

Copywork Quotes for Year 4

Come and sit by my side, if you love me
Do not hasten to bid me adieu
Just remember the Red River Valley
And the one who has loved you so true
— from *The Red River Valley*



Waltzing Matilda, Waltzing Matilda
You'll come a-Waltzing Matilda with me — from *Waltzing Matilda*



Whoopee ti yi yo, git along little dogies,
For you know that Wyoming will be your new home. — from *Git Along Little Dogies*



This is my Father's world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
— from *This is My Father's World*



Count your blessings,
Name them one by one,
Count your many blessings,
See what God hath done! — from *Count your Blessings*



Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
— from *How Great Thou Art*





“When you’re an opera star, With a large repertoire, How do you please the crowd? Sing Verdi very loud.” — Lyrics by Richard Perlmutter of *Beethoven’s Wig*



“While it was still dark, shortly after five o’clock in the morning, a train clanked into the station at Arles, and a solitary, exhausted passenger got out.” — from *The Yellow House* by Martin Gayford.



“When John and Abigail could not be together, they wrote letters to each other, letters full of wit and devotion, to bridge the days when they could be together again.” — from *Abigail Adams: Witness to a Revolution* by Natalie Bober.



“You find it dull walking up here upon Hartford Bridge Flat, this sad November day? Well, I do not deny that the moor looks somewhat dreary, though dull it need never be.” – from *A Walk Through the Glen: Kingsley's Lessons in Earth Lore, Volume 1 of Madam How and Lady Why* by Charles Kingsley



The next day Emile, when only half awake, began to think of the ants’ cows.

“We must beg uncle,” said he to Jules, “to tell us the rest of his story this morning.”

No sooner said than done: they went to look for their uncle.

– from Chapter IV of *The Storybook of Science* by Jean-Henri Fabre.



“As long as Isaac could remember, he had lived at Woolsthorpe Manor with Grandmother.” – from *The Ocean of Truth: The Story of Sir Isaac Newton* by Joyce McPherson



A moor: 1. chiefly British: an expanse of open rolling infertile land, or 2.: a boggy area, n especially: one that is peaty and dominated by grasses and sedges.



“And to every action, there is always an equal and opposite or contrary, reaction” — Isaac Newton



In mathematics, the Order of Operations: PEMDAS – Parenthesis, Exponents, Multiplication, Division, Addition, Subtraction.



“Most of us think we know the robin well, but very few of us know definitely the habits of this, our commonest bird.” — Anna Comstock’s *Handbook of Nature Study*, p 57



“Marcus Brutus was descended from that Junius Brutus for whom the ancient Romans erected a statue of brass in the Capitol among the images of their kings with a drawn sword in his hand, because he had valiantly put down the Tarquins from their kingdom of Rome.” — from *Plutarch's Life of Marcus Brutus*.



“What happens when a kettle of water is put on a hot stove?
The water gets hot and boils away.
Where does it go? Is it destroyed?
The water is changed, but it is not destroyed. Coal burns, but we do not get rid of it altogether. It is changed into gas and smoke and ashes.
What is the water changed into?
It is changed to vapor. If we let the kettle remain on the fire long enough, the water it contains will all pass away as vapor.”

— from LESSON XIV: HOW WATER IS CHANGED TO VAPOR from *Home Geography* by C.C. Long



“John remembers a time when the family was still living on the sheep ranch and he was sent to catch a porcupine for dinner.” — from *What the World Eats* by Faith D'Aluisio.



“A Horse! A Horse! My kingdom for a horse!” — by Shakespeare from *Richard III*: Act V, scene iv, line 7



“And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.”

— from *Daffodils* by William Wordsworth



“Alone and warming his five wits,
The white owl in the belfry sits.”

— from *The Owl* by Alfred Lord Tennyson



The Pedigree of Honey

The pedigree of honey
Does not concern the bee;
A clover, any time, to him
Is aristocracy.

— Emily Dickinson



Meanwhile the new army grew daily larger. It was still almost entirely made up of New Englanders, but it was now called the Continental Army, and the Continental Congress appointed George Washington to be commander-in-chief.

Washington was now a tall, handsome man, little over forty. He was as modest as he was brave, and he accepted the great honour and heavy duties laid upon him with something of dread.

"Since the Congress desire it," he said, "I will enter upon this momentous duty, and exert every power I possess in their service. But I beg it may be remembered by every gentleman in this room that I this day declare, with the utmost sincerity, I do not think myself equal to the command I am honoured with."

— from *This Country of Ours* by H. E. Marshall (Chapter 53)





“But a word once spoken who can recapture it?”

— from *Kidnapped* by Robert Louis Stevenson



“In the hour of darkness and peril and need,
The people will waken and listen to hear
The hurrying hoof-beats of that steed,
And the midnight message of Paul Revere.”

— from *The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere* by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



“It is never too late to be wise.”

— from *The Life and Adventures of Robinson Crusoe* by Daniel Defoe:

