



2025-2026 CLASSICS TO KEEP

GHWH UPPER SCHOOL (GRADES 6-12)

Dear Great Hearts Western Hills Upper School Parents,

Books are at the core of a classical, liberal arts education. At Great Hearts Academies, it has always been the tradition for students to develop a personal library of books that they mark in, keep and return to during their time at Great Hearts, and which they will be able to treasure for years to come. We call these books “Classics to Keep.” Your child’s class will utilize these classics during the upcoming school year.

Parents and students are asked to purchase these books for their own personal collections, so that they can write in them and keep them-allowing students to develop their own impressive personal library of classics over the course of their academic career with Great Hearts.

Below is a list of the “Classics to Keep” along with the specific ISBN’s for each text, which will enable the class to easily refer to a page number or a specific passage during discussions. Please purchase the appropriate texts for your student. The text in red will be the first book needed in class.

Also included below are consumable resources particularly for foreign language classes and Art. Since students will be asked to write in these books, we ask parents to purchase individual copies for each of their students.

Teachers will announce throughout the year when texts must be brought to school.

SIXTH GRADE

Title	ISBN
J.R. Tolkien, <i>The Hobbit</i>	978-0345339683
<i>C.S. Lewis, The Magician’s Nephew</i>	978-0064405058
Charles Dickens, <i>A Christmas Carol</i>	978-0486268651
Mark Twain, <i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i>	978-0141321103
L.M. Montgomery, <i>Anne of Green Gables</i>	978-0451528827
Kenneth Grahame, <i>The Wind in the Willows</i>	978-0143039099
Cassell’s Latin Dictionary*	978-0025225800

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SEVENTH GRADE

Title	ISBN
Jack London, <i>Call of the Wild</i>	978-04515316
Shakespeare, <i>Julius Caesar</i>	978-1439196717
John Steinbeck, <i>The Pearl</i>	978-0140177374
Ray Bradbury, <i>Fahrenheit 451</i>	978-1451673319
<i>C.S. Lewis, The Silver Chair</i>	978-0064471091
Robert Louis Stevenson, <i>The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i>	978-1713326472
William Gibson, <i>The Miracle Worker</i>	978-1416590842
*Cassell's Latin Dictionary	978-0025225800
Sketchbook (for Art)	Available on configio and at the Swag Shope

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EIGHTH GRADE

Title	ISBN
<i>Geoffrey Chaucer, Canterbury Tales</i>	978-0140424386
Seamus Heaney, <i>Beowulf</i>	978-0393320978
Chaim Potok, <i>The Chosen</i>	978-1501142468
C.S. Lewis, <i>Out of the Silent Planet</i>	978-0743234900
Harper Lee, <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>	978-0060935467
William Golding, <i>Lord of the Flies</i>	978-0399501487
Shakespeare, <i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	978-0743477543
Cassell's Latin Dictionary*	978-0025225800

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NINTH GRADE

HUMANE LETTERS 9: THE AMERICAN TRADITION (ALL STUDENTS)

Title	ISBN
Mark Twain, <i>Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i>	<u>978-0143107323</u>
Willa Cather, <i>My Antonia</i>	<u>978-0395755143</u>
F. Scott Fitzgerald, <i>The Great Gatsby</i>	<u>978-0743273565</u>
Frederick Douglass, <i>Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass</i>	<u>978-0143107309</u>
John Steinbeck, <i>Of Mice and Men</i>	<u>978-0140177398</u>
Ernest Hemingway, <i>The Old Man and the Sea</i>	<u>978-0684801223</u>
Kass, <i>What So Proudly We Hail: The American Soul...</i>	<u>9610170806</u>
Shakespeare, <i>The Tempest</i>	<u>978-1501130014</u>

GEOMETRY STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Euclid's Elements	<u>978-1888009194</u>

SPANISH I STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Miriam Webster Spanish-English Dictionary (Required for all levels of Spanish)*	<u>978-0877792987</u>

****This dictionary will be used in Spanish I & II**

LATIN IV STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Cassell's Latin Dictionary*	<u>978-0025225800</u>

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TENTH GRADE

HUMANE LETTERS 10: MODERN EUROPE (ALL STUDENTS)

Title	ISBN
Shakespeare, <i>Henry V</i>	978-1982109417
John Locke, <i>Second Treatise of Government</i>	978-0915144860
Jane Austen, <i>Pride and Prejudice</i>	978-0141439518
Jean-Jacques Rousseau, <i>Discourse on the Origin of Inequality</i>	978-0872201507
Charles Dickens, <i>A Tale of Two Cities</i>	978-0-141-43960-0
Marx and Engels, <i>Communist Manifesto</i>	978-0140447576
Fyodor Dostoevsky, <i>Crime and Punishment</i>	978-0679734505
Mary Shelley, <i>Frankenstein</i>	978-0-141-43947-1
Alexander Solzhenitsyn, <i>One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich</i>	978-0451228147

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Title	ISBN
Euclid's Elements	978-1888009194

SPANISH II STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Miriam Webster Spanish-English Dictionary (Required for all levels of Spanish)*	978-0877792987

****This Spanish Dictionary is the same one purchased for Spanish I**

LATIN V STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Virgil's Aeneid: Selected Readings from Books 1, 2, 4, and 6	978-0865167643
Cassell's Latin Dictionary*	978-0025225800

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ELEVENTH GRADE

HUMANE LETTERS 11: ANCIENT GREECE (ALL STUDENTS)

Title	ISBN
<i>Homer, Iliad</i>	978-0140275360
Homer, <i>Odyssey</i>	978-0140268867
<i>Three Theban Plays (Oedipus Rex, Antigone, & Oedipus at Colonus)</i> , Sophocles	978-0140444254
<i>Herodotus, Histories</i> (Oxford University Press) translated by Robin Waterfield	978-019953668
<i>Five Dialogues (Euthyphro, Meno, Crito, Apology)</i> , Plato	978-0872206335
<i>The Republic of Plato</i>	0872201368
Aristotle, <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>	978-0226026756
<i>Holy Bible, King James Version</i> (Oxford World Classics Edition) (Required for both 11th and 12th grades)	9780199535941
Shakespeare, <i>Hamlet</i>	9780743477123

ART - ALL STUDENTS

Title	ISBN
Sketchbook & Supplies (Available for purchase from school)	

SPANISH III STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Classic Spanish Stories and Plays (required for both Spanish III and IV)	978-0658011382
The Ultimate Spanish Review and Practice	978-1260452396
Diccionario Practico del Estudiante(Required for Spanish III & IV)	978-8430699537

GREEK STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Learn to Read Greek: Part 1, Textbook and Workbook Set	978-0300167719



TWELFTH GRADE

HUMANE LETTERS 12: ROME TO MODERNITY (ALL STUDENTS)

Title	ISBN
Virgil, <i>The Aeneid</i>	978-0679729525
Augustine, <i>Confessions</i>	978-0140441147
Aquinas, <i>Treatise on Law</i>	978-0872205482
Dante, <i>Inferno</i>	978-0385496988
Dante, <i>Purgatorio</i>	978-0385497008
Machiavelli, <i>The Prince</i>	978-0226500447
Descartes, <i>Meditations on First Philosophy</i>	978-0872204201
Fyodor Dostoevsky, <i>The Brothers Karamazov</i>	978-1250788450
Holy Bible, King James Version (Oxford World Classics Edition) (Required for both 11th and 12th grades)	9780199535941
Shakespeare, <i>Macbeth</i>	978-0743477109
Shakespeare, <i>King Lear</i>	978-0743482769

ART - ALL STUDENTS

Title	ISBN
Sketchbook & Supplies (Available for purchase from school)	

SPANISH IV STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Classic Spanish Stories and Plays (required for both Spanish III and IV)	978-0658011382
The Ultimate Spanish Review and Practice	978-1260452396
Diccionario Practico del Estudiante (required for both Spanish III and IV)	978-8430699537

GREEK 1 STUDENTS ONLY

Title	ISBN
Learn to Read Greek: Part 1, Textbook and Workbook Set	978-0300167719



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