

3rd Grade Summer Reading List

Read at least **1** book from this list, and **1** other book of your choice (for a total of at least **2** books). The first day of school each student is required to turn into the teacher a list of all books read during the summer. This list should be signed by a parent.

Students will be required to complete a written book report for each of the **2** books. Students are not required to take Accelerated Reader tests for summer reading.

The books on this list have been divided into the 3 following levels : transitional, chapter, and advanced. Students should choose one book from their reading level.

Transitional Books

Fox on Stage by James Marshall

Fox makes a film for Grannie, takes part in a magic show, and puts on a play.

Mouse Soup by Arnold Lobel

Mouse is in a jam! Weasel is ready for his dinner, and poor mouse is it! Just in time, he thinks up a clever and entertaining way to distract weasel from serving up mouse soup for supper.

Nate the Great, San Francisco Detective by Sharmat, M

Nate, the great detective, and his dog, Sludge, are off to San Francisco! They're going to visit Nate's cousin Olivia Sharp. She's a detective, too, and a very busy one. Olivia isn't around to solve her case number 22. Her client, Duncan, has lost his joke book. He tells Nate that if the book isn't found—and soon—the world will come to an end. Nate takes the case. He and Sludge cruise up and down and around San Francisco in the limo,

tracking down clues. Sticky, icky clues, big and small clues, all-around-the-town clues that take them to a pancake house, over the Golden Gate Bridge, and finally to a place that seems wrong but could be right. Can Nate the Great keep the world from coming to an end? Can he solve his first out-of-town case?

Chapter Books

The Absent Author (A to Z Mysteries Series #1) by Roy R

Dink writes to his favorite author, mystery writer Wallis Wallace, and invites him to visit Green Lawn. To Dink's amazement, Wallace says he'll come! But when the big day arrives, Wallace is nowhere to be found. The police think he just missed his plane, but Dink suspects foul play. It's up to Dink and his two best friends, Josh and Ruth Rose, to find the famous writer— before it's too late!

Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective by Donald J. Sobol

When the chief of police of Idaville has a tough case to crack he doesn't turn to his detectives, he turns to Encyclopedia, his son, Encyclopedia Brown, that is. After solving another tough case for his dad, ten-year old Encyclopedia decides it's time to start his own detective agency. Soon Encyclopedia has plenty of customers, leaving the criminals of Idaville without a chance.

Marvin Redpost #1: Kidnapped at Birth by Louis Sachar

Marvin Redpost has finally figured out why he doesn't look like anyone in his family. He's not really Marvin Redpost—he's Robert, the lost prince of Shampoo!

Advanced Books

* **Chocolate Fever** by Smith R

Henry Green is boy who loves chocolate more than anything. He eats it daily and in everyway imaginable for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and everything in between, but what starts as a typical day for Henry turns into anything but that. Henry goes to school that day only to discover he is covered in little brown dots. He has contracted the first-ever case of Chocolate Fever and has made medical history. When Henry runs away and befriends a wise trucker named Mac, he becomes involved in a very unusual hijacking and learns an important lesson that he won't soon forget.

Hank the Cowdog #1 The Original Adventures by Erickson J

No one knows better than Hank the Cowdog that Head of Ranch Security is one tough job. But things get unbearable when Hank investigates a vicious murder on his ranch and he finds himself the number one suspect. Resigning in a fit of despair, he heads for the hills to become an outlaw, but it's not as easy, or fun, as he imagined.

Punished by David Lubar

Logan isn't grounded. But he is being punished—by a weird old guy in the reference section who seems to have a little more magic than most librarians. Now Logan's in big trouble with his parents, his teachers, and even his best friend, Benedict! Why? Because he's out of control, spouting puns left and right, getting on everybody's last nerve. To end this vocabulary voodoo, Logan must complete three quests in record time, finding some of the wackiest word combos known to English: oxymorons, anagrams, and palindromes. Don't know what they are? Look them up! But be careful of strange librarians with dusty books or you, too, may be . . . Punished!

Name _____

BOOK REPORT

Title: _____

Author: _____

I think this book is: poor good very good excellent

The main characters of my book were _____

My favorite character in this book was _____

because _____

This book was about _____

