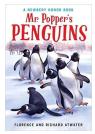
2018 Summer Reading Ideas for Students entering 3rd Grade

Longer Chapter Books: (*books in series)

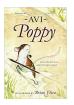


Amato, Mary Snark Attack, Underfoodle and the Secret of Life
Wilbur and his brother, Orville, are two pranksters who manage to come out on
top in this funny series.



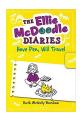
Atwater, Richard *Mr. Popper's Penguins* (1939 Newbery Honor)

Mr. Popper is very excited when a large crate with an Emperor penguin arrives at his house. Soon he has twelve penguins...



Avi Poppy*

Poppy, a deer mouse, urges her family to move next to a field of corn big enough to feed them all, but an owl has other ideas.



Barshaw, Ruth M. Ellie McDoodle: Have Pen Will Travel*

Ellie McDoodle illustrates her sketchbook with chronicles of her adventures and mishaps while camping with her family.



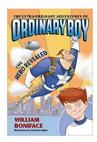
Birney, Betty The World According to Humphrey*

Humphrey is a classroom pet hamster who realizes that he needs to take action to help the students in his classroom.



Blume, Judy Superfudge*

Peter Hatcher's life is turning upside down. A new baby is on the way, the family is moving to New Jersey, and his little brother, Fudge, is still getting into trouble in this funny sequel to Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing.



Boniface, William The Extraordinary Adventures of Ordinary Boy*

Ordinary Boy, the only resident of Superopolis without a superpower, uncovers and foils a sinister plot to destroy the town.



Clements, Andrew Frindle

Upon learning that words are introduced by people, one student decides to try this and starts a schoolwide experiment.



Fleming, Candace The Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary School

An unlikely teacher takes over the disorderly fourth grade class of Aesop Elementary School with surprising results.



Griffiths, Andy 13-Story Treehouse*

Andy and Terry live in an outofthisworld treehouse that has a see-through swimming pool, a shark tank, a vegetable vaporizer and more. The treehouse has so many fabulous distractions that Andy and Terry are having trouble writing their next book.



Hale, Bruce Chet Gecko*

Chet Gecko, top private eye in the 4th grade, follows clues through the school and encounters some interesting students and teachers.



Howe, James Bunnicula*

Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that the new baby bunny must be a vampire.



Lindgren, Astrid Pippi Longstocking *

Escapades of a lucky little girl who lives with a horse and a monkey--but without any parents--at the edge of a Swedish village.



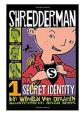
Rockwell, Thomas How to Eat Fried Worms

Ten-year-old Billy accepts a dare: to eat 15 worms in 15 days.



Sachar, Louis Sideways Stories From Wayside School*

Wayside School is 30 stories high and one classroom wide – and that's not the only thing that is strange in these funny stories.



Van Draanen, Wendelin Shredderman*

Nolan Byrd, tired of being called names by the class bully, has a secret identity Shredderman!



Van Glaser, Karina The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street

The Vanderbeekers have always lived in the brownstone on 141st Street. But when they are in danger of losing it, all is fair in love and war when saving their home.

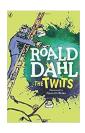
Shorter Chapter Books: (*books in series)



Bass, Patrick

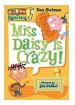
Zero Degree Zombie Zone

Between the bullies, being nominated as hall monitor, and alien ice zombies threatening the school, Bakari is having a tough day! Will he be able to save his school?



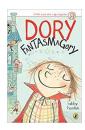
Dahl, Roald The Twits

The misadventures of two terrible old people who enjoy playing nasty tricks and are finally outwitted by a family of monkeys.



Gutman, Dan Miss Daisy is Crazy (My Weird School series)*

A.J. isn't wild about school or learning, but he discovers that his teacher, Miss Daisy, has some pretty unusual teaching techniques.



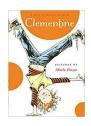
Hanlon, Abby Dory Fantasmagory

Dory spends her summer playing with her imaginary friend, pretending to be a dog, battling monsters, and generally driving her family nuts.



Maddox, Jake Softball Surprise*

Jo has a hard decision to make: she can switch teams and play for the one that is supposed to win the league or she can stay with her friends.



Pennypacker, Sara Clementine*

While sorting through difficulties in her friendship with her neighbor Margaret, eight-year-old Clementine gains several unique hairstyles while also helping her father in his efforts to banish pigeons from the front of their apartment building.



Sanvoisin, Eric The Ink Drinker*

A boy discovers an ink-drinking vampire in his father's bookshop and secretly follows him to his underground vault.



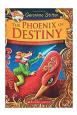
Sczieska, Jon Time Warp Trio*

Whenever three 10-year-old boys open their magical book, it teleports them into incredible adventures with true historical legends. Each page brings an exciting adventure full of mystery and action for three boys who have become the Time Warp Trio.



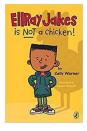
Sobol, Donald Encyclopedia Brown*

"Encyclopedia" Leroy Brown solves ten mysteries and, with the solutions in the back of the book, the reader can do the same.



Stilton, Geronimo The Phoenix of Destiny*

Geronimo is summoned back to the Kingdom of Fantasy and discovers that the Queen Fairy is under an evil spell.



Warner, Sally Ellray Jakes is Not a Chicken*

Ellray makes a deal with his dad to stay out of trouble, but when a bully at school starts picking on him, Ellray isn't sure he can last the week without getting back at the bully.

Graphic Novels: (*books in series)



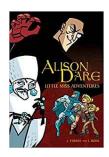
Holm, Jennifer Babymouse: Our Hero*

An imaginative young mouse is terrified to face her enemy in dodgeball, but with the help of her best friend and support from



Spires, Ashley Binky the Spacecat*

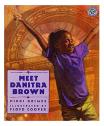
Binky's blastoff into outer space (outside) to battle aliens (bugs) is delayed when he realizes he's left something behind.



Torres, J. Alison Dare*

Alison's life has always been different from other girls her age. After all, she's the niece of an international superspy, the daughter of an archaeologist/adventurer and the masked hero known as the Blue Scarab.

Poetry & Picture Books:



Grimes, Nikki Meet Danitra Brown* (1995 Coretta Scott King Honor)
In 13 spirited rhymes, Zuri Jackson introduces readers to her friend, Danitra
Brown, the "most splendiferous girl in town."



Hoffman, Mary The Color of Home

Hassan and his family have escaped war-torn Somalia and arrived in America. Hassan misses the colors of his home and is having a hard time adjusting to a new school and a new language. He finally communicates through a painting of his old home.

Luyken, Corinna The Book of Mistakes

A memorable book about the creative process, and the way in which "mistakes" can blossom into inspiration.



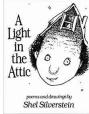
Polacco, Patricia The Keeping Quilt

Four generations of a Jewish family have treasured this quilt, using it for celebrations as well as a simple blanket or tablecloth.



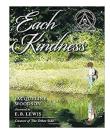
Razcka, Bob Wet Cement: A Mix of Concrete Poems

By using the arrangement of the words on the page to convey the meaning of the poem, concrete or shape poems are fun and easy to write!



Silverstein, Shel A Light in the Attic

Humorous poems and illustrations fill this classic Silverstein book.



Woodson, Jacqueline Each Kindness (Coretta Scott King Honor)

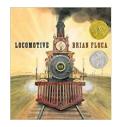
When the teacher gives a lesson on kindness, Chloe realizes too late that she and her friends have been wrong in making fun of a new student's clothes and refusing to play with her.

NonFiction:



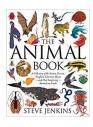
Cate, Annette LeBlanc Lookup! Bird-Watching in Your Own Backyard (2014 Sibert Honor Book)

Using humor and incredibly detailed illustrations, readers are encouraged to get outside and look for birds. The best part is that no fancy equipment is needed. This is a great way to motivate children to be outside.



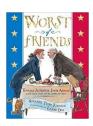
Floca, Brian Locomotive (2014 Caldecott Winner)

Learn all about trains as you read about a family's adventurous journey on the brand new Transcontinental Railroad in 1869.



Jenkins, Steve The Animal Book

Readers will be delighted to learn a multitude of animal facts along with enjoying the illustrations.



Jurmain, Suzanne The Worst of Friends

Learn how Thomas Jefferson and John Adams figured out a way to overcome their differences.



Keating, Jess

The Shark Lady

Discover the story of a woman who dared to dive, defy, and inspire. Eugenia

Clark challenged the idea that sharks were ugly and scary--and that women shouldn't be scientists.



Mattick, Lindsay Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear (Caldecott Medal Winner)

A Canadian veterinary soldier heading to England for World War I discovers a baby bear and takes her along.



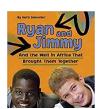
Nelson, Kadir Nelson Mandela (2014 Coretta Scott King Honor Book)

This beautifully illustrated biography celebrates Mandela's life and accomplishments.



Scott, Elaine When Is a Planet Not A Planet?

In 2006 Pluto was downgraded from planet to dwarf planet. Learn how the number of planets has changed through the centuries, what can be called a planet, and how scientists come to conclusions and occasionally change their minds.



Shoveller, Herb Ryan and Jimmy and the Well in Africa that Brought Them Together
A story of one little boy's dream to provide clean drinking water to the people of Africa.

We hope you enjoy these suggestions! Happy summer reading and we will see you in the fall!