

Summer Reading for Third Grade

Research shows that reading over the summer helps to reduce the summer slide.

Please take your child to the local library and bookstores to continue building your child's reading habits. Each incoming third grader is required to read at least 2 books over the summer ONE FROM EACH CATEGORY. **Please print out two copies of the form- for each book read.** These should be brought back in August and given to their new teacher.

Fiction:

American Girl (series)

Dear America (series)

The Bailey School Kids (series) by Debbie Dadey and Marcia Thornton Jones

Boxcar Children (series) by Gertrude Warner

Catwings (series) by Ursula LeGuin

The Kids on Polk Street (series) by Patricia Reilly Giff

Little House books (series) by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Love, from Your Friend Hannah by Mindy Warshaw Skolsky

The Magic Tree House (series)

Pee Wee Scouts (series) by Judy Delton

Key to the Treasure by Peggy Parish

The Cobble Street Cousins (series) by Cynthia Rylant

Jenny Archer (series) by Ellen Conford

Annabel the Actress (series) by Ellen Conford

Cam Jansen (series) by David A. Adler

Pony Pals (series) by Jeanne Betancourt

A to Z Mysteries (series) by Ron Roy

Series of Unfortunate Events (series) by Lemony Snicket

Nate the Great (series) by Marjorie Sharmat

Girls to the Rescue (series) by Bruce Lansky

Ivy & Bean (series) by Annie Barrows

NONFICTION:

Some of the third grade curricular themes will include geography, map making, human rights, butterflies, water, electricity, and whales. The following titles and authors are only suggestions. Please encourage your child to read any book about any theme that piques her interest.

Eyewitness Books

Eyewitness Junior

Magic School Bus

My First Book of Biographies by Jean Marzollo

Rookie Biographies by Carol Greene

Usbourne Books

Scholastic Zoobooks magazine

Kids Discover magazine

Sports Illustrated for Kids magazine

National Geographic for Kids magazine

American Girl magazines

ADDITIONAL AUTHORS:

Judy Blume

Roald Dahl- Elizabeth Enright- Ruth Stiles- Gannett
Manguerite- Henry Anne Lindbergh -Astrid Lindgren- Lois
Lenski-Peggy Parish- Patricia Polacco- Barbara Robinson

Fiction

Written Assignment

BOOK TITLE:

AUTHOR:

DATE COMPLETED:

1. Who is the main character of your book?

2. Which two adjectives (describing words) would you use to describe this character, and why would you choose each word?

● Adjective 1:

Reason you chose it:

● Adjective 2:

Reason you chose it:

3. What is the main conflict or problem in your book? Is the conflict solved? If yes, how?

4. How does the main character change throughout the course of the book?

5. Did you enjoy the ending of this book? If yes, why? If no, how would you have chosen to end it?

6. To whom would you recommend this book, and why? (Example: I would recommend this book to people who like mystery. Every chapter had more clues and I enjoyed figuring out what had happened. I also liked that each chapter ended with a cliffhanger).

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AUTHOR:

DATE COMPLETED:

1. What is this book/story about? What do you think the author wanted you to learn from reading it?
2. Did you know anything about this person/subject/animal prior to reading this book?
3. Did the author succeed in teaching the reader something? If so, what did you learn? If not, how did the author fail?
4. Please share a specific quote or passage from the book that left an impression on you. How did it affect you?
5. What role do illustrations, maps, etc. play in this book?

NAME: