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Digital Formats of Authorized English Language Arts Novels for Grades 4-12

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A number of the novels authorized to support the Grades 4 to 12 English Language Arts program of studies are available in digital formats, including;

- e-texts
- considerate texts
- digital versions of synopses and study guides

These digital formats can be read from a computer or, in some cases, a portable digital assistant (PDA). The digital format allows users to change the visual display (font, background, etc.) and use other tools such as Read & Write Gold software so the text is read aloud for the student. The advantage of these types of e-books is that students can have access to both the visual and auditory version of the text at the same time. These digital formats can be used to meet the diverse learning needs of students, including students who have difficulty with print.

Free electronic books

These novels are available to be read online or downloaded for no cost. They are copyright-free and/or in the public domain. They tend to be novels written seventy-five years ago or more.

Electronic books for purchase

There are a number of electronic books available for purchase. Generally, they can be used with text to speech software but there are some exceptions. Please check a specific text's compatibility with accessibility software before making the purchase.

Considerate texts

The term “considerate texts” (sometimes called “reader-friendly texts”) describes the redesign of an original text into an easy-to-read format that considers students’ reading abilities, interests, motivation and prior knowledge. These high interest/low vocabulary versions of texts are for readers who may experience difficulty with the vocabulary or readability level of the original text. They can be available in both print and digital formats. Samples of available digital formats are included in this list. These resources have not been reviewed by Alberta Education and are included on this list for information purposes only. School jurisdictions and classroom teachers are responsible for previewing these materials before using them with students.

Synopses and Study Guides

Digital synopsis and study guides can be used as pre-reading strategies, for study purposes or as an alternate version of the full text for students who may find reading the original text challenging. These synopses and study guides have not been reviewed by Alberta Education and are included on this list for information purposes only. School jurisdictions and classroom teachers are responsible for previewing these materials before using them with students.

Plays

This list includes a number of Shakespeare and other plays that are available for free downloading.

Available in Digital Formats

Authorized English Language Arts Novels

Grade 4

E-texts available for free

The Secret Garden

<http://www.classicreader.com/>

by Frances Hodgson Burnett
(html/pdf)

E-texts available for purchase

The Secret Garden

<http://www.diesel-ebooks.com>

by Frances Hodgson Burnett
(html/pdf) \$2.85 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/lion/>

by C.S. Lewis
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Number The Stars

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/numberthestars/>

by Lois Lowry
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Secret Garden

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/secretgarden/>

by Frances Hodgson Burnett
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Grade 5

Synopses and Study guides

Bridge to Terabithia

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/terabithia/>

by Katherine Patterson
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Grade 6

E-texts available for free

Anne of Green Gables

<http://www.gutenberg.org/>

by Lucy Maud Montgomery
(.txt)

E-texts available for purchase

Tuck Everlasting

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Natalie Babbitt
(pdf) \$7.20 (U.S.)*

Anne of Green Gables

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Lucy Maud Montgomery
(pdf) \$1.99 (U.S.)*

Considerate texts

Anne of Green Gables

<http://www.donjohnston.com/>

by Lucy Maud Montgomery
(html) \$9.95 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

Anne of Green Gables

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/anneofgreengables/>

by Lucy Maud Montgomery
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Island of the Blue Dolphins

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/dolphins/>

by Scott O'Dell
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Phantom Tollbooth

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/tollbooth/>

by Norton Juster
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Tuck Everlasting

<http://monkeynote.stores.yahoo.net/>

by Natalie Babbitt
(pdf) \$5.95 (U.S.)*

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Grade 7

E-texts available for purchase

Cowboys Don't Cry

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Marilyn Halvorson
(pdf) \$4.80 (U.S.)*

Skellig

<http://www.powells.com/>

by David Almond
(pdf) \$3.19 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

The Hobbit

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/hobbit/>

by J.R. Tolkien
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Souder

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/souder/>

by William Armstrong
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Cay

<http://monkeynote.stores.yahoo.net/>

by Theodore Taylor
(pdf) \$5.95 (U.S.)*

Grade 8

E-texts available for purchase

The Dark is Rising

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Susan Cooper
(pdf) \$3.19 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

The Giver

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/giver/>

by Lois Lowry
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Holes

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/holes/>

by Louis Sachar
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Shane

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/shane/>

by Jack Schaefer
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Artemis Fowl

<http://monkeynote.stores.yahoo.net/>

by Eoin Colfer
(pdf) \$5.95 (U.S.)*

The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle

<http://monkeynote.stores.yahoo.net/>

by Avi
(pdf) \$6.95 (U.S.)*

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Grade 9

E-texts available for purchase

The Golden Compass

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Philip Pullman
(pdf) \$3.19 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

Ender's Game

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/endersgame/>

by Orson Scott Card
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

English Language Arts 10-1

E-texts available for free

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Mark Twain
(pdf)

Animal Farm

<http://etext.library.adelaide.edu.au/>

by George Orwell
(txt)

Oliver Twist

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Charles Dickens
(pdf)

Silas Marner

<http://www.bibliomania.com/>

by George Eliot
(html)

Brave New World

<http://www.bibliomania.com/>

by Aldous Huxley
(html)

E-texts available for purchase

The Alchemist

<http://www.ebooks.officemax.com/>

by Paul Coelho
(pdf) \$9.95 (U.S.)*

Girl With a Pearl Earring

http://www.powells.com

by Tracy Chevalier
(pdf) \$10.20 (U.S.)*

Oliver Twist

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Charles Dickens
(pdf) \$1.95 (U.S.)*

Silas Marner

http://www.powells.com

by George Eliot
(pdf) \$1.95 (U.S.)*

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Animal Farm

<http://www.powells.com/>

by George Orwell

(pdf) \$3.20 (U.S.)*

Huckleberry Finn

<http://www.diesel-ebooks.com/>

by Mark Twain

(pdf) \$3.99 (U.S.)*

Considerate texts

Huckleberry Finn

<http://www.sdlback.com/>

by Mark Twain

(html) \$7.95 (U.S.)*

Oliver Twist

<http://www.sdlback.com/>

by Charles Dickens

(html) \$7.95 (U.S.)*

Silas Marner

<http://www.agsglobe.com>

by George Eliot

(html) \$8.99 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

Oliver Twist

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/oliver/>

by Charles Dickens

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Rebecca

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/rebecca/>

by Daphne Du Maurier

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Silas Marner

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/silas/>

by George Eliot

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Something Wicked This Way Comes

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/wicked/>

by Ray Bradbury

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

To Kill A Mockingbird

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/mocking/>

by Harper Lee

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Alchemist

<http://monkeynote.stores.yahoo.net>

by Paul Coehlo

(pdf) \$6.49 (U.S.)*

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English Language Arts 10-2

E-texts available for purchase

The Great Escape

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Paul Brickhill

(pdf) \$4.79 (U.S.)*

In the Land of White Death

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Valerian Albanov

(pdf) \$4.21 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/missjane>

by Ernest J. Gaines

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Hatchet

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/hatchet>

by Gary Paulsen

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Pearl

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/pearl>

by John Steinbeck

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

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E-texts available for free

Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Robert Lewis Stevenson
(pdf)

Ethan Frome

<http://www.classicreader.com/>

by Edith Wharton
(html)

The Great Gatsby

<http://www.globusz.com/>

by F. Scott Fitzgerald
(html)

Jane Eyre

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Charlotte Bronte
(pdf)

A Tale of Two Cities

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Charles Dickens
(pdf)

E-texts available for purchase

Lord of the Flies

<http://www.powells.com/>

by William Golding
(pdf) \$5.91 (U.S.)*

Cat's Cradle

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Kurt Vonnegut
(pdf) \$7.19 (U.S.)*

Ethan Frome

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Edith Wharton
(pdf) \$1.99 (U.S.)*

The Great Gatsby

<http://www.powells.com/>

by F. Scott Fitzgerald
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The Joy Luck Club

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Amy Tan
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My Name is Asher Lev

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by Chaim Potok
(pdf) \$7.19 (U.S.)*

The Old Man and the Sea

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Ernest Hemingway
(pdf) \$7.99 (U.S.)*

Brave New World

<http://www.ebookmall.com>

by Aldous Huxley
(pdf) \$4.29 (U.S.)*

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A Tale of Two Cities
<http://www.powells.com/>

by Charles Dickens
(pdf) \$1.99 (U.S.)*

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Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
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(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Ethan Frome
<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/frome/>

by Edith Wharton
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Fellowship of the Rings
<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/fellowship/>

by J.R Tolkien
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Great Gatsby
<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/gatsby/>

by F. Scott Fitzgerald
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Jane Eyre
<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/janeeyre/>

by Charlotte Bronte
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Joy Luck Club
<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/joyluck/>

by Amy Tan
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Life of Pi
<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/lifeofpi/>

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Lord of the Flies
<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/flies/>

by William Golding
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

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My Name is Asher Lev

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/asher/>

by Chaim Potom

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Old Man and The Sea

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/oldman/>

by Ernest Hemingway

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

2001: A Space Odyssey

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/2001/>

by Arthur C. Clarke

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

A Separate Peace

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/separate/>

by John Knowles

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

A Tale of Two Cities

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/twocities/>

by Charles Dickens

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

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E-texts available for free

Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy

<http://www.globusz.com/>

by Doug Adams
(html)

E-texts available for purchase

Catch Me If You Can

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Frank Abagnale
(pdf) \$7.96 (U.S.)*

Hole in My Life

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Jack Gantos
(pdf) \$12.00 (U.S.)*

Shoeless Joe

<http://www.powells.com/>

by W.P. Kinsella
(pdf) \$4.79 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

Flowers for Algernon

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/algernon/>

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(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Of Mice & Men

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/micemen/>

by John Steinbeck
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Shoeless Joe

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by W.P. Kinsella
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E-texts available for free

Crime & Punishment

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Fedor Dostoevsky
(pdf)

Great Expectations

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Charles Dickens
(pdf)

The Metamorphosis

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Franz Kafka
(pdf)

Pride & Prejudice

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Jane Austen
(pdf)

Wuthering Heights

<http://www.planetpdf.com/>

by Emily Bronte
(pdf)

E-texts available for purchase

The Ash Garden

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Dennis Bock
(pdf) \$7.96 (U.S.)*

Crime and Punishment

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Fedor Dostoyevsky
(pdf) \$1.99 (U.S.)*

A Farewell to Arms

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Ernest Hemingway
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Into Thin Air

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by Jon Krakauer
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The Metamorphosis

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by Franz Kafka
(pdf) \$1.99 (U.S.)*

Wuthering Heights

<http://www.powells.com/>

by Emily Bronte
(pdf) \$1.99 (U.S.)*

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Considerate texts

The Grapes of Wrath

<http://www.agsglobe.com>

by John Steinbeck

(html) \$8.99 (U.S.)*

Great Expectations

<http://www.sdlback.com/>

by Charles Dickens

(html) \$7.95 (U.S.)*

Pride & Prejudice

<http://www.sdlback.com/>

by Jane Austen

(html) \$7.95 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

The Bean Trees

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/beantrees/>

by Barbara Kingsolver

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Crime and Punishment

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/crime/>

by Fedor Dostoyevsky

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

A Farewell to Arms

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/farewell/>

by Ernest Hemingway

(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

The Grapes of Wrath

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Into Thin Air

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The Metamorphosis

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Night

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by Elie Wiesel

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Pride & Prejudice

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/pride/>

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Wuthering Heights

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by Emily Bronte

(html/pdf) \$4.95

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English Language Arts Grade 30-2

E-texts available for free

Siddhartha

<http://www.readprint.com/>

by Hermann Hesse
(html)

E-texts available for purchase

Siddhartha

<http://www.ebookmall.com/>

by Hermann Hesse
(pdf) 4.29 (U.S.)*

Considerate texts

All Quiet on the Western Front

<http://www.agsglobe.com/>

by Erich Maria Remarque
(html) \$8.99 (U.S.)*

Synopses and Study guides

All Quiet on the Western Front

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/allquiet/>

by Erich Maria Remarque
(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Fahrenheit 451

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/451/>

by Ray Bradbury
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Jurassic Park

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/jurassicpark/>

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One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich

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Fallen Angels

<http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/fallenangels/>

by Walter Dean Myers
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(html/pdf) \$4.95 (U.S.)*

Siddhartha

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Plays for English Language Arts Grades 10-20-30

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The Taming of the Shrew

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Julius Caesar

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1120>

The Merchant of Venice

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1114>

A Midsummer Night's Dream

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1113>

Romeo and Juliet

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1127>

Twelfth Night

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1526>

The Importance of Being Earnest

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/844>

Hobson's Choice

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/6347>

Macbeth

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1129>

As You Like It

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1121>

The Importance of Being Earnest

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/844>

Hamlet

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1524>

Henry IV: Part I

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1765>

King Lear

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1532>

The Tempest

<http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/1135>

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