



**Summer Fun with Reading  
for  
Rising Third Grade Students**

Enrich your student's summer with reading a variety of books! Whether they are on vacation, passing the time or curled up in bed, keeping up their summer reading is one of the best ways to help them stay academically engaged and ready for third grade.

We have attached some suggested titles and authors. The list is simply a guide; other worthy book titles are identified at the American Library Association's website, [www.ala.org](http://www.ala.org). For your convenience, this site lists Caldecott and Newberry Medal Winners and Honor Books. Additionally, local public libraries ([www.npl.lib.va.us](http://www.npl.lib.va.us)) have many of the titles on the suggested reading list available for loan

We have also included a reading log and an assignment for the student to complete for one or more of the books they have read over the summer. If the student decides to complete the assignment, they will be able to contribute their page to our class Book Review Binder when they come in August!

Have fun this summer with reading! Enjoy all the places and times the books will transport you!

Mrs. Besgen and Mrs. Smith

## **Suggested Reading list**

### **Fiction Reading**

Magic School Bus picture or chapter books  
Box Car Children books  
Magic Tree House books  
Historical Fiction series (i.e. American Girl)  
Virginia Reads lists

### **Suggested Authors**

Betsy Byars  
Beverly Cleary  
Andrew Clements  
Roald Dahl  
Louis Sachar  
Jerry Spinnelli

### **Nonfiction Reading Topics**

Rocks/minerals  
Natural disasters  
Constellations  
Norfolk  
Explorers  
Animal Groups

### **Biography Choices**

Thomas Jeffereon  
Christopher Newport  
Betsy Ross  
Thurgood Marshall  
Harriet Tubman  
Benjamin Franklin  
Saint Patrick

Summer Reading Log  
For

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(Name)

Date Completed	Title	Author	Genre
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BOOK REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION

Title of Book:

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Author of Book:

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Genre:

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Name of person giving book review:

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(your name)

Directions: Complete the review below in complete sentences. You may draw a picture of your favorite part on the back of the paper in color pencils or crayons.

1) What was your favorite part of this book and why? Give examples from the book to support your opinion.

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2) Would you recommend this book to one of your friends? What would your friend like to connect to this book?

(i.e. fairies, rocks, volcanoes, scary books)

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