        |
| <b>Johnny Tremain *</b>  | Esther Forbes                     |             |                        |
| <b>Rip Van Winkle and The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</b>          | Washington Irving                 |             |                        |
| <b>Banner in the Sky *</b>                                     | James Ramsey Ullman               |             |                        |
| <b>Anne of Green Gables</b>                                    | L.M. Montgomery                   |             |                        |
| <b>The Wolves of Willoughby Chase</b>                          | Joan Aiken                        |             |                        |
| <b>The Finest Hours: The True Story of a Heroic Sea Rescue</b> | Michael J. Tougas & Casey Sherman |             |                        |

\* At least one of the starred books must be ready at some point during the year.