

Suggested Summer Reading List for Students Entering 3rd Grade

To help you select your books, I have made up a reading list for you. You do not need to choose books only from this list. These are just some suggestions to get you started. I challenge you to read at least 3 chapter books and as many picture books as you can. Reading can be independent or shared with another student or adult. The important thing is to continue reading to keep your skills sharp! I have also attached a Reading Challenge to help you get ideas for what and how to read. Check off the items from the list as you accomplish them and then hand it in at the beginning of the school year.

Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish

Black Lagoon Adventures by Mike Thaler

Frog and Toad series by Arnold Lobel

Arthur series by Paula Danzinger

Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park

Magic Treehouse series by Mary Pope Osbourne

Cam Jansen series by David A. Adler

Marvin Redpost series by Louis Sachar

Judy Bloom books

A to Z Mysteries by Ron Roy

Judy Moody series by Megan McDonald

Spiderwick Chronicles by DiTerlizzi Rylant

Magic School Bus series

Cam Jansen series by David A. Adler

Alexander by Judith Viorst

Geronimo Stilton Series

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

WHAT to Read

- Read an eBook
- Read a comic book
- Read a mystery
- Read a recipe
- Read poetry
- Read a "how-to" book
- Read a biography
- Read a joke book
- Read a chapter book
- Read a play
- Read a menu
- Read close captioning on TV
- Read a magazine
- Read song lyrics

HOW to Read

- Read with a flashlight
- Read to a parent
- Read to a sibling
- Read to a pet
- Read outside
- Read to a grandparent
- Read to a neighbor
- Read to a baby
- Read at the public library
- Read to a stuffed animal
- Whisper read

Summer Writing Prompts

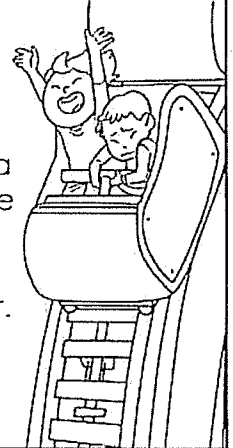
If you could go anywhere in the world during summer break, where would you go and why?



Describe some of the things you might see, feel, hear, taste, and smell during a fireworks display.

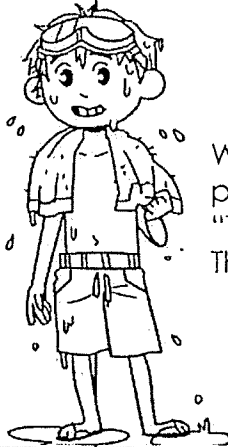
Compare and contrast what you feel when you walk barefoot on grass, sand, and concrete.

Write a poem about a wild ride on a roller coaster.



When you go to an ice cream stand, what do you order? Describe your favorite ice cream treat.

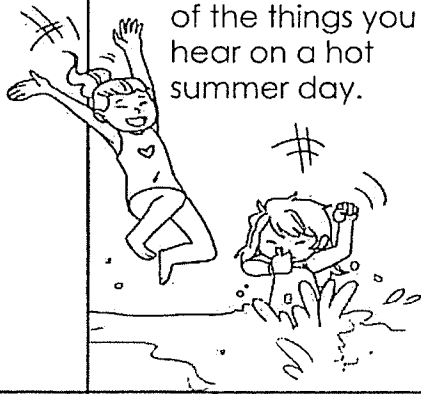
Where would you rather go to swim on a summer day: the beach or the pool? Give three reasons for the answer you chose.



Write a creative poem titled, "The Summer Thunderstorm."

Imagine you are going to set up a wet and wild obstacle course. Write about your obstacle course plan. Tell what it would include.

Describe some of the insects you see in the summer time. Tell what they look like and where you can find them.

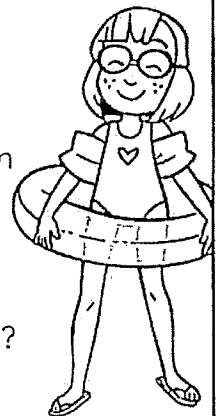


Write about some of the things you hear on a hot summer day.

Write a creative story titled, "The World's Largest Sand Castle."



What is your favorite thing to do when you play outside in the summer?



Write a creative poem titled, "My Camping Trip."



Write about an amusement park, fair, or carnival you have visited. Tell who you went with, where it was, and what you did.

Describe one place you go to get out of the summer heat?



Imagine you are a hummingbird. Write about the things you see and do.