

## Summer Reading Instructions: Grade 3

**Instructions:** Students should read *a minimum of five books*. Two books are required and maybe counted towards the 5 book minimum. These books may include selections from the provided grade level book list or other appropriate favorites. Additional books can be selected in two ways:

- Refer to your student’s ZPD range or GE level on their Star Reading report. You can access [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com) to find a book’s level.
- Refer to their Lexile Level. Please use the comparison chart below. You can access [www.lexile.com/fab/](http://www.lexile.com/fab/) to search for a list of books within your student’s Lexile range.

AR Reading Level	Lexile Reading Level	Lexile Reading Level Range
1.0	300	250-325
1.5	350	325-400
2.0	400	375-450
2.5	475	450-500
3.0	520	475-525
3.5	570	525-600
4.0	640	600-700
4.5	725	650-800
5.0	800	800-850
5.5	875	850-900
6.0	925	875-950
6.5	975	950-1000
7.0	1015	975-1050
7.5	1075	1000-1100
8.0	1125	1050-1125
8.5	1150	1075-1150

Please list the titles of the books your student reads, on the Reading Log or Summary provided in the packet. Next year’s teacher will collect the Reading Log or Summary on **Friday, August 25th**.

The required book(s) listed below is to be read by the beginning of the school year. In the weeks that follow the start of the school year, next year’s teacher will use this book(s) as the first literature unit. In order to be able to properly participate in the assignments or projects given, students must complete the required reading. This book can also be logged into the summer Reading Log.

**\* Required Reading \***

**Title: “*Ice Cream: The Full Scoop*”**  
**Author: Gail Gibbons**  
(complete the attached writing assignment)  
(two worksheets)

  

**Title: “*Who Was Jesus?*” Author: Ellen Morgan**

# Recommended Reading List for Third Grade

1. Horrible Harry Moves Up to Third Grade by Suzy Kline (3.2 AR / 460L)
2. Judy Moody Gets Famous by Megan McDonald (3.3 AR / 490L)
3. Flat Stanley: His Original Adventure by Jeff Brown (3.4 AR/ 550L)
4. Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan (3.4 AR / 560L)
5. Stone Fox by John Reynolds (4.0 AR / 550L)
6. The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies (4.1 AR/630 L)
7. The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Skene Catling (4.6AR/ 770L)
8. The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynn Reid Banks (4.6 AR / 780L)
9. The Magician's Elephant by Kate DiCamillo (5.0 AR /740L)
10. Ramona Quimby, Age 8 by Beverly Cleary (5.6 AR/ 860 L)

Any I Survived books series by Lauren Tarshis (2.4-4.0 AR/ 390-740L)

Any Magic Treehouse series books by Mary Osborne Pope (2.9-5.1 AR/ 400-800L)

## **\*Non-Fiction Titles:**

11. Great White Sharks on the Hunt by Janet Riehecky (3.0 AR / 690L)
12. The Great Houdini by Monica Kulling (3.6AR / 510L)
13. Super Storms by Seymour Simon (3.8 AR / 670L)
14. Pirates by Will Osborne (4.9 AR / 680L)

"By the fourth grade, according to the Common Core, students should be reading equal amounts from "literary" and "informational" texts. In the eighth grade, 45 percent should be literary and 55 percent informational. And by 12th grade, the split should be 30/70."

Kathleen Krull