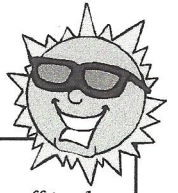


# Second Grade Suggested Summer Reading List



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## **School Stories**

- *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman
- *Arthur's Prize Reader* by Lillian Hoban
- *The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash* by Trinka Hakes Noble
- *Fish Face* by Patricia Reilly Giff
- Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
- *Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse* by Kevin Henkes
- *Miss Nelson Is Missing* by Harry Allard
- Polk Street Gang series by Patricia Reilly Giff

## **Books About Friends**

- *A Bargain for Frances* by Russell Hoban
- *The Beast in Ms. Rooney's Room* by Patricia Reilly Giff
- *Fox on the Job* by James Marshall
- *Frog and Toad Together* by Arnold Lobel
- *Horrible Harry and the Green Slime* by Suzy Kline
- *Pinky and Rex* by James Howe

## **Historical Fiction**

- American Girls series
- *Deputy Dan and the Bank Robbers* by Joseph Rosenbloom
- *Kamishibai Man* by Allen Say

## **Classics to Read Aloud**

- *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll
- *Just-so Stories* by Rudyard Kipling
- *Paddington Bear* by Michael Bond
- *Winnie the Pooh* by A. A. Milne
- *The Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum

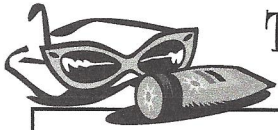
## **Caldecott Awards and Honor Books**

- *The Funny Little Woman* by Arlene Mosel
- *Many Moons* by James Thurber
- *The Ox-Cart Man* by Donald Hall
- *The Story of Jumping Mouse* by John Steptoe
- *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble* by William Steig
- *When I Was Young in the Mountains* by Cynthia Rylant

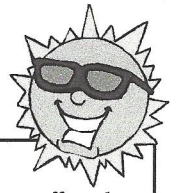
## **Learning to Read Stories**

- Berenstain Bears series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Cam Jansen series by David A. Adler
- Hello Reader!
- I Can Read Books
- Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
- Puffin Easy-to-Read
- Step Into Reading Levels 1-4
- *The Stories Julian Tells* by Ann Cameron

**Enjoy!**



# Third Grade Suggested Summer Reading List



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## **School Stories**

- *Kirsten Learns a Lesson: A School Story* by Janet Beeler Shaw
- *Ramona Quimby Age 8* by Beverly Cleary

## **Animal Stories**

- *The Adventures of Paddington* by Michael Bond (book and tape series)
- *Babe: The Gallant Pig* by Dick King-Smith
- *Catwings* by Ursula K. Le Guin
- *The Lion's Whiskers: An Ethiopian Folktale* by Nancy Raines Day
- *Rats on the Roof and Other Stories* by James Marshall

## **Books About Friends**

- *The Candy Corn Contest* by Patricia Reilly Giff
- *Pinky and Rex* by James Howe

## **Historical Fiction**

- *Ben and Me* by Robert Lawson
- *Changes for Addy* by Connie Rose Porter (and other American Girl books)
- *If You Grew Up with George Washington* by Ruth Belov Gross
- *Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express* by Margaret K. Wetterer
- *Kibitzers and Fools: Tales My Zayda Told Me* by Simms Taback
- *Pink and Say* by Patricia Polacco
- *Snowflake Bentley* by Jacqueline Briggs Martin
- *Teammates* by Peter Golenbock

## **Folktales**

- *Iktomi and the Berries: A Plains Indian Story* by Paul Goble
- *Mirandy and Brother Wind* by Patricia C. McKissack

- *Raven: A Trickster Tale from the Northwest* by Gerald McDermott
- *The Talking Eggs* by Robert D. San Souci

## **Great Series Books**

- Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish
- American Girl series
- Arthur series by Marc Brown
- Berenstain Bears series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner
- Encyclopedia Brown by Donald J. Sobol
- Eyewitness Science Explorers
- Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant
- Horrible Harry series by Suzy Kline
- Little House series by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- Nancy Drew Notebooks by Carolyn Keene early series
- Pee Wee Scouts by Judy Delton
- Polk Street School by Patricia Reilly Giff

## **Award Winners**

- *The Cat Who Went to Heaven* by Elizabeth Jane Coatsworth
- *Doctor De Soto* by William Steig
- *How Much Is a Million?* by David M. Schwartz
- *Jumanji* by Chris Van Allsburg
- *Mercy Watson to the Rescue* by Kate DiCamillo
- *Mirette on the High Wire* by Emily Arnold McCully
- *Prehistoric Pinkerton* by Steven Kellogg
- *Rabbit Hill* by Robert Lawson
- *The Village of Round and Square Houses* by Ann Grifalconi

**Enjoy!**