



***Suggested Books for Rising Third Grade Students
Summer 2021***

All students must read one biography to share when they return to school. The Who Was? Or Who Is? series offers a variety of topics and reading abilities. Another great biography series for third graders with 22 titles is The Story Of: A Biography Series for New Readers.

**Students may read books not on this list.*

Fiction

- *Abby Takes a Stand* by Patricia McKissack
- *Adventures of Henry Whiskers* by Gigi Priebe
- *Akimbo and the Lions* by Alexander McCall-Smith
- *Anansi's Party Time* by Eric Kimmel
- *Angus and Sadie* by Cynthia Voigt
- *Charlotte's Web* by E. B. White
- *Children of the Longhouse* by Joseph Bruchac
- *Clara Lee and the Apple Pie Dream* by Jennie Han
- *Cleonardo* by Mary GrandPre
- *Cricket in Times Square* by George Selden
- *Donavan's Word Jar* by Monalisa DeGross
- *Each Kindness* by Jacqueline Woodson
- *Evangline Mudd* by David Elliott
- *Flora and Ulysses* by Kate Di Camillo
- *Fortunately, the Milk* by Neil Gaiman
- *Freckle Juice* by Judy Blume
- *Frindle* by Andrew Clements
- *Henry's Freedom Box* by Ellen Levine
- *Hunter Moran Saves the Universe* by Patricia Reilly Giff
- *If You Decide to Go to the Moon* by Faith McNulty
- *Landry News* by Andrew Clements
- *Love, Amalia* by Alma Flor Ada
- *Matilda* by Roald Dahl
- *Mouse and the Motorcycle* by Beverly Cleary
- *My Father's Dragon* by Ruth Stiles Gannett
- *No Talking* by Andrew Clements
- *Ruby and the Booker Boys* by Derrick Barnes Derrick
- *Ruby's Wish* by Shirin Yim Bridges



- *Sheep* by Valerie Hobbs
- *Stuart Little* EB White
- *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda* by Tom Angleberger
- *The Year of Billy Miller* by Kevin Henkes
- *The Year of the Book* by Andrea Cheng
- *Uncle Jed's Barber Shop* by Margaree King Mithchell and James Ransome

Popular Series

- A to Z Mysteries by Ron Roy
- *Alvin Ho* series by Leonore Look.
- *Amber Brown* by Paula Danzinger
- *Animal Planet Adventures*, various authors
- *Anna Hibiscus* by Atinuke
- *Bad Kitty* by Nick Bruel
- *Ballpark Mysteries*, series by David Kelly
- *Balto* series by various authors
- *Binky the Space Cat* by Ashley Spires
- *Bobby the Brave (Sometimes)* series by Lisa Yee
- *Boxcar Children* by Gertrude Warner
- *Cam Jansen* series by David Adler
- *Catwings* by Ursula LeGuin
- *Clementine* series by Sara Pennypacker
- *Dyamonde Daniel* by Nikki Grimes
- *Encyclopedia Brown* series by David Sobel
- *Flat Stanley* by Jeff Brown
- *Geronimo Stilton* series by Elisabetta Dani
- *Goddess Girls* series by Joan Holub
- *Half Magic* series by Edward Eagar
- *Humphrey* series by Betty Birney
- *Ivy and Bean* by Annie Barrows
- *I Survived* series
- *Jasmine Green Rescues*, series by Helen Peters
- *Judy Moody* by Megan McDonald
- *Just Grace* by Charise Mericle Harper
- *Lulu* series Hilary Park McKay
- *Magic Shop Series* by Kate Egan and Mike Lane
- *Magic Tree house* series by Mary Pope Osbourne



- *Melonhead* series by Kelly Katy
- *My Weird School* by Dan Gutman
- *Nikki and Deja* by Karen English
- *Ramona* Series by Beverly Cleary
- *Sherlock Sam and the Missing Heirloom in Katong* (series) by A J Low
- *The Magic School Bus* series by Joanna Cole
- *The Questioners* by Andrea Beatty
- *Tom Swift, Young Inventor* series by Victor Appleton
- *Wayside School* series by Louis Sachar
- *Whatever After* series
- *Wondrous Rex* by Patricia MacLaughlin
- *Time Warp Trio* series by Jon Scieszka

Nonfiction

- *A True Story* by Helen Lester
- *Actual Size* by Steve Jenkins
- *At the Same Moment Around the World* by Clotilde Perrin
- *Baseball's Best: Five True Stories* by Andrew Gutelle
- *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* Picture Book Edition by William Kamkwamba
- *Bugs Before Time: Prehistoric Insects and Their Relatives* by Cathy Camper
- *Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Osofu Yeboah* by Laurie Ann Thompson
- *Feathers, Not just for Flying* by Melissa Stewart
- *Finding Home* by Sandra Markle
- *George Washington's Mother* by Jean Fritz
- *Gigantic Ants and Other Cases* by Seymour Simon
- *Grand Canyon* by Jason Chin
- *Helen Keller: Courage in the Dark* by Johanna Hurwitz
- *Henry's Freedom Box* by Ellen Levine
- *How a Book is Made* Alike
- *How to Be Cool in the Third Grade* by Betsy Duffey
- *I Was a Third Grade Spy* by Mary Jane Auch
- *Ice Cream: The Full Scoop* by Gail Gibbons
- *Island: A Story of the Galapagos* by Jason Chin
- *Jackie Robinson and the Story of All Black Baseball* by Jim O'Connor
- *Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln* by Jean Fritz
- *Knut: How One Little Polar Bear Captivated the World* by Isabella Hatkoff
- *The Watcher: Jane Goodall's Life with the Chimps* by Jeannette Winter



- *Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History* by Vashti Harrison
- *Little Legends: Exceptional Men in Black History*
- *Living Color* by Steve Jenkins
- *Louis Braille, The Boy Who Invented Books for the Blind* by Margaret Davidson
- *Measuring Penny* by Loreen Leedy
- *Pompeii-Buried Alive!* by Edith Kunhartz
- *Salt in His Shoes* by Deloris Jordan
- *Shark Attack!* by Cathy East Dubowski
- *Sisters and Champions, the Story of Venus and Serena Williams* by Howard Bryant
- *Space Station Plot and Other Cases* by Seymour Simon
- *The Story of Biography Series for Young Readers: Topics include: Fred Rogers, Abraham Lincoln, Harriet Tubman, Jane Goodall, Martin Luther King, Jr., Marie Curie, Amelia Earhart, Simone Biles*
- *The Story of Barack Obama* by Tonya Leslie
- *It's Her Story: Rosa Parks* (a graphic novel) by Lauren Burke
- *The Story of Ruby Bridges* by Robert Coles
- *The Story of Ruth Bader Ginsburg: A Biography Book for New Readers* by Susan B. Katz
- *Who Was Series?* Various subjects