



# 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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### 2025-2026 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.

#### Quarterly Requirements:

##### **Quarters 1 & 2**

**1 Read-Aloud each quarter**

**2 Readers each quarter**

##### **Quarters 3 & 4**

**1 Read Aloud each quarter**

**3 Readers each quarter**

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

#### Read-Alouds (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

**Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes** by Eleanor Coerr

**Pink and Say** by Patricia Polacco

**The Horse and His Boy** by C.S. Lewis (*can be read 4<sup>th</sup> quarter*)

#### Readers (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 Huchet Bishop  
**Thimble Summer** by Elizabeth Enright  
**Sunder** 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.*

## Quarterly Requirements:

### Quarters 1 & 2

**1 Read-Aloud each quarter**

**2 Readers each quarter**

### Quarters 3 & 4

**1 Read Aloud each quarter**

**3 Readers each quarter**

Title	Author	Date	Parent Initials	Teacher Initials
<b>Read Alouds- choose 4, parent reads</b>				
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			
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			
<b>Readers- choose 10 or more, student reads</b>				
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			
Souder	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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