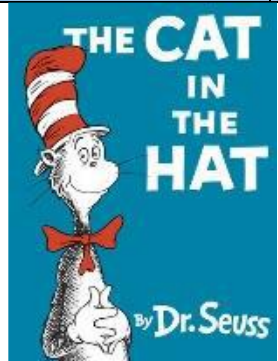
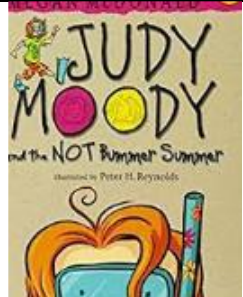
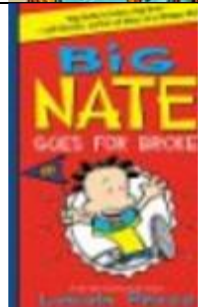
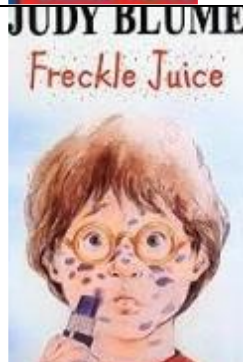







### 40 Recommended Reading Books for Year 3




We have carefully selected books that we hope will capture your imagination and that you will enjoy reading on your own and with your families. The list contains a description of the book so that you can choose your favourites or something that looks interested. We have also indicated the difficulty level. Star badges will be awarded as you read books from the list – you will need to record a brief response to a reading task as well. A bronze badge will be awarded once you have read 5 books from the list, a silver badge after reading 10, a gold badge once you have read 15 and a platinum badge for reading 20.

Title	Image	Author	ISBN	Description	Lexile / Difficulty	Date Read
The Cat in the Hat		Dr Seuss	9780449810866	Poor Dick and Sally. It's cold and wet and they're stuck in the house with nothing to do . . . until a giant cat in a hat shows up, transforming the dull day into a madcap adventure	2.1	

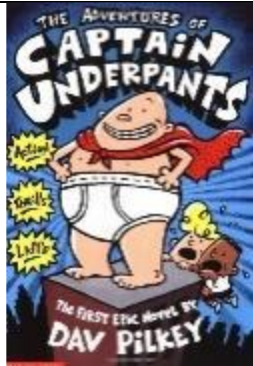
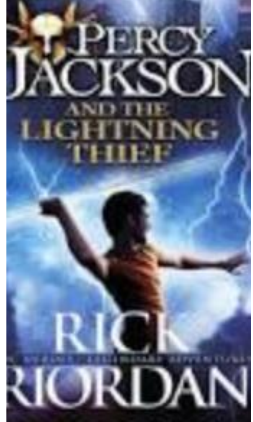
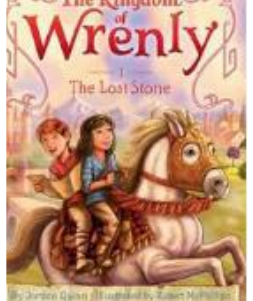
Judy Moody	 The book cover for 'Judy Moody and the NOT Bummer Summer' features a cartoon girl with a large, orange, heart-shaped hairdo and a blue chair. The title 'JUDY MOODY' is in large, colorful letters, and the subtitle 'and the NOT Bummer Summer' is below it.	Megan McDonald	9780763606855	To start, Judy Moody doesn't have high hopes for Third Grade. Her new desk won't have an armadillo sticker with her name on it. But when Mr. Todd assigns a very special class project, she really gets a chance to express herself!	3	
Big Nate Goes For Broke	 The book cover for 'Big Nate Goes For Broke' shows a cartoon boy with a large head and a red background. The title 'BIG NATE GOES FOR BROKE' is written in bold, colorful letters.	Lincoln Peirce	9780062102379	Big Nate is going for broke in the fourth novel in the hilarious New York Times bestselling series by Lincoln Peirce! This time, Nate and his friends are in the Ultimate Snowdown--a wintry snow-sculpture competition against the bullies from Jefferson Middle School, who beat P.S. 38 at EVERYTHING!	3.1	
Freckle Juice	 The book cover for 'Freckle Juice' features a cartoon boy with glasses and freckles, holding a marker. The title 'Freckle Juice' is written in a red, cursive font. Above the title, the author's name 'JUDY BLUME' is printed in bold, black letters.	Judy Blume	9780440428138	Nicky has freckles – they cover his face, his ears and the whole back of his neck. Sitting behind him in class, Andrew once counted eighty-six of them. One day, he works up enough courage to ask Nicky where he got them....but does he want to find out the truth?	3.1	

<p>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing</p>		<p>Judy Blume</p>	<p>9780440 484745</p>	<p>The story of a boy who is constantly being overshadowed by his little brother.</p>	<p>3.3</p>	
<p>Sarah, Plain and Tall</p>		<p>Patricia MacLachlan</p>	<p>9780064 402057</p>	<p>The house on the prairie is quiet not that Caleb and Anna's mother has died. When Papa write's to get a new wife, Sarah, plain and tall in a yellow bonnet arrives.</p>	<p>3.4</p>	
<p>Miss Daisy is Crazy</p>		<p>Dan Gutman</p>	<p>9780060 507008</p>	<p>Never before has school been this mixed up-or this much fun! Miss Daisy, who teaches second grade, doesn't know how to add or subtract. Not only that, she doesn't know how to read or write, either</p>	<p>3.4</p>	


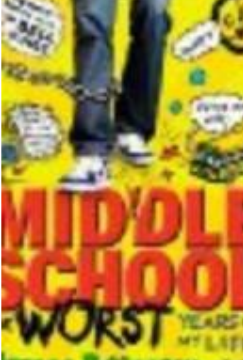

The One and Only Ivan		Katherine Applegate	9780061992278	Ivan is an easy-going gorilla. Living at the Exit 8 Big Top Mall and Video Arcade, he has grown accustomed to humans watching him through the glass walls of his domain. He rarely misses his life in the jungle. In fact, he hardly ever thinks about it at all.	3.6	
Middle School: Dog's Best Friend		James Patterson	9780316349543	Rafe's been to the beach and now he's headed to the bush u watch out Australia! It's fair to say that Rafe's recent trip Down Under could not easily be called a success	4	
The Tower of the Elf King		Tony Abbott	9780439207720	Best friends stumble upon the magical world of Droon, that is filled with wizards and sorcerers, pillow-shaped folks, and strange landscapes like invisible cities. Fast action, engaging characters, and imaginative situations are this series' hallmarks	4.1	

<p>The Girl Behind the Glass</p>		<p>Jane A. Kelley</p>	<p>9780375 962202</p>	<p>Hannah and Anna Zimmer, 11-year-old twins, reluctantly move with their family from their beloved Brooklyn to a creepy house on Hemlock Road. Right away, the siblings are unnerved by bizarre disturbances: a haunted closet, mysterious winds, bats in the attic, and a faint voice.</p>	<p>4.1</p>	
<p>The Last Kids on Earth</p>		<p>Max Brallier</p>	<p>9780425 287507</p>	<p>The Last Kids on Earth is about a boy and his friends surviving a monster-zombie apocalypse. The main character is thirteen year old, Jack Sullivan, who is the hero of the story.</p>	<p>4.1</p>	
<p>The Soccer Star</p>		<p>Sally Rippin</p>	<p>9781610 670968</p>	<p>Meet Billie B. Brown, brave, brilliant, bold, and bound to become your best friend! Brand-new readers will readily relate to this series of stand-alone, everyday adventures</p>	<p>4.2</p>	

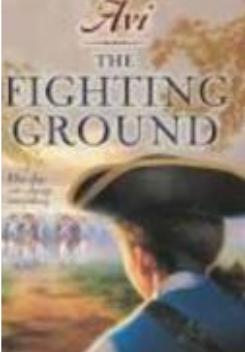
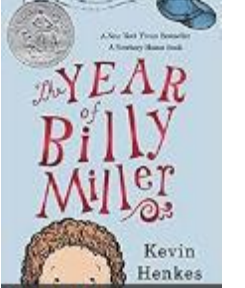
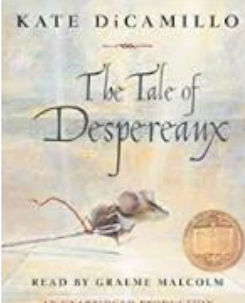
Crenshaw		Katherine Applegate	9781250043238	Pitch-perfect story about boy and family facing hard times.	4.3	
The Fourteenth Goldfish		Jennifer L Holme	9780375870644	Eleven-year-old Ellie has never liked change. She misses fifth grade. She misses her old best friend. She even misses her dearly departed goldfish. Then one day a strange boy shows up. He's bossy. He's cranky. And weirdly enough . . . he looks a lot like Ellie's grandfather, a scientist who's always been slightly obsessed with immortality. Could this pimply boy really be Grandpa Melvin?	4.3	
Flora and Ulysses		Kate DiCamillo	9780763660406	The squirrel's brush with death causes him to develop so called superpowers. Flora then named the squirrel Ulysses after the vacuum cleaner. Flora explains to Ulysses that he must use his newfound powers to right wrongs, fight injustice, "or something."	4.3	

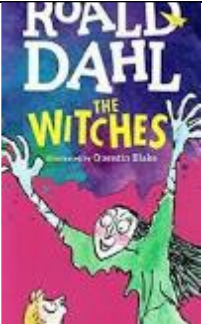
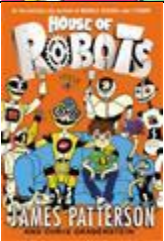
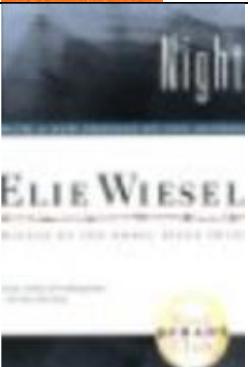
<p>The Adventures of Captain Underpants</p>		<p>Dav Pilkey</p>	<p>9780590846268</p>	<p>Now with super-cool foil covers! Shiny! Fun! George and Harold have created the greatest superhero in the history of their elementary school-- and now they're going to bring him to life! Meet Captain Underpants! His true identity is so secret, even HE doesn't know who he is!</p>	<p>4.3</p>	
<p>Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief</p>		<p>Rick Riordan</p>	<p>9781423117100</p>	<p>Percy Jackson is a good kid, but he can't seem to focus on his schoolwork or control his temper. Percy has angered some mythological monsters.</p>	<p>4.5</p>	
<p>The Lost Stone</p>		<p>Jordan Quinn</p>	<p>9781142496903</p>	<p>Lucas is an only child who longs to make friends and go on adventures. Clara knows the kingdom well, so she and Lucas team up and explore the lands of Wrenly!</p>	<p>4.5</p>	

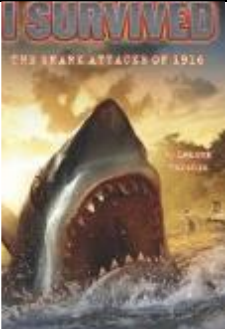



The Lost Hero		Rick Riordan	9781423 113393	Jason doesn't remember anything before waking up on a school bus holding hands with a girl.	4.5	
Middle School – The Worst Years of My Life		James Patterson	9780316 101875	Rafe has an epic imagination and a slight problem with authority, and these things collide when he transfers to a middle school where students are expected to follow the rules. This doesn't sit well with Rafe. With help from his new friend Leo the mischievous lad concocts schemes to drive his tyrannical principal crazy.	4.5	
Ella Enchanted		Gail Carson Levine	9780064 407052	Ella's Childhood. When Ella of Kyrria is born, she is visited by the fairy Lucinda. Ella won't stop crying and Lucinda, aggravated, gives her the gift of obedience. She orders the infant to stop crying, and Ella does	4.6	



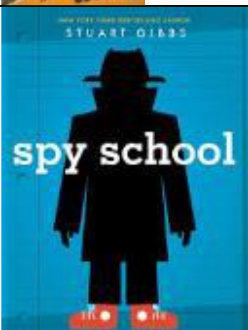



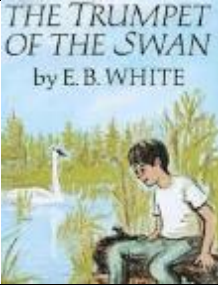
The Fighting Ground		Avi	9780808594529	Set in 1778, a thirteen year old boy knows he is ready to go to war just like his brother and cousin	4.7	
The Year of Billy Miller		Kevin Henkes	9780062268129	Billy's father, Papa, tells Billy that he will be fine, and drawing on a summer letter from the woman who will become Billy's second grade teacher, Mrs. Silver, in which she mentions the Chinese Year of the Rabbit, Papa explains that this year will actually be the Year of Billy Miller.	4.7	
The Tale of Despereaux		Kate DiCamillo	9780763625290	The main plot follows the adventures of a mouse named Despereaux Tilling, as he sets out on his quest to rescue a beautiful human princess from the rats.	4.7	

The Witches		Roald Dahl	9780141301105	Meet a hero, a wise old grandmother, and the most gruesome, grotesque gang of witches imaginable	4.7	
House of Robots		James Patterson	9780316346795	Fifth-grader Sammy Hayes-Rodriguez struggles to fit in when his inventor mother requires him to take her latest creation, a robotic "brother," to school with him to learn to become a student. The co-author is Chris Grabenstein.	4.7	
Night		Elie Wiesel	9780374500016	A poignant account of a teenager's survival in the Nazi death camps.	4.8	

<p>I Survived the Shark Attacks of 1916</p>		<p>Lauren Tarshis</p>	<p>9780545 206952</p>	<p>Based on true events. It is the summer of 1916 and the Jersey Shore is being terrorised by a Great White shark. Can ten year old Chet and his friends survive a swim in the local creek?</p>	<p>4.8</p>	
<p>I Survived the Attacks of September 11th</p>		<p>Lauren Tarshis</p>	<p>9780606 262057</p>	<p>On the day that shocks the world, one boy just wants to find his dad. A powerful addition to the gripping I SURVIVED series</p>	<p>4.8</p>	
<p>The Girl Who Drank the Moon</p>		<p>Kelly Barnhill</p>	<p>9781616 205676</p>	<p>Every year, the people of the Protectorate leave a baby as an offering to the witch who lives in the forest. They hope this sacrifice will keep her from terrorizing their town. But the witch in the forest, Xan, is kind and gentle</p>	<p>4.8</p>	

The BFG		Roald Dahl	9780142 410387	Ten-year-old Sophie is in for the adventure of a lifetime when she meets the Big Friendly Giant (Mark Rylance). Naturally scared at first, the young girl soon realizes that the 24-foot behemoth is actually quite gentle and charming.	4.8	
My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish		Mo O'Hara	9781250 029195	This book is about Tom and a goldfish that his brother Mark, is using in a science project. Mark dunks Frankie the goldfish into toxic gunk, then Tom and Pradeep, another character, zap Frankie back to life.	4.8	
Nancy Drew: The Secret of Mirror Bay		Carolyn Keene	9780448 095493	When Nancy Drew and her friends go to a lake in New York to investigate reports of a woman gliding over water, they discover a treasure underwater	5	

Magician's Elephant		Kate DiCamillo	9780763652982	In her eagerly awaited new novel, DiCamillo--the Newbery Medal-winning author of "The Tale of Despereaux"--conjures a haunting fable about trusting the unexpected and making the impossible come true.	5	
My Teacher is an Alien		Bruce Coville	9780671737290	"Sixth grade is just out of this world..." Susan Simmons can tell that her new substitute teacher is really weird. But she doesn't know how weird until she catches him peeling off his face -- and she realizes that "Mr. Smith" is really an alien!	5.3	
Spy School		Stuart Gibbs	9781442421820	Twelve-year-old Ben Ripley leaves his public middle school to attend the CIA's highly secretive Espionage Academy, which everyone is told is an elite science school	5.3	
The Land of Stories: Beyond the Kingdoms		Chris Colfer	9780316406888	The Masked Man is running amok; recruiting the most dastardly villains from literature to join his dark army. Can Alex and Conner stop him?	5.3	

<p>The Trumpet of the Swan</p>		<p>E.B. White</p>	<p>9780064400480</p>	<p>Knowing how to read and write is not enough for Louis, a voiceless Trumpeter Swan; his determination to learn to play a stolen trumpet takes him far from his wilderness home</p>	<p>6</p>	
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