



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-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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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 (1st 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 (2nd 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 (3rd 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 (4th 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)

6th 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.

Title	Author	Date	Parent Initials
Treasure Island *	Robert Louis Stevenson		
Around the World in Eighty Days	Jules Verne		
The First Four Years	Laura Ingalls Wilder		
Call of the Wild	Jack London		
The Witch of Blackbird Pond *	Elizabeth George Speare		
The Hobbit	J.R.R. Tolkien		
Johnny Tremain *	Esther Forbes		
Crispin, The Cross of Lead	Avi		
Banner in the Sky *	James Ramsey Ullman		
Anne of Green Gables	L.M. Montgomery		
The Finest Hours: The True Story of a Heroic Sea Rescue	Michael J. Tougas & Casey Sherman		

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