



Integrated Study Resources
History, Religion, and Literature
Lower Grammar Stage

A Note on How to Use our Book Lists

The lists below contain both required reading, marked with an asterisk, and possible additional readings. The required reading provides the teacher and students with a historical narrative and necessary core knowledge, as well as gives them the most important stories and texts related to the time period or subject. The other readings have been chosen either because they will further aid the teacher in creating a historical narrative, or because they provide resources for creatively integrating topics and themes of mutual interest to students and teachers.

Kindergarten

Quarter	History and Religion	Literature
One <i>The First Kingdoms</i>	Teacher Texts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Volume 1: Ancient Times (chapters 1-6), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Volume 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • The Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt, Elizabeth Payne • New Catholic Picture Bible (pp. 8-19), Lawrence Lovasik, • The Usborne Internet-Linked Ancient World • The Biblical World: An Illustrated Atlas (National Geographic), Jean-Pierre Isbouts Supplemental Texts • Ancient Egypt (DK Eyewitness) • Ancient Egyptians and Their Neighbors: An Activity Guide, Marian Broida 	Literature Related to History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gods of Ancient Egypt (Dover), Bruce LaFontaine • The Well of Truth: A Folktale from Egypt, Martha Hamilton Tales of Ancient Egypt, Roger Lancelyn Green

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mummies Made in Egypt, Aliko • Pyramid, David MacAulay 	
<p>Two:</p> <p>The Ancient Middle East</p>	<p>Teacher Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 5, 7, 8), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • New Catholic Picture Bible (pp. 20-47), Lawrence Lovasik • The Usborne Internet-Linked Ancient World • The Biblical World: An Illustrated Atlas (National Geographic), Jean-Pierre Isbouts <p>Supplemental Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mesopotamia (DK Eyewitness) 	<p>Literature Related to History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lugalbanda, Kathy Henderson • The City of Rainbow: A Tale of Ancient Sumer, Karen Foster • Gilgamesh the King, Ludmilla Zeman • The Last Quest of Gilgamesh, Ludmilla Zeman • The Revenge of Ishtar, Ludmilla Zeman
<p>Three:</p> <p>Kingdoms at War</p>	<p>Teacher Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 12, 15, 16, 17), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • The Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt, Elizabeth Payne *New Catholic Picture Bible (pp. 48-73), Lawrence Lovasik • The Usborne Internet-Linked Ancient World • The Biblical World: An Illustrated Atlas (National Geographic), Jean-Pierre Isbouts <p>Supplemental Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ancient Egypt (DK Eyewitness) • Mesopotamia (DK Eyewitness) 	<p>Literature Related to History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tales of Ancient Egypt, Roger Lancelyn Green
<p>Four:</p> <p>Revolutions and Returns</p>	<p>Teacher Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 13, 16, 17, 21), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer 	<p>Literature Related to History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tales of Ancient Egypt, Roger Lancelyn Green • The Legend of the Persian Carpet, Tomie de Paolo

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Literature Related Thematically

Books with Classical Themes

- St. George and the Dragon, Margaret Hodges
- The Wicked Prince, Hans Christian Anderson
- The Clown of God, Tomie de Paolo

Books, Fairy and Folk Tales, Rhymes, and Verse

- English Fairy Tales, Flora Ann Steel
- Little Dermot and the Thirsty Stones, and Other Irish Folk Talks, Richard Bennet
- The King's Drum and Other Stories, Harold Courlander (African)
- The Blue Fairy Book, The Orange Fairy Book, The Green Fairy Book, Andrew Lang
- The Story of Peter Rabbit, Beatrix Potter Mother Goose Rhymes, Traditional
- Winnie the Pooh, A.A. Milne
- The Wheel on the School, Meindert De Jong
- Far Out the Long Canal, Meindert De Jong
- The Velveteen Rabbit, Margery Williams
- The Mousehole Cat, Antonia Barber
- Time of Wonder, Robert McCloskey
- The Wind in the Willows, Kenneth Grahame
- Frog and Toad (series), Arnold Lobel
- The Empty Pot, Demi Pinnochio, Carlo Collodi

Picture Books

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- The Story About Ping, Marjorie Fleck and Kurt Wiese
- A Pair of Red Clogs, Masako Matsuno
- The Story of Peter Rabbit, Beatrix Potter
- Lentil, Robert McCloskey
- Winnie the Pooh, A.A. Milne
- Madeline, Ludwig Bemelmans
- Cranberry Thanksgiving, Wende and Harry Devlin
- Papa Piccolo, Carol Talley

- Clown of God, Tomie de Paolo
- Storm in the Night, Mary Stolz
- Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening, Robert Frost
- Mirette on the High Wire, Emily Arnold McCully
- The Story of Ferdinand, Munro Leaf
- Harold and the Purple Crayon, Crockett Johnson
- Owl Moon, Jane Yolen
- Wee Gillis, Munro Leaf
- Andy and the Circus, James Daugherty
- The Five Chinese Brothers, Claire Huchet Bishop and Kurt Wiese
- Blueberries for Sal, Robert McClosky
- Make Way for Ducklings, Robert McClosky

First Grade

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One: <i>Early Greece</i>	Teacher Texts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 18-19), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the Greek People (chapters 1-3), Eva March Tappan, • Zechariah, 1-4 	Literature Related to History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths, Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire • Aesop's Fables
Two: The Virtues of Greek Life	Teacher Texts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 20, 22, 23), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the Greek People (chapters 4, 5, 7), Eva March Tappan • Greek Mythology Activities, Marcia Worth-Baker • Zechariah, 5-8 	Literature Related to History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths, Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire • Aesop's Fables • Black Ships Before Troy: The Story of the Illiad, Rosemary Sutcliffe • Herodotus and the Road to History, Jeanne Bendick • Archimedes and the Door of Science, Jeanne Bendick
Three:	Teacher Texts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the Greek People (chapter 13), Eva March Tappan 	Literature Related to History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths, Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire • Aesop's Fables

Art and Politics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greek Mythology Activities, Marcia Worth-Baker • Zechariah, 9-11 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Wanderings of Odysseus, Rosemary Sutcliffe • The Adventures of Odysseus, Hugh Lupton, Daniel Morden, Christina Balit
Four: Greece at War	<p style="text-align: center;">Teacher Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 24-25), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the Greek People (chapters 9, 14, 19, 20), Eva March Tappan • Zechariah, 12-14; 1st and 2nd Maccabees 	<p style="text-align: center;">Literature Related to History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths, Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire • The Librarian who Measured the Earth, Kathryn Lasky • The Legend of the Persian Carpet, Tomie de Paolo • In God's Hands, Lawrence Kushner and Gary Schmidt • Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins, Eric Kimmel

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Second Grade

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One: <i>The Beginnings of Rome</i>	Teacher Texts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 27-29), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the Roman People: An Elementary History of Rome, Eva March Tappan 	Literature Related to History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Search of Homeland: The Story of the Aeneid, Penelope Lively • Gladiators, Minna Lacey and Susanna Davidson
Two: The Roman Empire	Teacher Texts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 34-36), Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer • The Story of the Roman People: An Elementary History of Rome, Eva March Tappan Supplemental Texts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City: A Story of Roman Planning and Construction, David MacAulay • Ancient Rome (DK Eyewitness) 	Literature Related to History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History News: The Roman News, Andrew Langley • Julius Caesar, William Shakespeare, (Saddleback's Illustrated Classics) • Galen and the Gateway to Medicine, Jeanne Bendick

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Julius Caesar, Rachel Firth (Usborne Young Reading Series 3) 	
<p>Three:</p> <p>The Life of Jesus</p>	<p>Teacher Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 37-38), Susan Wise Bauer The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer The Story of the Roman People: An Elementary History of Rome, Eva March Tappan Gospel of Luke Acts of the Apostles 	<p>Literature Related to History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parables of Jesus, Tomie de Paolo
<p>Four:</p> <p>The Fall of Rome and the Rise of the Church</p>	<p>Teacher Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Story of the World, Vol. 1: Ancient Times (chapters 39-42), Susan Wise Bauer The Story of the World, Activity Book, Vol. 1: Ancient Times, Susan Wise Bauer The Story of the Roman People: An Elementary History of Rome, Eva March Tappan <p>Supplemental Texts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DK Eyewitness, Ancient Rome 	<p>Literature Related to History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History News: The Roman News, Andrew Langley