



Third Grade Summer Reading List

Summer reading is designed to help student foster a love of reading. It is a time for student to explore new authors and titles. It is a time when students should read whatever they want!! Students should choose from a variety of authors and genre: poetry, fiction, historical fiction, non-fiction, graphic novels, or magazines.

While we do want students to read self-selected literature, students are required to read at least one "classic" over the summer. The *Classic Start Series from Barnes and Noble* is a collection of classic book titles that are retold to appeal to second to fourth graders. The list of titles includes, but is not limited to: Treasure Island, The Swiss Family Robinson, Gulliver's Travels, The Story of King Arthur & his Knights, Anne of Green Gables, The Secret Garden, The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, A Little Princess, and much more. Please choose one of these classics or one from the _____ series of classics.

Third grade students are required to read at least 3 chapter books (including the required classic) over the summer. The summer assignment is for students to choose their favorite book and **fill in the poster* provided by Mrs. Urkevic & Mrs. Dwyer**. Please fill out the poster with complete sentences and paragraphs where necessary; please be neat, creative and colorful.

The following is a list of suggested reading material, authors, and titles:

Fiction:

Stuart Little, by E.B. White

Pippi Longstocking, by Astrid Lindgren

The Phantom Tollbooth, by Norton Juster

The Hundred Dresses, by Eleanor Estes

Sarah Plain and Tall, by Patricia MacLachlan

Molly's Pilgrim, Barbara Cohen

The Double Life of Pocahontas, by Jean Fritz

Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims, by Clyde Robert Bulla

American Tall Tales, by Mary Pope Osborne

Children's Book Series:

Boxcar Children (series), by Gertrude Chandler Warner

The Borrowers (series), by Mary Norton

Romona (series), by Beverly Cleary

Matt Christopher (series), by SPORTS

The American Girl, (series) by the American Girl Company

The Indian in the Cupboard (series), by Lynne Reid Bank

If you Lived in(series), by Ann McGovern

Additional Popular Series:

39 Clues, Percy Jackson, Lemony Snicket, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Ranger's, Magic Tree House, Disney Club Penguin, and Harry Potter, Katie Kazoo, How to Train Your Dragon, Fancy Nancy, The Sister's Grimm, and Emily Windsnap

Additional Noted Authors:

Judy Blume, Roald Dahl, Kate DiCamillo, Richard Scarry, David Adler, Andrew Clements, Barbara Cohen, Joanna Cole, Sid Fleishman, Patricia Reilly Giff, Suzy Kline, John Peterson, Cynthia Rylant, Louis Sachar, Seymore Simon, Shel Silverstein, Nancy Farmer, etc.

Magazines:

Time for Kids

Ranger Rick Sports Illustrated for Kids

Cricket Kids Discover

Jack and Jill

Highlights

***Large 11 x 17 Summer Reading Poster available in school office or a smaller version is attached.**

MY READING RESPONSE WEB

By _____

MAIN IDEA

Write the main idea or message of the story here.

PLOT

Retell the plot in a few sentences here.

BLURB

Write a blurb to "sell" your book here.

CHARACTER

Describe your favorite character here.

BOOK

Draw or paste a picture of the book cover here

Title: _____

Author: _____

PROBLEM

Tell about the story's main problem here.

SOLUTION

Tell how that problem was solved here.

SETTING

Describe a main place the story happens here.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Emotion

Tell about how the story made you feel here.

Connection

Tell what the story reminds you of here.

Rating

I would give this book _____ stars.



QUICKTAKES

Surprise

Something that surprised me about the story was _____

Recommendation

I would recommend this book to _____ because _____

Vocabulary

A word I learned from the story is _____ It means _____