

Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School
James Caldwell Elementary School
Recommended Reading List (2021-2022)
Grade 3



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Realistic Fiction

Auch, Mary Jane	<i>I Was a Third Grade Science Project</i>
Barnes, Derrick	<i>Ruby and the Booker Boys</i>
Barrows, Annie	<i>Ivy and Bean (series)</i>
Brown, Jeff	<i>Flat Stanley (series)</i>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>The Chalk Box Kid</i>
Cameron, Ann	<i>The Story Julian Tells</i>
Catling, Patrick Skene	<i>The Chocolate Touch</i>
Christopher, Matt	<i>The Spy on Third Base and others in the Peach Street Mudders (series)</i>
Cleary, Beverly	<i>Ramona Quimby (series)</i>
Clements, Andrew	<i>Frindle</i>
Danzinger, Paula	<i>Amber Brown is Not a Crayon (series)</i>
DeGross, Monalisa	<i>Donovan's Word Jar</i>
Estes, Eleanor	<i>The Hundred Dresses</i>

Mystery

Adler, Davie	<i>Cam Jansen (series)</i>
Avi	<i>Who Stole the Wizard of Oz</i>
Chandler-Warner, Gertrude	<i>The Boxcar Children (series)</i>
Howe, James	<i>Bunnicula (series)</i>
Keene, Carolyn & Pamintuan, Macky	<i>Nancy Drew and the Clue Crew (series)</i>
Levy, Elizabeth	<i>A Mammoth Mix-Up (Brian & Pea Brain Mystery Series)</i>
Maccarone, Grace	<i>The Haunting of Grade Three</i>
Preller, James	<i>Jigsaw Jones (series)</i>
Ron, Roy	<i>A-Z Mysteries (series)</i>
Ron, Roy	<i>Calendar Mysteries (series)</i>

Sobol, Donald

Encyclopedia Brown: Boy Detective

Realistic Fiction

Gutman, Dan	<i>My Weird School (series)</i>
Gutman, Dan	<i>My Weirder School (series)</i>
Ho, Alvin	<i>Ruby Lu (series)</i>
Maddox, Jake	<i>Jake Maddox (series)</i>
Kline, Suzy	<i>Herbie Jones (series)</i>
Kline, Suzy	<i>Horrible Harry (series)</i>
Lindgren, Astrid Ericsson	<i>Pippi Longstocking (series)</i>
Lowry, Lois	<i>Gooney Bird Greene and the Room</i>
McDonald, Megan	<i>Judy Moody (series)</i>
McDonald, Megan	<i>Stink (series)</i>
Miles, Ellen	<i>Puppy Place (series)</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Third Grade Angels</i>
Winkler, Henry	<i>Here's Hank (series)</i>

Fantasy

Atwater, Richard	<i>Mr. Popper's Penguins</i>
Cleary, Beverly	<i>Ralph S. Mouse</i>
Chabert, Jack	<i>Eerie Elementary Series</i>
Dahl, Ronald	<i>Fantastic Mr. Fox</i>
DiCamillo, Kate	<i>Mercy Watson (series)</i>

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Hurwitz, Johanna	<i>Pee Wee's Tale</i>
Krulik, Nancy	<i>Katie Kazoo Books</i>
Meadows, Daisy	<i>Rainbow Magic (series)</i>
Osborne, Mary Pope	<i>Magic Tree House (series)</i>
Perelman, Helen	<i>Candy Fairies (series)</i>
Scieszka, Jon	<i>The Time Warp Trio: Knights of the Kitchen Table (series)</i>
Stilton, Geronimo	<i>Geronimo Stilton (series)</i>
Vernon, Ursula	<i>Danny Dragon Breath (series)</i>

Historical Fiction

Ackerman, Karen	<i>The Night Crossing</i>
Adler, Susan	<i>Meet Samantha (American Girls Series)</i>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>Pirate's Promise</i>
Coerr, Eleanor	<i>Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes</i>
Hest, Amy	<i>When Jessie Came Across the Sea</i>
Leighton, Maxine Rhea	<i>An Ellis Island Christmas</i>
Mathis, Sharon Bell	<i>The Hundred Penny Box</i>
Sandin, Joan	<i>The Long Way to a New Land</i>
Stevens, Carla	<i>Lily and Miss Liberty</i>
Wilder, Laura Ingalls	<i>Little House in the Big Woods</i>

Biography

Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>Pocahontas and the Strangers</i>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>Squanto: Friend of the Pilgrims</i>
Davidson, Margaret	<i>Helen Keller</i>
Davidson, Margaret	<i>I Have a Dream: The Story of Martin Luther King</i>
Edwards, Robert & Others	<i>Who Was (series)</i>
Meltzer, Brad	<i>I Am Neil Armstrong, ("I am" series)</i>
Moore, Eva	<i>The Story of George Washington Carver</i>

Historical Non-Fiction

Dragonwagon, Crescent	<i>Home Place</i>
Erlich, Amy	<i>The Story of Hannukkah</i>
Fritz, Jean	<i>And Then What Happened, Paul Revere? (and others)</i>
Jakes, John	<i>Susanna of the Alamo</i>
Kunhardt, Edith	<i>Pompeii...Buried Alive!</i>
Tarshis, Lauren	<i>I Survived Series</i>
Levine, Ellen	<i>If You Traveled on the Underground Railroad (and others in this series)</i>
Tarshis, Lauren	<i>I Survived Series</i>

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Biography

Adler, David	<i>Athlete Biography Series</i>
O'Connor, Jim	<i>Jackie Robinson and the Story of All-Black Baseball</i>
Provensen, Alice and Martin	<i>The Glorious Flight: Across the Channel with Louis Bleriot</i>
Rockwell, Anne	<i>Only Passing Through</i>
Sobol, Donald	<i>The Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk</i>
Stanley, Diane	<i>Leonardo da Vinci</i>
Stanley, Diane	<i>Cleopatra</i>

Non-Fiction

Calkhoven, Laurie	<i>I Grew up to Be President</i>
Cameron, Eileen	<i>G is for Garden State: A New Jersey Alphabet</i>
Cole, Joanna	<i>Hungry, Hungry Sharks</i>
Cole, Joanna	<i>The Magic School Bus on the Ocean Floor</i>
Gans, Roma	<i>Let's Go Rock Collecting</i>
Gibbons, Gail	<i>Recycle (and others)</i>
Lauber, Patricia	<i>Who Eats What? Food Chains and Food Webs</i>
Lauber, Patricia	<i>Be a Friend to Trees</i>
Harvey, Miles	<i>Look What Came From China (series)</i>
Simon, Seymour	<i>Mountains (and others)</i>

Poetry

Hopkins, Lee Bennett	<i>My America: A Poetry Atlas of the United States</i>
Hudson, Wade	<i>Pass It On: African American Poetry for Children</i>
Katz, Bobbi	<i>Pocket Poems</i>
Lee, Dennis	<i>The Ice Cream Store</i>
Livingston, Myra Cohn	<i>Celebrations</i>
McCord, David	<i>Every Time I Climb a Tree</i>
Prelutsky, Jack	<i>A Pizza the Size of the Sun (and others)</i>
Prelutsky, Jack	<i>The Random House Book of Poetry for Children</i>
Silverstein, Shel	<i>Falling Up (and others)</i>
Stevenson, James	<i>Candy Corn (and others)</i>