



2026–2027

Book List

Grade 4



View book previews

Art

Art: Level 4

2 times/week 30 min *

GRADE(S): 4+



Drawing, Design, and Craft-Work

by Frederick J. Glass ISBN/ASIN: 978-1633340978

→ **RATIONALE:** This is an excellent guide to art instruction, with suggestions for how to begin, materials to use, and the directions future work may take. This book is profusely illustrated with clear explanations.

NOTE: The free link is a different edition, and the lesson plans will have different page numbers. Download the file to view the free version. It will likely appear blank in the PDF reader.

Alt. Formats: Ebook

SCOPE

Term 1 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

Option 1 Free

↔ SHARED

- Art: Level 1
- Art: Level 2
- Art: Level 3
- Art: Level 4
- Art: Level 5
- Art: Level 6
- Art: Level 8
- Art: Level 7
- Art: Fast Track
- Art: High School Fast Track



Brush Drawing as Applied to Natural Forms and Common Objects

by May Mallam ISBN/ASIN: 978-1633341050

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a complete guide to learning how to brush-draw. Exercises progress from simple lines to monochromatic value painting to painting in color. Techniques taught help students learn to "see" so that they can visually represent their observations.

SCOPE

Term 2 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

Option 1 Option 2

↔ SHARED

- Art: Level 4
- Art: Level 5
- Art: Level 6
- Art: Level 7
- Art: High School Fast Track

↔ Picture Study

- 1 time/week 10 min * (Grades 1-3)
1 time/week 15 min * (Grades 4-6)
1 time/week 20 min * (Grades 7-8)
1 time/week 20 min *or_ (Grades 9-12)

GRADE(S): 1-12

Grades 9-12 ONLY

OPTIONAL



Redeeming Vision

by Elissa Weichbrodt ISBN/ASIN: 978-1540965974

→ **RATIONALE:** Educators of all levels and high school students take the next step in deepening their relationship with art by contemplating a theology of art for viewers which impacts how we see as well as how we are and how we love. Practice in taking what has been learned in previous years along with new aspects of art elements and themes is guided by Dr. Weichbrodt.

Alt. Formats: Ebook

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

OPTIONAL



Art Print Set

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This art print set contains high-resolution images that are in the public domain or used for Alveary with permission. The Art Print Set contains paintings by each term's artist: Edward Mitchell Bannister, Vincent van Gogh, and Lilius Trotter. We recommend printing on cardstock. Hard copies will be available with lesson plans.

NOTE: Selections are also included in Our Work packets for Grades 1-12.

Alt. Formats: Ebook

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming April 1st](#)

Grades 1-2 ONLY



Our Work: Grades 1-2

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE
Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS
[Coming April 1st](#)

↔ **SHARED**
Recitation: Grades 1-2
Picture Study
Music: Intro
Music: Level 1

Grade 3 ONLY



Our Work: Grade 3

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE
Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS
[Coming April 1st](#)

↔ **SHARED**
Picture Study
Recitation: Grade 3
Music: Level 3

Grades 4-6 ONLY



Our Work: Grades 4-6

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE
Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS
[Coming April 1st](#)

↔ **SHARED**
Picture Study
Recitation: Grades 4-6
Music: Level 3
Music: Level 4
Music: Level 5

Grades 7–8 ONLY



Our Work: Grades 7–8

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming April 1st](#)

↔ SHARED

Picture Study
Recitation: Grades 7–8
Music: Level 5

Grades 9–12 ONLY



Our Work: Grades 9–12

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming April 1st](#)

↔ SHARED

Recitation: Grade 9
Recitation: Grade 10
Recitation: Grade 11
Recitation: Grade 12
Music: Level 5
Picture Study

Grades 9–12 ONLY

OPTIONAL



Van Gogh

by Ingo Walther & Rainer Metzger ISBN/ASIN: 978-3836557153

→ **RATIONALE:** This comprehensive study of Vincent van Gogh (1853–1890) pairs a detailed monograph on his life and art with a complete catalogue of his 871 paintings.

NOTE: Please note there is some minor nudity, and Van Gogh lived a tumultuous life, ultimately committing suicide.

SCOPE

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Grades 9–12 ONLY

OPTIONAL



A Passion for the Impossible: The Life of Lilius Trotter

by Miriam Rockness ISBN/ASIN: 978-1734400182

→ **RATIONALE:** An inspiring biography of Lilius Trotter, a British artist who forsook fame to devote her life to Christian missionary work in Algeria, guided by faith, creativity, and love.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

Bible

Bible: Grades 4–6

GRADE(S): 4–6

↔ Old Testament: Grades 3–6

2 times/week 20 min *

GRADE(S): 3–6



The Student Bible Atlas, Revised Edition

by Tim Dowley ISBN/ASIN: 978-1506400105 ✓ REFERENCE

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a simple, inexpensive Bible atlas that provides full-page maps of the biblical lands of the Old and New Testaments. In Bible lessons, students will be directed to look at specific pages. This resource is for Grades 3–8 ONLY.

→ May sub: other Bible atlas, though page numbers in lesson plans will not match.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1 (Selections)

Term 2 (Selections)

Term 3 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Old Testament: Grades 3–6

New Testament: Grades 3–6

New Testament: Grades 7–8

Old Testament: Grades 7–12

Story of Arithmetic: Part 1

Story of Geometry: Part 1



ESV Large Print Bible

ISBN/ASIN: 978-1433541537

→ **RATIONALE:** This large-print ESV Bible uses 12-point type for ease of reading

→ May sub: a translation of your choice.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1 (Selections)

Term 2 (Selections)

Term 3 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Old Testament: Grade 2

New Testament: Grade 2

Old Testament: Grades 3–6

New Testament: Grades 3–6



The New Manners and Customs of Bible Times

by Ralph Gower ISBN/ASIN: 978-0802459657

→ **RATIONALE:** Through illustrations, photos, and clear explanations, this best-selling reference book shows what life was like in Bible times and makes Scripture come to life as students imagine living in that time and place. We will assign certain sections before or after Bible readings that will help students understand the context of the passage and gain more insight into the culture and geography of Israel.

SCOPE

Term 1

Term 2

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

New Testament: Grades 3–6

Old Testament: Grades 3–6

↔ New Testament: Grades 3–6

2 times/week 20 min * 

GRADE(S): 3–6



The Student Bible Atlas, Revised Edition

by Tim Dowley ISBN/ASIN: 978-1506400105 ✓ REFERENCE

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a simple, inexpensive Bible atlas that provides full-page maps of the biblical lands of the Old and New Testaments. In Bible lessons, students will be directed to look at specific pages. This resource is for Grades 3–8 ONLY.

→ May sub: other Bible atlas, though page numbers in lesson plans will not match.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1 (Selections)

Term 2 (Selections)

Term 3 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Old Testament: Grades 3–6

New Testament: Grades 3–6

New Testament: Grades 7–8

Old Testament: Grades 7–12

Story of Arithmetic: Part 1

Story of Geometry: Part 1



ESV Large Print Bible

ISBN/ASIN: 978-1433541537

→ **RATIONALE:** This large-print ESV Bible uses 12-point type for ease of reading

→ May sub: a translation of your choice.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1 (Selections)

Term 2 (Selections)

Term 3 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Old Testament: Grade 2

New Testament: Grade 2

Old Testament: Grades 3–6

New Testament: Grades 3–6



The New Manners and Customs of Bible Times

by Ralph Gower ISBN/ASIN: 978-0802459657

→ **RATIONALE:** Through illustrations, photos, and clear explanations, this best-selling reference book shows what life was like in Bible times and makes Scripture come to life as students imagine living in that time and place. We will assign certain sections before or after Bible readings that will help students understand the context of the passage and gain more insight into the culture and geography of Israel.

SCOPE

Term 1

Term 2

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

New Testament: Grades 3–6

Old Testament: Grades 3–6

Church History: Grades 4–6

1 time/week 20 min * GRADE(S): 4–6



Hudson Taylor: Deep in the Heart of China

by Janet & Geoff Benge ISBN/ASIN: 978-1576580165

→ **RATIONALE:** Hudson Taylor (1832–1905), the founder of China Inland Mission, continues to inspire through the story of his love for the people of China and his trust in the Lord to provide financially for his ministry. Taylor faced persecution and loss in his own life in order to bring the gospel message to the “ripe harvest fields in China.”

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1

Term 2 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)



Trial by Poison: Mary Slessor

by Dave & Neta Jackson ISBN/ASIN: 978-1939445148

→ **RATIONALE:** Born in Scotland, Mary Slessor (1848–1915) became a missionary to Calabar, Africa (now Southern Nigeria) at the age of 27. As she moved further inland, she brought the gospel to unreached people and rescued many twin babies, who otherwise would have been killed because of the mistaken beliefs of their parents.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 2 (Partial Term)

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

Citizenship

Citizenship: Grade 4

GRADE(S): 4

First Citizen Stories

1 time/week 20 min *

GRADE(S): 4



Historical Atlas of the World 6th Ed.

by Rand McNally ISBN/ASIN: 978-0528026553 ✓ REFERENCE

→ **RATIONALE:** Presents important periods and turning points in 5,000 years of history. Thematic maps include literacy, languages, religions, and more. Used across curriculum.

SCOPE

Term 1 (One Lesson)

Term 3 (One Lesson)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Resources: Grades 4–6

Resources: Grades 7–8

Resources: Grade 9

Resources: Grade 10

Resources: Grade 11

Resources: Grade 12

Story of Arithmetic: Part 1

Story of Arithmetic: Part 2

Story of Geometry: Part 1

Plutarch: Grades 6–8

First Citizen Stories



Stories From the History of Rome

by Emily Beesly ISBN/ASIN: 978-1599152646

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a narrative introduction to the stories students will read later in Plutarch's Lives.

NOTE: Contains some violence that may be disturbing for sensitive children.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

English

Language Study: Grade 4

GRADE(S): 4

Grammar: Grade 4

2 times/week 15 min * [T](#)

GRADE(S): 4



Grammar Island

by Michael Clay Thompson ISBN/ASIN: 978-0880928427

→ **RATIONALE:** This program brings story, delight, and ideas to the study of grammar. Grammar Island _ _ introduces, in a simple fashion, the full four-level grammar analysis of (1) parts of speech, (2) parts of the sentence, (3) phrases, and (4) clauses.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)



Grammar Island Teacher Manual (select pages)

by Michael Clay Thompson

NOTE: Used with publisher's permission.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Free](#)



Practice Island

by Michael Clay Thompson ISBN/ASIN: 978-0880928809

→ **RATIONALE:** Practice Island is a workbook with practice sentences that is used in conjunction with Grammar Island.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

↔ SHARED

Grammar: Grade 4

Grammar: Grade 5



Practice Island Teacher Manual (select pages)

by Michael Clay Thompson

NOTE: Used with publisher's permission.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Free](#)

↔ SHARED

Grammar: Grade 4

Grammar: Grade 5

Dictation: Grade 4

3 times/week 15 min *

GRADE(S): 4



Grade 4 Copywork & Dictation Book

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** Copywork and dictation passages taken from the books and poems from this year.

NOTE: Also included in the Grade 4 Bundles available with Alveary Printing store.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1

Term 2

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming Soon](#)

↔ SHARED

Penmanship & Copywork:

Grade 4

Dictation: Grade 4

Penmanship & Copywork: Grade 4

5 times/week 10 min *

GRADE(S): 4

CHOOSE ONE



Getty-Dubay® Italic Handwriting Book E

by Handwriting Success ISBN/ASIN: 978-0964921580

→ **RATIONALE:** While practicing cursive italic, students explore the many facets of the world of science — the animal kingdom, DNA, photosynthesis, minerals, continents, biomes, our solar system, and galaxy. Practice with capitals: cities of the world and history of letters.

NOTE: Choose this OR Italics by Penny Gardner. You do not need the Instruction Manual. Necessary instructions will be included in the lesson plans.

→ May sub: penmanship model of your choice or Penny Gardner

Discount: 15%

→ With code: ALVEARYMEMBER

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

CHOOSE ONE



Italics: Beautiful Handwriting for Children

by Penny Gardner

→ **RATIONALE:** We like this model because it is lovely, yet simple. Both the print and cursive models are in italic, making this a solid foundation for fine lettering later. Some may prefer a more traditional cursive model.

NOTE: Choose this OR Getty-Dubay Handwriting Series.

→ May sub: penmanship model of your choice or Getty-Dubay Handwriting Series

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

↔ SHARED

Penmanship & Copywork:
Grade 1
Penmanship & Copywork:
Grade 2
Penmanship & Copywork:
Grade 3
Penmanship & Copywork:
Grade 4
Penmanship & Copywork:
Grade 5
Penmanship & Copywork:
Grade 6



Grade 4 Copywork & Dictation Book

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** Copywork and dictation passages taken from the books and poems from this year.

NOTE: Also included in the Grade 4 Bundles available with Alveary Printing store.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming Soon](#)

↔ SHARED

Penmanship & Copywork:
Grade 4
Dictation: Grade 4

Recitation: Grades 4-6

5 times/week 10 min *

GRADE(S): 4-6



Our Work: Grades 4-6

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming April 1st](#)

↔ SHARED

Picture Study
Recitation: Grades 4-6
Music: Level 3
Music: Level 4
Music: Level 5

Geography

Geography: Grades 4-6

2 times/week 25 min *

GRADE(S): 4-6



Student World Atlas 6th Ed.

by National Geographic ISBN/ASIN: 978-1426373435 ✓ REFERENCE

→ RATIONALE: This atlas is used across the curriculum as a reference and as a text to read in some lessons. With interesting information and pictures, this is an economical reference for students.

→ May sub: other atlases; however, map work and other lessons refer specifically to this one.

SCOPE

Term 1 (Selections)
Term 2 (Selections)
Term 3 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Geography: Grade 2 (U.S.)
Geography: Grades 4-6
Geography: Grade 7 (U.S.)
Geography: Grade 3 (U.S.)
Geography: Grade 8 (U.S.)
Geography: Grade 8 (Canada)
Story of Arithmetic: Part 1
Story of Arithmetic: Part 2



Africa Is Not a Country

by Margy Burns Knight ISBN/ASIN: 978-1728460390

→ RATIONALE: This nonfiction picture book introduces students to the diversity of the African continent. Using photographs and short descriptions, it shows students that Africa is made up of many different countries, cultures, languages, landscapes, and ways of life. It will be read slowly throughout the year to help students get a better picture of modern-day Africa.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



David Livingstone: African Explorer

by John Tiner ISBN/ASIN: 978-0880621649

→ RATIONALE: Students will be intrigued by David Livingstone's (1813-1873) adventurous spirit, near-death experiences, as well as the flora and fauna of Africa. This book begins with David in his home country of Scotland and tells how he made his way to Africa. Our lesson plans provide map drills and mapping activities not only about Africa, but also about how to create other kinds of maps based on one's room or neighborhood.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

History

History: Grade 4 (U.S.)

GRADE(S): 4

↔ U.S. History: Grades 4-6

1 time/week 25 min *

GRADE(S): 4-6

**Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African Americans**

by Kadir Nelson ISBN/ASIN: 978-0061730795

→ **RATIONALE:** This book is written in the voice of an old African American grandmother taking a child on her knee to tell the stories of the black experience throughout American history. A couple of chapters are read each term. It will also be used the following year.

NOTE: Available on Learning Ally with Audio.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)**SCOPE**Term 1 (Partial Term)
Term 2 (Partial Term)
Term 3 (Partial Term)**PURCHASE OPTIONS**[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)**SeaMan: The Dog Who Explored The West With Lewis & Clark**

by Gail Langer Karwoski ISBN/ASIN: 978-1561451906

→ **RATIONALE:** The exciting adventures of Lewis and Clark are captured in this engaging book. This fictional account is full of accurate details drawn from Lewis's own diary entries. This book provides students an interesting and accessible way to understand the challenges, dangers, and daily life of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)**SCOPE**

Term 1

PURCHASE OPTIONS[Option 1](#)**Lincoln: A Photobiography**

by Russell Freedman ISBN/ASIN: 978-0395518489

→ **RATIONALE:** This book follows the events leading up to, during, and after the Civil War through the life of Abraham Lincoln. As students read about Lincoln's personal and public struggles, students will learn about the character and leadership of this man during one of the most tumultuous times of our nation's history. This is the first war during which photography was used to show the people back home what war was really like, so the images capture not only the events, but also the new technology of the age.

NOTE: Available on Learning Ally with Audio.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)**SCOPE**

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Children of the Wild West

by Russell Freedman ISBN/ASIN: 978-0395547854

→ **RATIONALE:** The author does an excellent job of showing what it was like for pioneer children to experience life in the 1800's. Many fascinating photographs are included that help students see how different life was back then. He also tells about what life was like for some Native American children who had to navigate boarding schools and give up their traditional ways.

NOTE: Available with Audio on Learning Ally.

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ World History: Grades 4-6

1 time/week 25 min *

GRADE(S): 4-6



Under the Hawthorn Tree

by Marita Conlon-McKenna ISBN/ASIN: 978-1402219061

→ **RATIONALE:** This book is a fictional account of a family during the 1840s when Ireland was devastated by the potato famine. Although it is a dark time in history, this story also shows the resilience of the three siblings, who continue to care for one another despite hunger, fear, and constant uncertainty. This is an important event that helps students understand why so many Irish immigrants came to the US during this time period.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



William Wilberforce: The Freedom Fighter

by Derick Bingham ISBN/ASIN: 978-1857923711

→ **RATIONALE:** This biography tells about the man who dedicated his life to ending the slave trade and slavery in the British Empire. The book follows the life of William Wilberforce (1759-1833) beginning with his days as a school boy to being a member in Parliament who risked being thought a fool for standing by his principles. Students will not only learn about this man of God but also learn about what was happening in England during this time period.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Commodore Perry in the Land of the Shogun

by Rhoda Blumberg ISBN/ASIN: 978-0060086251

→ **RATIONALE:** During this period in history, Japan had been isolated from the outside world for centuries. But when American Commodore Perry and his troops sailed to Japan with a letter from the President, everything began to change. This Newberry Honor book is an engaging way for students to explore global history, diplomacy, and cultural change through a well-told true story.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

History: Grade 4 (Canada)

GRADE(S): 4

↔ Canadian History: Grades 2-4

1 time/week 20 min * [T](#) | GRADE(S): 2-4



The Kids Book of Canadian History

by Carlotta Hacker ISBN/ASIN: 978-1554533282

→ **RATIONALE:** This book brings Canada's history to life with engaging illustrations, helpful maps, and a narrative that keeps the complex events of our nation's past straightforward enough for even the youngest historians.

SCOPE

Term 1 (Partial Term)
Term 2 (Partial Term)
Term 3 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



The Spirit of Canada: Canada's Story in Legends, Fiction, Poems, and Songs

by Barbara Hehner ISBN/ASIN: 978-1894121149

→ **RATIONALE:** Organized thematically, this beautiful anthology encompasses a wide variety of voices and stories that reflect Canada's past and present. It is an excellent accompaniment to Canadian history and literature, as it contains many different genres: poems, songs, letters, legends, stories, folk tales, historical accounts, and more.

NOTE: Canadian students should purchase this book and NOT American Tall Tales for the Tall Tales/Fables course.

SCOPE

Term 1 (Selections)
Term 2 (Selections)
Term 3 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Canadian History: Grades 2-4
Tall Tales/ Fables



Laura Secord's Brave Walk

by Connie Brummel Crook ISBN/ASIN: 978-1-896764-34-4

→ **RATIONALE:** Laura Secord's Brave Walk introduces young readers to the War of 1812 through the courage of one Canadian, who embarked on a long journey through a forest at night to deliver a message to the British troops. The engaging narrative and illustrations bring this episode of Canadian history to life for young readers.

SCOPE

Term 1 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)



Belle of Batoche

by Jacqueline Guest ISBN/ASIN: 9781551432977

→ **RATIONALE:** Belle of Batoche is a work of historical fiction which imagines one girl's experience in the Battle of Batoche in 1885, where Métis fighters led by Louis Riel raised an ultimately unsuccessful defence against Canadian militia troops in Batoche, Saskatchewan. A simple story of two girls' rivalry and eventual friendship is woven into an historically-accurate depiction both of life in the late-nineteenth century Canadian prairies and of specific events from the battle itself.

SCOPE

Term 2 (Partial Term)

Term 3 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

NOTE: This is good as an independent read for Grade 4 or confident readers.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)



Born!: A Foal, Five Kittens and Confederation

by Deirdre Kessler ISBN/ASIN: 9781927502334

→ **RATIONALE:** A delightful story about the everyday life of twin siblings in Charlottetown during the Charlottetown Conference of 1864. Readers will learn about everyday life in nineteenth-century British North America as well as the events and political figures who were key to establishing Canada's Confederation.

SCOPE

Term 2 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)



I Am Not a Ghost: The Canadian Pacific Railway

by David Bouchard ISBN/ASIN: 978-1778242816

→ **RATIONALE:** This beautifully-illustrated book tells the story of Chinese railway workers whose contributions to the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway were essential, yet who faced racism, hardships, exploitation, and even death. At the heart of this story is friendship and hope, when one gravely ill Chinese man is saved and cared for by Amelia Douglas, a Métis woman who was the wife of the first governor of British Columbia, as well as a trained nurse and midwife.

SCOPE

Term 3 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

[Option 2](#)

↔ World History: Grades 4-6

1 time/week 25 min *

GRADE(S): 4-6



Under the Hawthorn Tree

by Marita Conlon-McKenna ISBN/ASIN: 978-1402219061

→ **RATIONALE:** This book is a fictional account of a family during the 1840s when Ireland was devastated by the potato famine. Although it is a dark time in history, this story also shows the resilience of the three siblings, who continue to care for one another despite hunger, fear, and constant uncertainty. This is an important event that helps students understand why so many Irish immigrants came to the US during this time period.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



William Wilberforce: The Freedom Fighter

by Derick Bingham ISBN/ASIN: 978-1857923711

→ **RATIONALE:** This biography tells about the man who dedicated his life to ending the slave trade and slavery in the British Empire. The book follows the life of William Wilberforce (1759-1833) beginning with his days as a school boy to being a member in Parliament who risked being thought a fool for standing by his principles. Students will not only learn about this man of God but also learn about what was happening in England during this time period.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Commodore Perry in the Land of the Shogun

by Rhoda Blumberg ISBN/ASIN: 978-0060086251

→ **RATIONALE:** During this period in history, Japan had been isolated from the outside world for centuries. But when American Commodore Perry and his troops sailed to Japan with a letter from the President, everything began to change. This Newberry Honor book is an engaging way for students to explore global history, diplomacy, and cultural change through a well-told true story.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Life Skills

Sloyd: Level 3

1 time/week 20 min _

GRADE(S): 4+



Paper Sloyd for Primary Grades

by Ednah Rich ISBN/ASIN: 978-1633340930

→ **RATIONALE:** This book begins with very simple models; difficulty increases gradually.

NOTE: Be sure to purchase the Yesterday's Classics edition, as other editions have issues with formatting and readability. Video tutorials are provided with lesson plans.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

↔ SHARED

Sloyd: Level 1
Sloyd: Level 2
Sloyd: Level 3

↔ Handicrafts

1 time/week 20 min * (Grades 2-3)
1 time/week 30 min (Grades 4-12)

GRADE(S): 2-12

OPTIONAL



The Ultimate Sashiko Sourcebook

by Susan Briscoe ISBN/ASIN: 978-0715318478

→ **RATIONALE:** Students will use the illustrations and directions in the book to learn Sashiko techniques and designs.

SCOPE

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Sewing: Level 2

1 time/week 20 min

GRADE(S): 4-6



The Amazing Stitching Handbook for Kids: 17 Embroidery Stitches

by Kristin Nicholas ISBN/ASIN: 978-1607059738

→ **RATIONALE:** This book contains embroidery stitches that can be added to sewing projects.

→ May sub: another sewing book.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Keyboarding

2 times/week 30 min _ 

GRADE(S): 4-8



Typing.com

→ RATIONALE: This program uses fun activities and games to teach keyboarding fluency.

NOTE: Create a free account.

Alt. Formats:  Ebook

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

Free

Literature

Literature: Grade 4

GRADE(S): 4

Mythology/Hist. Fiction: Grade 4

1 time/week 20 min * 

GRADE(S): 4



In the Days of Giants

by Abbie Farwell Brown ISBN/ASIN: 979-8369898727

→ RATIONALE: The Greeks were not the only ones with a story tradition that influenced Western culture. These Norse stories have also been highly influential, and Brown has retold them beautifully.

Alt. Formats:  Ebook

 Audiobook

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

Option 1  Free



Russian Fairy Tales

by Alexander Afanasyev ISBN/ASIN: 978-1916581104

→ **RATIONALE:** Pushkin, Afanasyev, and many others wrote and collected Russian folk tales in the 19th century. Students read a few tales in the lesson plans and may enjoy the others on their own time.

NOTE: Although the free and hard copy editions are not identical, they are from the same translator with nearly identical language. The tales scheduled in the lesson plans are included in both texts and are only scheduled for a few weeks.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 2 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

↔ SHARED

Mythology/Hist. Fiction:
Grade 4
Lit./Mythology: Grade 5–6



Short Stories & Folktales

by Various

→ **RATIONALE:** Lesson plans curate and include additional folk tales and shorter writings from 19th century authors such as Tolstoy and George Macdonald.

SCOPE

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Included in Lessons](#)

↔ SHARED

Lit./Mythology: Grade 5–6
Mythology/Hist. Fiction:
Grade 4



South American Jungle Tales

by Horacio Quiroga ISBN/ASIN: 978-9362232557

→ **RATIONALE:** A Uruguayan author and playwright who lived at the end of the 19th century, Quiroga is sometimes compared to Rudyard Kipling and Edgar Allan Poe.

NOTE: Students only read a tale or two from this collection, so the free version is recommended.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 2 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

↔ SHARED

Mythology/Hist. Fiction:
Grade 4
Lit./Mythology: Grade 5–6



The Tales of Uncle Remus: The Adventures of Brer Rabbit

by Julius Lester ISBN/ASIN: 978-0142407202

→ **RATIONALE:** Whether he is besting Brer Fox or sneaking into Mr. Man's garden, Brer Rabbit demonstrates that brains are better than brawn, along with other life lessons. These classic tales from the African American tradition are full of humor and creativity, and Julius Lester's retelling makes them a delight for readers today.

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3 (Selections)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

General Lit.: Grade 4

1 time/week 20 min *

GRADE(S): 4



The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

by C. S. Lewis ISBN/ASIN: 978-0064471046

→ **RATIONALE:** This piece of classic literature by C.S. Lewis was chosen to foster students' moral formation and love for a well-told story.

NOTE: Available on Learning Ally with Audio.

→ May sub: another in the Narnia series or a title in adjacent grades if students have already read The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Hans Brinker or The Silver Skates

by Mary Mapes Dodge ISBN/ASIN: 978-0689849091

→ **RATIONALE:** Mary Mapes Dodge was recognized as one of the leading authors of children's literature during the 19th century, and Hans Brinker is her most famous work. With themes of perseverance and selflessness, Hans Brinker's heartwarming tale of two siblings delights, instructs, and expands the imagination.

NOTE: Available on Learning Ally with Audio.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 2 (Partial Term)
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

General Lit.: Grade 4
General Lit.: Grades 5–6

Shakespeare: Beginner Track

1 time/week 30 min *

GRADE(S): 4–8



A Midsummer Night's Dream

by William Shakespeare ISBN/ASIN: 978-1501146213

→ **RATIONALE:** One of Shakespeare's most popular plays, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* is a comedy set in Greece during the 12th century. The magical setting of this play is the city of Athens and the nearby enchanted woods where fairies and their mischief reign in the moonlight.

NOTE: This is a good play for those who are newer to Shakespeare.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

OPTIONAL



A Midsummer Night's Dream (Audio recording)

by Arkangel ISBN/ASIN: BOOK8FZAUC

→ **RATIONALE:** Hearing a play being performed often helps students with comprehension. These professional recordings are superb.

→ May sub: LibriVox recording.

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

Poetry: Grades 1-4

5 times/week 5 min *

GRADE(S): 1-4



Over the River and Through the Wood: An Anthology of Nineteenth-Century American Children's Poetry

by Karen L. Kilcup (Editor) & Angela Sorby (Editor) ISBN/ASIN: 978-1421411392

→ **RATIONALE:** A beautiful collection of 19th century children's poetry for all ages.

NOTE: Grades 5-6 can substitute *A Poem for Every Day of the Year* edited by Allie Esiri if desired.

→ May sub: Public domain links

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Poetry: Grades 1-4
Poetry: Grades 5-6
Poetry Reading: Grade 7
Poetry Reading: Grade 8



The Crescent Moon

by Rabindranath Tagore ISBN/ASIN: 978-1541093935

→ **RATIONALE:** This delightful collection of children's poetry was translated from Bengali into English by Tagore himself. Lesson plans will draw from this collection and include links to additional poetry by this famous 19th century author.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE
Term 1

PURCHASE OPTIONS
[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

↔ **SHARED**

Poetry: Grades 1-4

Poetry: Grades 5-6

Poetry Reading: Grade 7

Poetry Reading: Grade 8

Poetry Reading: Grades 9-12



Gladiola Garden

by Effie Lee Newsome ISBN/ASIN: 978-1922348371

→ **RATIONALE:** This book by a lesser-known American poet contains beautiful nature poetry and illustrations for children.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE
Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS
[Option 1](#) [Free](#)



Emma's Poem: The Voice of the Statue of Liberty

by Linda Glaser ISBN/ASIN: 978-0544105089

→ **RATIONALE:** This delightful picture book tells the fascinating story of the poem engraved on the Statue of Liberty.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS
[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Math

Mathematics: Grade 4

GRADE(S): 4

Math Lessons: Grade 4

5 times/week 20 min * T

GRADE(S): 4



RightStart Mathematics Level D 2nd Ed. Book Bundle

→ **RATIONALE:** RightStart is based on discovery, using a wide range of manipulatives. It is an up-to-date, spiraling program that uses methods that are heavily supported by current research.

→ Students also need the RS2 Math Set.

NOTE: The "Free" link will take you to a YouTube playlist where a master teacher will show you how to teach these lessons.
eWorkbooks are available for multiple students.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Video](#)

↔ Math Games: Grades 1-8

3 times/week 15 min+ T

GRADE(S): 1-8



Math Card Games Kit

by RightStart

→ **RATIONALE:** Kit is recommended for those who do not use RightStart Math; kit is included in the RS2 Math Set.

→ Additional recommended game titles will be listed with the Lesson Plans for each level of mathematics.

→ May sub: any games that allow students to practice math concepts and skills.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

Modern Language

Lower French: Grades 1-6

3 times/week 20 min * T (Grades 1-3)

5 times/week 20 min * T (Grades 4-6)

GRADE(S): 1-6



French: Grades 1-6 SoundCloud Playlists

by Alveary

Alt. Formats: Audiobook

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Included in Lessons](#)



French: Student Notebook

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This notebook contains markable copies of lesson readings, vocabulary lists, and lyrics for songs.

NOTE: This notebook is also available as part of hard-copy lessons in the print store.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming June 1st](#)



Linnea in Monet's Garden

by Christina Björk ISBN/ASIN: 978-1402277290

→ **RATIONALE:** This beautifully illustrated children's book introduces readers to art, history, travel, and the life of the famous Impressionist painter Claude Monet through the eyes of a curious young girl. The watercolor paintings and reproductions of Monet's work provide a great way for students to learn French vocabulary during the picture study lessons.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Lower Spanish: Grades 1-6

3 times/week 20 min * [T](#) (Grades 1-3)
5 times/week 20 min * [T](#) (Grades 4-6)

GRADE(S): 1-6



Diez Deditos (Audio mp3)

by Jose-Luis Orozco

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a collection of traditional songs in Spanish.

NOTE: Option 1 is a link to stream with Spotify, or Option 2 is a link to purchase the CD.

→ May sub: favorite streaming service

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Diez Deditos and Other Play Rhymes and Action Songs from Latin America

by José-Luis Orozco ISBN/ASIN: 978-0142300879

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a collection of finger rhymes and action songs in Spanish.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Spanish: Grades 1–6 SoundCloud Playlists

by Alveary

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Included in Lessons](#)



Fábulas de Esopo: Edición Clásica

by Aesop ISBN/ASIN: 978-1400349326

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Family Pictures/Cuadros de familia

by Carmen Lomas Garza ISBN/ASIN: 978-0892392070

→ **RATIONALE:** The vibrant paintings and warm personal stories depict memories of the author growing up in a traditional Mexican-American family. This book is a great way to learn Spanish vocabulary during the picture study lessons.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Spanish: Student Notebook

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This notebook contains markable copies of lesson readings, vocabulary lists, and answers to reading questions and grammar exercises.

NOTE: This notebook is available as a hard copy with Spanish lessons in the Alveary print store.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Coming June 1st](#)

Music

Music: Level 3

GRADE(S): 4+

OPTIONAL**Hymns, Spirituals, & Folk Songs PDF**

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** Selections are also included in Our Work packets for Grades 1-12. Audio lessons and other resources are available in lesson plans.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)**SCOPE**

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONSComing April 1st**↔ SHARED**

Music: Intro
Music: Level 1
Music: Level 2
Music: Level 3
Music: Level 4
Music: Level 5

Grade 3 ONLY**Our Work: Grade 3**

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)**SCOPE**

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONSComing April 1st**↔ SHARED**

Picture Study
Recitation: Grade 3
Music: Level 3

Grades 4-6 ONLY**Our Work: Grades 4-6**

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a compilation of the year's Recitation, Picture Study, Hymns, Spirituals, and Folk Songs. Line drawings of artifacts from the historical time period are also included to provide students with inspiration for their Book of Centuries. We recommend printing or purchasing a copy for each student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)**SCOPE**

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONSComing April 1st**↔ SHARED**

Picture Study
Recitation: Grades 4-6
Music: Level 3
Music: Level 4
Music: Level 5

↔ Composer Study

1 time/week 10 min * (Grades 2-4)
1 time/week 15 min * (Grades 5-12)

GRADE(S): 2-12



Playlist for the Year

by Alveary

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Included in Lessons](#)

OPTIONAL

CHOOSE ONE



Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition

by Anna Harwell Celenza ISBN/ASIN: 978-1580895286

→ **RATIONALE:** This book tells the sad but touching story behind Mussorgsky's famous composition to honor his friend's paintings.

NOTE: For Composer Study Term 3, choose either Blind Tom OR Modest Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition" to study for the first part of the term. This book is optional and is not required to complete the lessons.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#)

CHOOSE ONE



Song in a Rainstorm: The Story of Musical Prodigy Thomas "Blind Tom" Wiggins

by Glenda Armand ISBN/ASIN: 978-0807509418

→ **RATIONALE:** "Had he been born in our time," the author writes, "he might have been called an autistic musical savant." Students will enjoy this picture book biography of an incredible American performer and composer during the last half of the 19th century.

NOTE: For Composer Study Term 3, choose either Blind Tom OR Modest Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition" to study for the first part of the term. Blind Tom is recommended for younger students.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ Hymns & Spirituals

1 time/week 10 min *

GRADE(S): 1-12



Our Hymns, Our Heritage

by David & Barbara Leeman ISBN/ASIN: 978-0802429292

→ **RATIONALE:** This student hymnal contains multi-denominational hymns organized by the church year, with brief histories of the music and lyrics, bios of the writers, related Scripture, and other ideas to meditate upon.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ Folk Songs

1 time/week 10 min *

GRADE(S): 1-12



Like a Bird: The Art of the American Slave Song

by Cynthia Grady ISBN/ASIN: 978-1728466989

→ **RATIONALE:** This is a collection of African American spirituals, along with their stories and beautiful illustrations.

NOTE: 1-2 songs from this book are chosen most years.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Sol-fa: Level 3

1 time/week 15 min *

GRADE(S): 4+



Fifty Steps in Sight-Singing

by Arthur Somervell ISBN/ASIN: B0088OK172

→ **RATIONALE:** Classic text to teach sight-singing.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Free](#)

↔ SHARED

Sol-fa: Level 3
Sol-fa: Level 4
Sol-fa: Level 5



Sol-fa Level 3 Audio Lessons

by Alveary

NOTE: These will also be linked in the lesson plans. These will be available June 1.

Alt. Formats: [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Playlist](#)

Physical Education

PE: Grades 4-6

GRADE(S): 4-6

↔ Playground Games

1 time/week 20 min *or_

GRADE(S): 4-12



The Ultimate Homeschool Physical Education Game Book

by Guy Bailey ISBN/ASIN: 978-0966972740

→ **RATIONALE:** This book contains time-honored and newer playground games and skill-building activities for organized sports.

→ May sub: The Physical Educator's Big Book of Sport Lead-Up Games if you have a co-op or school.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Playground Games
Sports

↔ Sports

1 time/week 20 min *or_

GRADE(S): 4-12



The Ultimate Homeschool Physical Education Game Book

by Guy Bailey ISBN/ASIN: 978-0966972740

→ **RATIONALE:** This book contains time-honored and newer playground games and skill-building activities for organized sports.

→ May sub: The Physical Educator's Big Book of Sport Lead-Up Games if you have a co-op or school.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ SHARED

Playground Games
Sports

↔ Free Play/ Circuits

2 times/week 20 min *or_

GRADE(S): 4-12



303 Tween-Approved Exercises and Active Games

by Kimberly Wechsler ISBN/ASIN: 978-0897936200

→ **RATIONALE:** This book provides a great list of exercises that includes strength training, flexibility exercises, and cardiovascular activities. This can be used in a group or with one student.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

↔ Folk Dancing

1 time/week 20 min *

GRADE(S): 1-6



The Book of Song Dances

by John Feierabend ISBN/ASIN: 978-1622776887

→ **RATIONALE:** This book uses traditional songs, rhymes, and dances to teach children basic dance steps.

NOTE: Instructional videos will be available June 1.

→ May sub: earlier edition, but some dances have different page numbers.

SCOPE

Term 1
Term 2
Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Science

Science: Grade 4

GRADE(S): 4

General Science: Grade 4

1 time/week 20 min *

GRADE(S): 4



The Universe in You: A Microscopic Journey

by Jason Chin ISBN/ASIN: 978-0823450701

→ **RATIONALE:** This stunning picture book introduces students to things-too-small-to-see. With beautiful artwork and accessible language, this title is sure to inspire everyone to look more closely.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1 (Partial Term)

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



To Fly: The Story of the Wright Brothers

by Wendie Old ISBN/ASIN: 978-0618133475

→ **RATIONALE:** This book tells the story of an important technology that students have probably observed and maybe even used. Along the way, they learn how the Wright Brothers were driven by curiosity and inspiration and how they persisted to solve one of the biggest challenges of their day.

→ May sub: First to Fly by Peter Busby

SCOPE

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



The Elephant Scientist

by Caitlin O'Connell and Donna M. Jackson ISBN/ASIN: 978-0544668300

→ **RATIONALE:** Challenges arise when wild animals meet human communities. The scientist in this story not only observes elephants, but she also uses what she learns from them, along with what she already knows about sound waves, to collaborate with the local community to navigate such challenges.

NOTE: Available on Learning Ally with VoiceText.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Natural History: Grade 4

1 time/week 15 min *

GRADE(S): 4



A World in a Drop of Water: Exploring with a Microscope

by Alvin and Virginia Silverstein ISBN/ASIN: 978-0486403816

→ **RATIONALE:** This book introduces students to the microscopic creatures that live in natural water. They will examine pond water under a microscope to see the hidden lives of single-celled organisms.

NOTE: Available on Kindle with enhanced typesetting.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



The Octopus Scientists: Exploring the Mind of a Mollusk

by Sy Montgomery ISBN/ASIN: 978-0358569749

→ **RATIONALE:** This book provides students with a closer look at a creature from the family Mollusca. With respect and persistence, the author pursues the mysterious and fascinating octopus – and shares all that she learns with us, of course!

NOTE: Available on Audible and Kindle with enhanced typesetting and Learning Ally with VoiceText.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#) [Audiobook](#)

SCOPE

Term 2

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)



Life on Surtsey: Iceland's Upstart Island

by Loree Griffin Burns ISBN/ASIN: 978-0358348238

→ **RATIONALE:** In 1963, a volcano erupted and created a new island off the coast of Iceland. This book tells the story of the scientists who are watching and recording life unfold through primary succession.

NOTE: Available on Kindle with enhanced typesetting.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Option 1](#) [Option 2](#)

Labs: Grade 4

1 time/week 30 min * GRADE(S): 4



Science: Grade 4 Lab Book

by Alveary

→ **RATIONALE:** This document contains all the labs for Grade 4, including instructions, procedures, and leveled guidance for analyses and using a lab notebook. The teacher's primary role is teaching students to follow directions.

NOTE: Relevant supplies from the Grade 4 list are further detailed in the Table of Contents for the Lab Book. It is recommended that supplies are obtained either for the year or by term.

NOTE: Also included in Grade 4 Bundles with Alveary Printing store.

Alt. Formats: [Ebook](#)

SCOPE

Term 1

Term 2

Term 3

PURCHASE OPTIONS

[Included in Lessons](#)

