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# Summer Reading Check List



WRITE THE TITLE AND AUTHOR

PICTURE BOOK

FUNNY BOOK

NON-FICTION BOOK

GRAPHIC NOVEL

MYSTERY

READ TO SOMEONE ELSE (ANIMALS COUNT)



## Summer Reading Challenge and Recommendations

Students entering 3rd Grade in Fall 2022

**Goal:** To encourage student reading over the summer AND BEYOND! Books can be added to this checklist if they are read by the student, read to the student, or listened to as an audiobook. Include both title and author in the square.

Complete the checklist to have your name listed on the Summer Reading Extravaganza Wall at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year! Except for the Required Reading, books read do not have to be selected from the recommendations lists, but they are a great start.

### **Required Reading for students entering 3rd Grade - choose one from this list:**

Deborah Dison : *Picture Day Perfection*

Maria Dismundy : *Spaghetti on a Hog Dog Bun*

Janell Cannon: *Pinduli*

Taro Yashima : *Crow Boy*

## Summer Reading Recommendations

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### **Great Chapter Books for 3rd Graders:**

American Girl books : historical fiction series by varying authors

Kathi Appelt : *Maybe a Fox*

Jane Birdsall : *The Penderwicks*

Judy Blume : *Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing*

Frances Hodgson Burnett : *The Secret Garden*

Beverly Cleary : *Ramona series, Henry series AND Ralph series*

Andrew Clements : *Frindle, The Losers Club, Keepers of the School series*

Kate DiCamillo : *Flora & Ulysses AND The Magician's Elephant*

Roald Dahl : *Fantastic Mr. Fox, Charlie & the Choc. Factory, James & the Giant Peach*

Betsy Duffey : *How to Be Cool in the Third Grade*

Jeanne DuPrau : *The City of Ember*

Kate Egan : *The Vanishing Coin series*

Elizabeth Eulberg : *The Great Shelby Holmes series*

Andy Griffiths : *Treehouse series*

Dan Gutman : *My Weird School series AND Genius Files series*

Marcia Thornton Jones : *Ghostville Elementary series*

Patrick Skene Katling : *The Chocolate Touch*  
Gordan Korman : *The Everest series*  
*AND Swindle series*  
Gail Carson Levine : *Ella Enchanted*  
Astrid Lindgren : *Pippi Longstocking*  
Betty MacDonald : *Mrs. Piggle Wiggle series*  
Ann M. Martin : *The Doll People series*  
Megan McDonald : *Judy Moody series*  
Mary Norton : *The Borrowers*  
Sara Pennypacker : *Clementine series*

J.K. Rowling : *Harry Potter series*  
(also a wonderful parent read aloud)  
Steve Stevenson : *Agatha: Girl of Mystery series*  
Geronimo Stilton : *Geronimo Stilton series*  
Thea Stilton : *Thea Stilton series*  
Lauren Tarshis : *I Survived series*  
Sarah Weeks : *Pie, Honey AND Cheese*  
E.B. White : *Trumpet and the Swan, Stuart Little AND Charlotte's Web*  
Rita Williams-Garcia : *One Crazy Summer*

### **Awesome Graphic Novels for 3rd Graders:**

The images in graphic novels reinforce the story. The student needs to study the pictures in order to fully understand the text, and can make inferences about the story based on both the pictures and the dialogue. Brigid Alverson writes in *School Library Journal* that "Educators agree that graphic novels are useful for teaching new vocabulary, visual literacy, and reading skills." Students also gain confidence in their reading skills by being able to decipher what is going on in the story before they have learned how to read every word.

George Beard: *The Adventures of Ook and Gluk series*  
Paige Braddock: *Stinky Cecil series*  
Drew Brockington: *CatStronauts series*  
James Burks: *Bird & Squirrel series*  
Frank Cammuso: *The Misadventures of Salem Hyde series*  
Jack Charbet: *Poptropica series*  
Eric Colossal: *Rutabaga series*  
Mike Crilley: *The Drawing Lesson*

Disney: *Cinestory Comics* - various movies  
Derek Fridolfs: *DC Comics Super Hero Society series*  
Emmanuel Guibert: *Ariol series*  
\*Nathan Hale: *Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales series*  
Shannon Hale: *Rapunzel's Revenge*  
Ben Hatke: *Mighty Jack AND Zita the Spacegirl series*

Jennifer Holm: *Squish* series and *BabyMouse* series

Konami Kanata: *Fuku Fuku* series

Jarrett J. Krozocska: *Lunch Lady* series

Scott McCormick: *Mr. Pants* series

Lincoln Plerce: *Big Nate* series

Anouk Ricard: *Anna & Froga* series

Rafael Rosado: *Giant's Beware* AND *Dragons Beware*

Doug Savage: *Laser Moose* and *Rabbit Boy*

Kevin Sherry: *The Yeti Files* series

Dana Simpson: *Phoebe and Her Unicorn Adventure* series

Ashley Spires: *Binky* series

Sara Varon: *Bake Sale* AND *Robot Dreams* AND *SweaterWeather*

Ursula Vernon: *Hamster Princess* series

Judd Winnick: *HiLo* series

\*Nathan Hale will be visiting Good Shepherd in September to speak to our students. We encourage you to check out one of his graphic novels this summer

### **Read-Aloud Chapter Books for Parents to Read to Children:**

It is wonderful to read picture books aloud to your children as long as you can, no child is too old for a picture book! However, it is also beneficial to read longer books aloud to your children that take a few sittings to finish. Reading 20 minutes before bedtime is a great way to spend time with your kids, and also share stories they will always remember. Here are some chapter books that kids enjoy during their elementary years. The content can sometimes be heavier however, so make sure and preview a book if it seems scary or too much for your child.

Avi : *Poppy*

Blue Balliet : *Chasing Vermeer*

Christopher Paul Curtis : *Bud, Not Buddy* AND *The Watsons Go To Birmingham*

Kate DiCamillo : *Because of Winn Dixie* & *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*

Louise Fitzhugh : *Harriet the Spy*

Madeleine L'Engle : *A Wrinkle in Time*

C.S. Lewis : *Chronicles of Narnia* series (read *The Magician's Nephew* first)

Grace Lin : *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*

Lois Lowry : *Number the Stars*

L.M. Montgomery : *Anne of Green Gables*

Gary Paulson : *Hatchet*

Rick Riordan : *Percy Jackson* series

J.K. Rowling : *Harry Potter* series

Lemony Snicket : *A Series of Unfortunate Events*