

Third Grade Summer Reading List

Students entering 3rd grade are required to read at least two books from the following list. You may choose one of the books listed below or any book written by the spotlight author or classic series. **One book must be a biography** which will be used to complete the attached "Can a Character" reading project. Projects will be due August 16.

Have a WONDERFUL summer!

Ben & Me

Charlotte's Web

Chocolate Fever

Homer Price

How to Eat Fried Worms

The Keeping Quilt

Little House in the Big Woods

The Mouse and the Motorcycle

Mr. Popper's Penguins

Ramona Quimby, Age 8

Sarah, Plain and Tall

Robert Lawson

E.B. White

Robert Kimmel Smith

Robert McCloskey

Thomas Rockwell

Patricia Polacco

Laura Ingalls Wilder

Beverly Cleary

Richard Atwater

Beverly Cleary

Patricia MacLachlan

Spotlight Author:

Jack Prelutsky (poetry)

Classic Series:

The Boxcar Children

Encyclopedia Brown

Dear America

Gertrude Chandler Warner

Donald Sobol

various authors

Biographies: (these are SUGGESTIONS - you may choose ANY biography that is of interest to your child)

Abe Lincoln Remembers

Amelia Earhart (Young Patriots Series)

Buzz Aldrin: Reaching for the Moon

Duke Ellington

Eleanor Everywhere: The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt

Oh, the Places He Went

Ann Turner

Jane Moore Howe

Buzz Aldrin (autobiography)

Andrea Pinkney

Monica Kulling

Maryann Weidt

Any biography from the following series:

Childhood of Famous Americans

Who Was Series

Young Patriots Series

various authors

various authors

various authors

Third Grade Summer Reading Project "Can a Character"

What You Need:

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| coffee can or large soup can | colored yarn |
| construction paper | crayons, colored pencils or markers |
| fabric scraps | index cards cut into strips |
| glue | any other craft materials |
| scissors | |

What You Do:

1. Read a biography from the Summer Reading List.
2. Make the can look like the character by cutting and gluing on pieces of construction paper, fabric, yarn, or any other craft materials.
3. Write 5 sentences that tell about your character on index card strips.
4. Put the strips in the can.
5. Bring the can to school by Monday, August 16.

