

Rising Third Graders

Summer 2012

Please choose at least two books from the reading list we have created for you. The books and authors are some of the best and well-known in children's literature. In your own handwriting list the title of the book and the author's name. We will collect your list at the beginning of the year and do a book report in class on one of the books you read over the summer.

Book Title	Author

Child's Name _____

Reading List for Rising Third Grade

ACTION ADVENTURE

Abbott, Tony The Hidden Stairs and the Magic Carpet (Secrets of Droon series)

DiCamillo, Kate The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane

O'Malley, Kevin Captain Raptor and the Moon Mystery (series)

Osborne, Mary Pope Dinosaurs Before Dark (Magic Tree House series)

Riordan, Rick The Maze of Bones (39 clues series); The Lightning Thief (series); The Lost Hero (series)

ANIMALS

Birney, Betty The World According to Humphrey (series)

Byars, Betsy Cat Diaries: secret writings of the MEOW Society

King-Smith, Dick The School Mouse; Lady Lollipop

Myers, Laurie Lewis and Clark and Me: a dog's tale

COOL CLASSICS

Burnett, Frances Hodgson The Secret Garden

Dahl, Roald The BFG; Fantastic Mr. Fox; James and the Giant Peach; Matilda; The Witches

DiCamillo, Kate The Tale of Despereaux

White, E. B. Charlotte's Web*; Stuart Little

Napoli, Donna Jo Treasury of Greek Mythology

FLY WITH FANTASY

Cowell, Cressida How to Train Your Dragon (series)

DiTerlizzi, Tony Kenny and the Dragon

DiTerlizzi, Tony The Field Guide (Spiderwick Chronicles)

Gaiman, Neal Odd and the Frost Giant
Gannett, Ruth Stiles My Father's Dragon
Rowling, J.K. Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (series)
Schlitz, Laura The Night Fairy
Viorst, Judith Lulu and the Brontosaurus
Voight, Cynthia Young Fredle

JUST THE FACTS

Bishop, Nic Butterflies and Moths; Frogs; Lizards; Marsupials; Spiders
Cantrell, Charlie A Friend for Einstein: the smallest stallion
DK Eyewitness (any book in the series)
Floca, Brian Moonshot: the flight of Apollo 11
Greenberg, Jan Ballet for Martha: Making Applachian Spring
Hatkoff, Juliana Winter's Tail: how one little dolphin learned to swim again
Macaulay, David Built to Last

JUST THE FACTS (continued)

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs Snowflake Bentley
Myron, Vicki with Brett Witter Dewey the Library Cat
Price, Sean The Kids' Guide to Titanic
Ripken, Cal Jr. The Longest Season: the story of the Orioles' 1988 losing season
Who is/Who Was Biography books (series)

LOL

Auch, Mary Jane I Was a Third Grade Science Project
Barrows, Annie Ivy & Bean (series)
Birdsall, Jeanne The Penderwicks; The Penderwicks on Gardam Street; The Penderwicks at Point Mouette
Davies, Jacqueline The Lemonade War; The Lemonade Crime
DiCamillo, Kate Bink & Gollie (series)

Brown, Jeff Flat Stanley; Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures (series)

Gutman, Dan Miss Daisy is Crazy! (series)

Lowry, Lois Gooney Bird Greene (series)

Pennypacker, Sara Clementine (series)

Sachar, Louis Sideways Stories from Wayside School (series)

Scieszka, Jon Spaceheadz (series)

Stern, A.J. Frankly, Frannie (series)

Stilton, Geronimo The Kingdom of Fantasy (series)

POETRY

Creech, Sharon Love that Dog

Dahl, Road Vile Verses

Prelutsky, Jack My Dog May be a Genius; The New Kid on the Block

Silverstein, Shel Where the Sidewalk Ends

Kennedy, Caroline A Family of Poems: my favorite poetry for children

REAL WORLD

Blume, Judy Soupy Saturdays with the Pain and the Great One (series)

Bunting, Eve Snowboarding on Monster Mountain

Cleary, Beverly Beezus and Ramona (series)

Clements, Andrew No Talking; Frindle

Fitzhugh, Louise Harriet the Spy (series)

Graff, Lisa Sophie Simon Solves Them All

Harper, Charise Just Grace (series)

McDonald, Megan Judy Moody (series)

Yee, Lisa Bobby vs. Girls (accidentally) (series)

SPORTS

Christopher, Matt The Kid Who Only Hit Homers (series); Soccer Hero

Gutman, Dan The Million Dollar Shot

Lupica, Mike Hot Hand (series)

Wallace, Rich Ball Hogs (series)

TAKE ME BACK

Avi Iron Thunder: the battle between the Monitor & the Merrimac: a Civil War novel

Dalgiesh, Alice The Courage of Sarah Noble*

Dear America (series)

MacLachan, Patricia Sarah, Plain and Tall* (series)

Selznick, Brian The Houdini Box; The Invention of Hugo Cabret

Tarshis, Lauren I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912; I Survived the Shark

Attacks of 1916; I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005; I Survived the Bombing of Pearl

Harbor, 1941; I Survived the San Francisco Earthquake, 1906

Wilder, Laura Ingalls Little House in the Big Woods (series)

WHO DID IT?

American Girl Mysteries (series)

Butler, Dori H. The Buddy Files: the case of the lost boy (series)

Dixon, Franklin Hardy Boys (series)

Frazer, Marla A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever

Hale, Bruce The Chameleon Wore Chartreuse (series)

Keene, Carolyn Nancy Drew (series)

Montgomery, Louis B. The Case of the Stinky Socks (series)

Roy, Ron A to Z Mysteries (series); The January Joker (series); Who Cloned the President? (series)

Sobol, Donald J. Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective (series)

Torrey, Michele The Case of the GaspinG Garbage: (and other super-scientific cases)
(series)

Warner, Gertrude Chandler The Boxcar Children (series)

PARENT SUGGESTIONS

Miller, Donalyn The Book Whisperer: Awakening the Inner Reader in Every Child

Mogel, Wendy The Blessing of a B Minus; The Blessing of a Skinned Knee

*Newbery Award or Honor

Book Bolded titles indicate Third Grade Favorites