

**The Schenck School**  
**Summer Reading for Rising Third Grade**

Read any 3 books of your choice or from the series suggested on this list.

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*The following books are on approximately a 1st-2nd grade reading level.*

***Fly Guy***

Hilarious, easy-to-read stories about a boy and his pet fly.

**Tedd Arnold**

***Katie Woo***

Katie Woo is a spunky, sassy, and stylish schoolgirl who readers will fall in love with. These early chapter books, containing fun, lighthearted stories, are perfect for explaining life changes, family celebrations, and growing up.

**Fran Manushkin**

***Lunch Lady***

She's the lunch lady and a secret crime fighter!

**Jarrett Krosoczka**

***Mercy Watson***

Have Mercy! She's not just the Watson's pet pig--she's a porcine wonder and loads of fun.

**Kate DiCamillo**

***Princess Posey***

Join the fun with Posey and her new friends as they adjust to new experiences in first grade.

**Stephanie Greene**

***Squish***

The young amoeba Squish, inspired by his favorite comic book hero, Super Amoeba, tries to navigate his way through school and save his friends and the world from the evils that lurk in the halls. This graphic novel series is filled with humor, comics within comics, and gross-out science!

**Jennifer L. Holm**

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*The following books are on approximately a 2nd-3rd grade reading level.*

***Babymouse***

A popular series of graphic novels which feature comical and adventurous stories about the hopes and expectations of a very imaginative mouse.

**Jennifer Holm**

***The Bad Guys***

In this new illustrated chapterbook series, bad guys are doing good deeds...whether you want them to or not! They sound like bad guys, they look like bad guys...and they even smell like bad guys. But Mr. Wolf, Mr. Piranha, Mr. Snake, and Mr. Shark are about to change all that...

**Aaron Blabey**

***Buddy Files***

Mystery fans and dog lovers will be swept up by these stories featuring Buddy, a dog lead-character who interacts with humans in surprising and funny ways. Just right for early readers and reluctant readers.

**Dori Hillestad Butler**

***Critter Club***

**Callie Barclay**

Welcome to the Critter Club! Pet-friendly stories about four best friends, lots of animals saved, and tons of fun along the way! With easy-to-read language and illustrations on almost every page, the Critter Club chapter books are perfect for beginning readers.

***Dory***

**Abby Hanlon**

Move over, Junie B. Jones and Ivy & Bean! Here comes a lovably energetic little sister with a BIG personality--and an imagination to match. As the youngest in her family, Dory really wants attention, and more than anything she wants her brother and sister to play with her. But she's too much of a baby for them, so she's left to her own devices--and her wild imagination and indefatigable energy. With plenty of pictures bursting with charm and character, this hilarious series about an irresistible rascal is the new must-read for the chapter-book set.

***Heidi Hecklebeck***

**Wanda Coven**

Heidi Heckelbeck and her brother Henry have always been homeschooled--until now. Heidi seems like any other eight-year-old, but she has a secret. She's a witch in disguise. Careful to keep her powers hidden (but excited to use them all the same), Heidi's learning to live like any other kid, who just happens to be a witch.

***Here's Hank***

**Henry Winkler**

Hank Zipzer, The World's Greatest Underachiever is back! Inspired by the true life experiences of celebrity Henry Winkler, whose undiagnosed dyslexia made him a classic childhood underachiever, this series is about the high-spirited and funny adventures of the same boy before he was diagnosed with a learning challenge.

***Humphrey's Tiny Tales***

**Betty G. Birney**

Humphrey, the classroom hamster of Room 26 at Longfellow School, is a favorite of boys, girls, and grown-ups everywhere. Now even younger fans can read about his adventures in a new illustrated chapter-book series! With charming illustrations, shorter page counts and an easier reading level, Humphrey's Tiny Tales are just right for emergent readers.

***Ivy + Bean***

**Annie Barrows**

Features humorous stories about two mischievous and delightful girlfriends, Ivy and Bean who never meant to like each other.

***The Notebooks of Doom***

**Troy Cummings**

Alexander has just moved to a new town where he is about to uncover all sorts of monsters! He finds an old notebook with the word "DOOM" inscribed on the front cover The Notebook of Doom, which Alexander now holds, contains top-secret information about monsters! This series is full of humor, engaging black-and-white illustrations, and of course--monsters!

***Ricky Ricotta***

**Dav Pilkey**

From Dav Pilkey, creator of popular Captain Underpants, and acclaimed artist Dan Santat, an out-of-this-world, funny friendship adventure with all-new, full-color illustrations! - Getting picked on by creeps at your school? Wish you had a special friend? Meet Ricky Ricotta, a small mouse, who is being bullied at school and his best buddy, a giant flying Robot! Young readers will cheer as Ricky and his flying Robot friend soar through the air and battle the diabolical Dr. Stinky, an evil scientist who threatens to take over the world!

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*The following books are on approximately a 3rd-4th grade reading level.*

***A to Z Mysteries***

**Ron Roy**

With strong stories, short chapters, large type, and a dash of illustrations, this series offers a smooth transition between full-color beginning readers and middle-grade chapter books. The unique genre identifications that group

books thematically--including mystery, fantasy, fiction, true stories, humor, history, and classic--make it easy for readers to select their favorite subjects.

***Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures***

**Jeff Brown**

Ever since Stanley was flattened by a bulletin board, he has captured imaginations with his ability to travel by mail. Now, he's off on a global tour in an all-new, geography-themed chapter book series packed with physical high jinx and geographical detail.

***The Magic Tree House***

**Mary Pope Osborne**

A popular series about Jack and Annie and their adventurous travels through time, both historical and mythical, in their magic tree house filled with books.

***My Weird School***

**Dan Gutman**

A.J. and the other second graders do everything except play sports when they go to “fizz ed” class with their new teacher, Miss Small.

***Nancy Clancy***

**Jane O'Connor**

It's a whole new chapter for Fancy Nancy! Nancy Clancy may be a little older, but she's still fancy and full of fun. Whether she's solving a mystery or predicting the future, no one brings pizzazz quite like Nancy! This new chapter book series is perfect for Fancy Nancy fans and beyond.

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***The following books are on approximately a 4th-5th grade reading level.***

***Franny K. Stein***

**Jim Benton**

Lunch walks among us -- Attack of the 50-ft. cupid -- The invisible Fran -- The Fran that time forgot -- Frantastic Voyage -- The Fran with four brains -- The Frandidate. Presents seven stories featuring aspiring mad scientist, Franny K. Stein, who prefers all things spooky and creepy.

***Matt Christopher's Sports Library***

**Matt Christopher**

Presents the re-issued, library bound editions of Matt Christopher's best-selling sports novels. These editions have enhanced covers, quality paper and bindings, as well as large type to make the text more accessible.

***National Geographic Chapters***

National Geographic Kids Chapter books pick up where the best-selling National Geographic Readers series leaves off, offering young animal lovers who are ready for short chapters lively, true stories that are inviting and easy to read. These books are written in simple prose appropriate to children just reading on their own. Featuring full-color, the high adventure series features plot-driven true stories packed with humorous tales and weird-but-true facts sprinkled throughout.

***Zoe's Rescue Zoo***

**Amelia Cobb**

Her special talent comes in handy at her great uncle's animal rescue zoo. At the rescue zoo, injured or endangered animals have a safe place to live. When a very lonely lion cub arrives, Zoe has a plan to help him, but it means taking a big risk!

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