The following list contains a selection of books to satisfy the wide variety of reading levels and interests of third grade readers. Many of these authors have other titles which are appropriate for this reading level. The books on this list can be found in the “J” fiction section unless otherwise indicated.

### Adventure and Survival

- Bledsoe, Lucy  
  *Tracks in the Snow.*
- Bodeen, S.A.  
  *Shipwreck Island.*
- Brown, Jeff  
  *The Mount Rushmore Calamity.*
- Chantler, Scott  
  *Tower of Treasure.*
- Clements, Andrew  
  *A Week in the Woods.*
- Doder, Joshua  
  *A Dog Called Grk.*
- Earhart, Kristin  
  *Rain Forest Relay.*
- Fleischman, Sid  
  *The Whipping Boy.*
- Hill, Kirkpatrick  
  *Toughboy and Sister.*
- MacLachlan, Patricia  
  *The Poet’s Dog.*

### J SERIES

- Magic Tree House  
  *Tigers at Twilight.*
- Morris, Gerald  
  *The Adventures of Sir Lancelot the Great.*
- Rosen, Michael  
  *A Tale of Rescue.*
- Small, Charlie  
  *Gorilla City.*
- Tarshis, Lauren  
  *The Shark Attacks of 1916.*

### J GRAPHIC NOVEL

- Wright, Eric  
  *Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom.*

### Animal Stories

#### Real Animals

- Arnold, Elana K.  
  *A Boy Called Bat.*
- Banerjee, Anjali  
  *Seaglass Summer.*
- Bauer, Marion  
  *Little Cat’s Luck.*
- Byars, Betsy  
  *My Dog, My Hero.*
- Davies, Nicola  
  *Manatee Rescue.*
- DiCamillo, Kate  
  *Because of Winn-Dixie.*
- Freeman, Martha  
  *Strudel’s Forever Home.*
- George, Jean Craighead  
  *There’s an Owl in the Shower.*
- Haas, Jessi  
  *Runaway Radish.*
- Kerr, Judith  
  *Mister Cleghorn’s Seal.*
- MacLachlan, Patricia  
  *White Fur Flying.*
- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds  
  *Shiloh.*
Talking Animals

- Birney, Betty G. - The World According to Humphrey
- Coverly, Dave - Night of the Living Worms
- Greenwald, Tom - My Dog Is Better Than Your Dog
- King-Smith, Dick - The School Mouse
- Lawson, Robert - Ben and Me: A New and Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin as Written by His Good Mouse Amos
- Napoli, Donna Jo - The Prince of the Pond: Otherwise Known as De Fawg Pin
- Oulton, Harry - A Pig Called Heather
- Patton, Jack - The Lizard War
- Schmidt, Annie - The Cat Who Came in Off the Roof
- Sherry, Kevin - Remy Sneakers vs. The Robo-Rats
- Whybrow, Ian - Little Wolf's Book of Badness

Biographies

- J B N162b Blumberg, Rhoda - Shipwrecked! The True Adventures of a Japanese Boy
- J B R456b Borden, Louise - The Journey That Saved Curious George: The True Wartime Escape of Margret and H.A. Rey
- JP B C971b Burgess, Matthew - Enormous Smallness: The Story of E. E. Cummings
- J B G646.2 Goodall, Jane - My Life with the Chimpanzees
- J B L516h Haggar, Erin - Awesome Minds: The Inventors of Lego Toys
- J B H557 Hernandez, Laurie - I Got This: To Gold and Beyond
- J OVERSIZE B M585i Illugi Jökulsson - Messi
- JP OVERSIZE B L859k Kerley, Barbara - What to Do About Alice? How Alice Roosevelt Broke the Rules, Charmed the World, and Drove Her Father Teddy Crazy!
- J B G493L Levy, Debbie - I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark
- J B W673m McDonough, Yona Zeldis - Little Author in the Big Woods: A Biography of Laura Ingalls Wilder
- J B Si623n Nelson, S.D. - Sitting Bull: Lakota Warrior and Defender of His People
- J B C628p Pipe, Jim - You Wouldn't Want to Be Cleopatra! An Egyptian Ruler You'd Rather Not Be
- JP B D737r Rappaport, Doreen - Frederick's Journey: The Life of Frederick Douglass
- J 923 St77 Stabler, David - Kid Presidents: True Tales of Childhood from America's Presidents
- J 011.48 WHO RIDE Stine, Megan - Who Was Sally Ride?
Fantasy

Auch, Mary Jane  I Was a Third Grade Science Project.
Bond, Michael  Paddington at Large.
Burgis, Stephanie  The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart.
Butler, Dori  The Haunted Library.
Catling, Patrick  The Chocolate Touch.

J GRAPHIC NOVEL
Christie, Robert  Quirk's Quest. Into the Outlands.
Coville, Bruce  The Monster’s Ring.
Gannett, Ruth  Three Tales of My Father’s Dragon.
Gutman, Dan  Virtually Perfect.
Kessler, Liz  The Tail of Emily Windsnap.
Kuenzler, Lou  A Royal Disaster.
Lacey, Josh  Dragonsitter.
LaFevers, R.L.  Flight of the Phoenix.
Martin, Ann M.  The Doll People.
Mason, Jane B.  If the Shoe Fits.
Murphy, Jill  The Worst Witch.
Oliver, Lin  The Attack of the Growling Eyeballs.
Pounder, Sibeal  Witch Wars.
Prineas, Sarah  The Magic Thief.
Rossell, Judith  Withering-by-Sea.
Scieszka, Jon  Knights of the Kitchen Table.
Selfors, Suzanne  Sasquatch Escape.
Sherman, Delia  The Evil Wizard Smallbone.
Snicket, Lemony  The Bad Beginning.
Vernon, Ursula  Harriet the Invincible.
Webb, Holly  Rose.

Funny Books

Amato, Mary  Snarf Attack, Underfoodle, and the Secret of Life: The Riot Brothers Tell All.

J SERIES  Captain Underpants  Captain Underpants and the Wrath of the Wicked Wedgie Woman.
Cronin, Doreen  The Trouble with Chickens.

Dickinson, Peter  Chuck and Danielle.
Gardner, Lyn  The Lost Treasure of Little Snoring.
Griffiths, Andy  The Day My Butt Went Psycho!
Hornik, Laurie Miller  The Secrets of Ms. Snickle's Class.
Howe, Deborah  Bunnicula: A Rabbit Tale of Mystery.
Kent, Jaden  The Cave of Aaaaah! Doom!
Korman, Gordon  Why Did the Underwear Cross the Road?

J SERIES  My Weirdest School  Mr. Cooper Is Super!

J PICTURE BOOK  O’Malley, Kevin  Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude.
Reeve, Philip  Pugs of the Frozen North.
Ghost and Scary Stories

Cummings, Troy  Rise of the Balloon Goons.
J SERIES  Geronimo Stilton  Cat and Mouse in a Haunted House.
Hahn, Mary Downing  The Doll in the Garden: A Ghost Story.
Half-Minute Horrors.
Hale, Bruce  The Curse of the Were-Hyena.
Kent, Bruce  Scary School.
Matthews, John  Henry Hunter and the Beast of Snagov.
O’Hara, Mo  My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish.
Poblocki, Dan  The Gathering.
Preller, James  Home Sweet Horror.
Riddell, Chris  Goth Girl and the Ghost of a Mouse.
J 398.25 Sch39  Schwartz, Alvin  Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark.
J GRAPHIC NOVEL  Schweizer, Chris  Night of the Frankenfrogs.
Selznick, Brian  The Boy of a Thousand Faces.
J GRAPHIC NOVEL  Telgemeier, Raina  Ghosts.
J GRAPHIC NOVEL  Tulien, Sean  Super Billy Goats Gruff.

Historical Fiction

Appelfeld, Aharon  Adam & Thomas.
Ayres, Katherine  Silver Dollar Girl.
Bishop, Claire  Twenty and Ten.
Brady, Esther  Toliver’s Secret.
Cohen, Barbara  Molly’s Pilgrim.
Conkling, Winnifred  Sylvia & Aki.
Dagg, Carole Estby  Sweet Home Alaska.
Hill, Kirkpatrick  Bo at Ballard Creek.
Larson, Kirby  Liberty.
MacLachlan, Patricia  Sarah, Plain and Tall.
Nannestad, Katrina  When Mischief Came to Town.
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds  Emily’s Fortune.
Park, Linda Sue  The Kite Fighters.
Robinson, Sharon  The Hero Two Doors Down: Based on the True Story of Friendship Between a Boy and a Baseball Legend.
Ryan, Pam Muñoz  Riding Freedom.
Scattergood, Augusta  Making Friends with Billy Wong.
Tarshis, Lauren  The Bombing of Pearl Harbor, 1941.
### Information Books

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Call Number</th>
<th>Author</th>
<th>Title</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>J 777.7 B622</td>
<td>Bishop-Stephens, Will</td>
<td>How to Create Animation in 10 Easy Lessons.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 514.74 C191</td>
<td>Campbell, Sarah C.</td>
<td>Mysterious Patterns: Finding Fractals in Nature.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 594.58 F597</td>
<td>Fleming, Candace</td>
<td>Giant Squid.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 636.7 G135d</td>
<td>Gagne, Tammy</td>
<td>The Dog Encyclopedia for Kids.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 745.5 H417</td>
<td>Hayes, Fiona</td>
<td>51 Things to Make with Cardboard Tubes.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP 784.2 H777</td>
<td>Hood, Susan</td>
<td>Ada’s Violin.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 636.70886 M165</td>
<td>MacLeod, Elizabeth</td>
<td>Top Dogs: True Stories of Canines That Made History.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 398.2 M478</td>
<td>McAllister, Angela</td>
<td>A Year Full of Stories.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J OVERSIZE 796.357 N427</td>
<td>Nelson, Kadir</td>
<td>We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 500 R683</td>
<td>Rockliff, Mara</td>
<td>Mesmerized: How Ben Franklin Solved a Mystery That Baffled All of France.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J597.3 R888</td>
<td>Roy, Katherine</td>
<td>Neighborhood Sharks.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JP 940.1 Sm64</td>
<td>Smith, Danna</td>
<td>The Hawk of the Castle: A Story of Medieval Falconry.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J 658.11 Su96</td>
<td>Sutherland, Adam</td>
<td>Be a Young Entrepreneur: Get Inspired to Become a Business Whiz.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Mystery

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Call Number</th>
<th>Author</th>
<th>Title</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>J SERIES A to Z Mysteries</td>
<td>A to Z Mysteries</td>
<td>The Lucky Lottery.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Adler, David</td>
<td>Cam Jansen and the School Play Mystery.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Barrett, Tracy</td>
<td>The 100-Year-Old Secret.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Briner, K. H.</td>
<td>Snowize &amp; Snitch: Highly Effective Defective Detectives.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Diamond, Jill</td>
<td>Lou Lou &amp; Pea and the Mural Mystery.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Freeman, Martha</td>
<td>Effie Starr Zook Has One More Question.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gray, Jennifer</td>
<td>Atticus Claw Breaks the Law.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Griffin, N.</td>
<td>Smashie McPerter and the Mystery of Room 11.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hale, Bruce</td>
<td>The Mystery of Mr. Nice: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Krosoczka, Jarrett J.</td>
<td>The Frog Who Croaked.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Landon, Lucinda</td>
<td>Meg Mackintosh and the Mystery in the Locked Library: A Solve-It-Yourself Mystery.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Low, A.J.</td>
<td>Sherlock Sam and the Ghostly Moans in Fort Canning.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marois, André</td>
<td>The Sandwich Thief.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McCall Smith, Alexander</td>
<td>The Great Cake Mystery: Precious Ramotswe’s Very First Case.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parish, Peggy</td>
<td>Key to the Treasure.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Riddell, Chris</td>
<td>Goth Girl and the Ghost of a Mouse.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rubin, Sarah</td>
<td>The Impossible Clue.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sobol, Donald</td>
<td>Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Spratt, R.A.</td>
<td>Friday Barnes, Girl Detective.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Warner, Gertrude Chandler</td>
<td>Mystery Ranch.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>J GRAPHIC NOVEL Weing, Drew</td>
<td>The Creepy Case Files of Margo Maloo.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
School, Friends, & Family

Allen, Crystal  Spirit Week Breakdown.
Amato, Mary  Our Teacher Is a Vampire and Other (Not) True Stories.
Becker, Suzy  Kate the Great Except When She’s Not.
Davies, Jacqueline  The Lemonade War.
Giff, Patricia  Jubilee.
Graff, Keir  The Matchstick Castle.
Gutman, Dan  The Get Rich Quick Club.
Krishnaswami, Uma  Book Uncle and Me.
Lin, Grace  The Year of the Dog: A Novel.
Mackler, Carolyn  Best Friend Next Door.
McDonald, Megan  Judy Moody.
McGovern, Cammie  Just My Luck.
Mills, Claudia  The Trouble with Babies.
Moss, Marissa  Amelia's Notebook.
Pennypacker, Sara  Waylon! One Awesome Thing.
Pritchett, Georgia  Wilf the Mighty Worrier Saves the World.
Sachar, Louis  Kidnapped at Birth?
Sachs, Marilyn  JoJo & Winnie: Sister Stories.
Shevah, Emma  Dara Palmer’s Major Drama.
Smith, Janice Lee  The Monster in the Third Dresser Drawer and Other Stories About Adam Joshua.
Spinelli, Jerry  Fourth Grade Rats.
Sternberg, Julie  Friendship Over.
Winkler, Henry  Niagara Falls, or Does It?
Woodrow, Allan  The Pet War.
Ziegler, Jennifer  Revenge of the Flower Girls.

Science Fiction

Ball, Nate  Blast Off!
Brallier, Max  Cosmoe's Wiener Getaway.
Coville, Bruce  My Teacher Is an Alien.
Dorman, Brandon  The Alien That Ate My Socks.
Hatke, Ben  Zita the Spacegirl: Far from Home.
Kelley, Jane  Octo-Man and the Headless Monster.
Pittman, Eddie  Red’s Planet.
Reeve, Philip  Cakes in Space.
Scieszka, Jon  Frank Einstein and the Antimatter Motor.
Scieszka, Jon  Spaceheadz: Book 1.
Torres, J.  Brobots and the Kaiju Kerfuffle.

Sports

Bowen, Fred  Hardcourt Comeback.
Coy, John  Hoop Genius: How a Desperate Teacher and a
Duffey, Betsy
Rowdy Gym Class Invented Basketball.

Gutman, Dan
Lucky in Left Field.

Howard, Ryan
The Million Dollar Shot.

Kelly, David
My New Team.

Kline, Suzy
The Gold Medal Mess.

Mills, Claudia
Molly Gets Mad.

Peirce, Lincoln
Basketball Disasters.

Robinson, Sharon
Revenge of the Cream Puffs.

Spurr, Elizabeth
Safe at Home.

Testa, Maria
Surfer Dog.

Wallace, Rich
Some Kind of Pride.

Wallace, Rich
Double Fake.