



Rising 3rd Grader Summer Reading List

Research has shown that the single greatest factor in predicting reading success is whether a child is read to when young. Here are some titles to get you started! Please note that the reading level of the books suggested varies. Have your child read a page of the book aloud to you to see if it is a good fit. If they struggle with more than a few words on the page, it is probably too difficult, but the book would still be a great book to read aloud to your child. The Guided Reading Level (GR) is provided where available. To find other suggestions for summer reading, try these websites:

www.islma.org/monarch.htm
www.islma.org/Bluestem.htm

Read Aloud and to Self

- The One and Only Ivan - Applegate Mr. Popper's Penguins - Atwater
- I Was a Third Grade Spy - Auch
- How Tia Lola Came to Stay - Alvarez
- One Tiny Turtle - Davies
- Surprising Sharks - Davies
- Wild River - Petersen
- Becoming Babe Ruth - Tavares
- Because of Winn Dixie - DiCamillo
- How to Be Cool in the Third Grade - Duffey
- The Hundred Penny Box - Mathis
- Mudshark - Paulsen
- Henry's Freedom Box - Levine
- Lincoln Tells a Joke - Krall

Series

(Guided Reading Level Vary by Individual Book)

- Cam Jansen Series - Adler (GR - J-L)
- Lulu - Lamont (GR - N)
- Nikki and Deja - English (GR-P)
- Keena Ford - Thomson (GR - M)
- Flat Stanley Series - Brown (GR - K-P)
- Ramona Quimby Series - Cleary (GR - L-O)
- Amber Brown Series - Danzinger (GR - L - O)
- My Weird School - Gutman (GR - O)
- Judy Moody series - McDonald (GR - M/N)
- Magic Treehouse Series - Osborne (GR - M-R)
- High Rise Private Eyes - Rylant (GR - K)
- Time Warp Trio Series - Scieszca (GR - P)
- Sofia Martinez - Smith (GR -M)
- Boxcar Children Series - Warner (GR - J - P)

