

Books for Students Entering 3rd grade

Many reading levels exist among students in the same grade. This list includes suggested authors and titles to assist parents in choosing books that reflect their child’s reading level, interests, and family values.

Book lists with current popular titles are also widely available on the Internet. Check these sites for titles that may interest your student:

[Children’s Book Council - Children’s Choice Awards](#)

[Texas Library Association Bluebonnet Reading Lists for grades 3-6](#)

[Dallas ISD - Luminarias list](#) PK-3rd grade, Bilingual and Spanish. Many authors listed below also publish in Spanish.

Picture Books and Early Readers

Allard, Harry	Miss Nelson is Missing (and other “Miss Nelson” titles)
Blake, Robert J.	Togo
Campoy, F. Isabel & Theresa Howell	Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood
Daywalt, Drew	The Day the Crayons Quit (and other titles by this author)
De la Peña / Robinson	Last Stop on Market Street
dePaola, Tomie	Strega Nona (and other titles)
DiCamillo, Kate	Mercy Watson (and other titles)
Fleming, Candace	Imogene’s Last Stand
Grandits, John	Ten Rules You Absolutely Must Not Break if You Want to Survive the School Bus
Mattick, Lindsay	Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World’s Most Famous Bear
Palatino, Margie	Bad Boys, Piggie Pie
Pilkey, Dav	Dog Breath, The Hallo-Wiener
Polacco, Patricia	Chicken Sunday (and other titles by this author)
Pulver, Robin	Punctuation Takes a Vacation
Reynolds, Aaron	Creepy Carrots (and other titles)
Ryan, Pam Munoz	When Marian Sang
Say, Allen	Grandfather’s Journey (and other titles)
Schanen, Adriana	Quinny & Hopper
Scieszka, Jon	The True Story of the Three Little Pigs (and other titles)
Smith, Lane	John, Paul, George, and Ben
Thaler, Mike	The Gym Teacher from the Black Lagoon (and other titles)
Tonatiuh, Duncan	The Princess and the Warrior
Van Allsburg, Chris	Jumanji (and other titles)
Wiesner, David	Tuesday (and other titles)

Series

Adler, David	Cam Jansen Mysteries
Birney, Betty	Humphrey
Brown, Marc /Stephen Krensky	Arthur chapter books
Brown, Monica	Lola Levine
Danziger, Paula	Amber Brown
Greenburg, Dan	The Zack Files
Gutman, Dan	My Weird School, My Weirder School
Hatke, Ben	Zita the Spacegirl (graphic novel)
Holub, Joan	Heroes in Training
Holm, Jennifer	Babymouse

Klein, Abby	Ready Freddy
Kline, Suzy	Horrible Harry
Krosoczka, Jarrett	Platypus Police Squad
Maddox, Jake	Sports series
McDonald, Megan	Judy Moody and Stink
McMullan, Kate	Dragon Slayers' Academy
Meadows, Daisy	Rainbow Magic Fairies
Medina, Juana	Juana & Lucas
Mills, Claudia	Franklin School Friends
Mlynowski, Sarah	Whatever After
Morgan, Alex	The Kicks
O'Ryan, Ray	Galaxy Zack
Osborne, Mary Pope	The Magic Treehouse
Pennypacker, Sara	Clementine (and other titles)
Peters, Stephanie	Soccer Cats
Rodda, Emily	Fairy Realm
Roy, Rob	A to Z Mysteries
Sachar, Louis	Marvin Redpost
Sobol, Donald	Encyclopedia Brown
Stilton, Geronimo	Geronimo Stilton
Tarshis, Lauren	I Survived
Various Authors	American Girls

Novels

Byars, Betsy	Tornado
Cleary, Beverly	Ramona the Pest (and other titles)
Clements, Andrew	Frindle (and other titles)
Dahl, Roald	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (and other titles)
DiCamillo, Kate	Because of Winn-Dixie, Flora & Ulysses, The Tale of Despereaux
Falafko, Julie	Two Dogs in a Trench Coat Go to School
Lowry, Lois	Gooney Bird Greene
Quinn, Spencer	Woof!
Selfors, Suzanne	Wedgie and Gizmo

Nonfiction

Barretta, Gene	Now and Ben
Cole, Joanna	The Magic School Bus adventures
George, Jean Craighead	How to Talk to Your Dog
Leedy, Loreen	There's a Frog in my Throat! 440 Animal Sayings...
Ohlin, Nancy	Ancient Egypt (Blast Back!)
Raven, Margo Theis	Mercedes and the Chocolate Pilot
Schwartz, David	How Much is a Million? (and other books by this author)
St. George, Judith	So You Want to Be President?
(various authors)	"You Wouldn't Want to Be..." -series
(various authors)	Who Was ...?/ What Was...? - series of biographies and events
Wittenstein, Barry	The Boo-Boos That Changed the World: A True Story About an Accidental Invention (Really!)

Poetry

Clements, Andrew	Dogku
Dakos, Kalli	If You're Not here Please Raise Your Hand (and other titles)
Florian, Douglas	How to Draw a Dragon (and others by this poet)
Gottfried, Maya	Good Dog
Janeczko, Paul	A Kick in the Head
Katz, Alan	Take Me Out of the Bathtub
Kirk, Daniel	Dogs Rule!
Prelustky, Jack	Any by this author (the U.S.A.'s 1 st Children's Poet Laureate)
Rex, Adam	Frankenstein Makes a Sandwich
Shields, Carol Diggory	Almost Late to School
Silverstein, Shel	A Light in the Attic and Where the Sidewalk Ends
Whitehead, Jenny	Lunch Box Mail