

2025 Suggested Reading for Students Entering Grade 3

This list was created by the youth librarians at Beebe Library to help you find a book you will enjoy. For information about your school's summer reading assignments, please contact your school.

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Want more recommendations? Please ask us! Happy reading!

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***Amelia Fang and the Barbaric Ball* series by Laura Ellen Anderson**

Meet everyone's favorite vampire, Amelia Fang, her pet pumpkin Squashy, and her friends Florence the yeti and Grimaldi the reaper man. Follow along as they engage in a series of hilarious adventures in these great chapter books.

Children's Early Chapter Anderson

***Fabled Stables* series by Jonathan Auxier**

A magical building filled with one-of-a-kind creatures is taken care of by Auggie, the only human boy at the Stables. When the building SHAKES and SHUDDERS, TWITCHES and SPUTTERS—it's making room for a new arrival! It's Auggie's job to venture out and rescue a new creature from mortal danger.

Children's Early Chapter Auxier

***Arcade World* series by Nate Bitt**

Life in Normal used to be pretty normal. Many of the kids would meet up at the local arcade to hang out. Arcade World was the weirdest, coolest place. They had video games that no one ever heard of before. But one day, the video games came alive!

Children's Comics Bitt

***Zeus the Mighty* series by Crispin Boyer**

Greek mythology meets cute talking animals in this hilarious fiction series, starring Zeus the Mighty, King of the Gods, Ruler of Minions, along with the crazy critters of the Mount Olympus Pet Center.

Children's Fiction Boyer

***CatStronauts* series by Drew Brockington**

Alerted to a global energy crisis, the President consults with the World's Best Scientist, who suggests sending a special group of astronauts to turn the moon into a solar power plant.

Children's Comics Brockington

***Binder of Doom* series by Troy Cummings**

Alexander Bopp is the leader of the Super Secret Monster Patrol, where he and his club members have sworn to protect the town from monsters.

Children's Early Chapter Cummings



Bailey School Kids series by Debbie Dadey

The third graders at Bailey Elementary are so hard to handle that all of their teachers have quit. But their new teacher, Mrs. Jeepers, is different -- to say the least. She's just moved from Transylvania.

Children's Comics Dadey

Wednesday Wilson series by Bree Galbraith

The most important thing to know about Wednesday Wilson is that she's an entrepreneur. She hasn't started any businesses yet, but she's pretty sure today is the day.

Children's Early Chapter Galbraith

Max Meow series by John Gallagher

After taking a bite of a radioactive space meatball, Max, a regular cat, gains superpowers and begins to fight crime.

Children's Comics Gallagher

The InvestiGators series by John Patrick Green

With their Very Exciting Spy Technology and their tried-and-true, toilet-based travel techniques, the InvestiGators are undercover and on the case!

Children's Comics Green

Spy Penguins series by Sam Hay

Adventure-loving penguin Jackson dreams of being a secret agent like his Uncle Bryn, who works for the Frosty Bureau of Investigation. Jackson and his gadget-inventing best friend Quigley might officially be too young to join the FBI, but they aren't going to let that stop them! They just need to come up with the right plan to prove that they are worthy.

Children's Early Chapter Hay

MVP (Most Valuable Players) series by David A. Kelly

This series features the coolest club around—the Most Valuable Players! They solve mysteries and compete in athletics while showing real team spirit and never giving up!

Children's Early Chapter Kelly

Surviving the Wild series by Remy Lai

Planet Earth meets *Narwhal and Jelly* in this funny and suspenseful early reader graphic novel series featuring heroic animals surviving in the perilous wilderness! Inspired by true events, the story includes facts about climate change, sharks, and how kids can help protect the environment.

Children's Comics Lai

Total Mayhem series by Ralph Lazar

A hilarious action comedy about Dash Candoo, who must defeat extraordinary foes every school day. Every day is dangerous, and there is no such thing as a boring day.

Children's Early Chapter Lazar

Mindy Kim series by Lyla Lee

Mindy Kim just wants three things: a puppy, to fit in at her new school, and for her dad to be happy again. But getting all three of the things on her list is a lot trickier than she thought it would be.

Children's Early Chapter Lee



Spirited series by Liv Livingston

Olivia “Liv” Livingston thinks life on the right side of Narrow Bridge is, well, just right! What’s not to love about the perfect town of Pleasant Place? But then her parents pack up and move the family to the left, spooky side of the bridge...right into Gloomsdale.

Children’s Comics Livingston

Abby in Orbit series by Andrea J. Loney

It's the first day of third grade, and Abby Baxter is determined not to make any mistakes. It's a little trickier than it was last year, though, because Abby is starting school on the OASIS International Space Station, where her parents are scientists.

Children’s Early Chapter Loney

Key Hunters series by Eric Luper

Getting lost in a good book has never been this dangerous! Cleo and Evan have a secret collection of books so dangerous that they are locked up tight. But when a friend vanishes inside the pages of one of the books, it's up to Cleo and Evan to find the key that will set her free.

Children’s Early Chapter Luper

Real Pigeons series by Andrew McDonald

Did you know your town is protected by a secret squad of crime-fighting feathered friends? These comical birds solve mysteries, fight bad guys, and won’t stop until your neighborhood is safe.

Children’s Comics McDonald

Wind Riders series by Jen Marlin

Hop aboard Wind Rider, a magical sailboat, with Max and Sofia, two kids trying to save the environment one problem at a time.

Children’s Early Chapter Marlin

Upside Down Magic series by Sarah Mlynowski

Nory is excited to start magic school, but it turns out that her magic is a little... unpredictable. Wonky. Upside-down. When she gets sent to the upside-down magic room at Dunwiddle Magic School, instead of the prestigious Sage Academy like she planned, she meets Elliott, Andres, and Bax, who have similar problems, and together they learn to accept, and maybe even embrace, their talents. Maybe turning into a half-kitten-half-dragon isn’t all that bad?

Children’s Fiction Mlynowski

Agent Moose series by Mo O’Hara

Agent Moose, the best (worst) secret agent in the Big Forest, and his slightly-more-intelligent sidekick Owlfred are on the case in this funny graphic novel series.

Children’s Comics O’Hara

Waylon! series by Sara Pennypacker

Waylon, a boy with the mind of a scientific genius and the vulnerable heart of an eight year old, is trying to understand his older sister and deal with changes among the kids at school.

Children’s Fiction Pennypacker



A-Z Animal Mysteries series by Ron Roy

Solve animal mysteries from A-Z. Young clue hunters Abbi, Daniel, and Lydia sniff out clues to help solve mysterious cases involving animals, beginning with alpacas.

Children's Early Chapter Roy

Bibsy Cross series by Liz Garton Scanlon

Meet Bibsy Cross, a regular-pegular eight-year-old kid who loves to learn, loves school, and loves to ask questions - maybe a few too many questions. But how can she sit still when life is so exciting? Of course, her teacher thinks that Bibsy is just too much and needs to listen more. Can Bibsy and her teacher ever see eye to eye?

Children's Early Chapter Scanlon

Grimwood series by Nadia Shireen

Two foxes on the run arrive in the weird town of Grimwood where thieving eagles, dramatic ducks, riotous rabbits, and a whole host of unusual characters live. This series is perfect for young readers who love animals and are looking for big laughs along with friendship, humor, and adventure.

Children's Comics Shireen

Cupcake Diaries: The New Batch series by Coco Simon

Cupcake Club founder Katie Brown's stepsister Emily is nervous at her new school, but makes new friends and enters a baking contest. She doesn't just want to be a "mini Katie," though. Can she find her own way to bake?

Children's Early Chapter Simon

Maggie Sparks series by Steve Smallman

Step into the magical world of Maggie Sparks, the mischievous little witch who turns every day into an adventure. Join Maggie as she learns how to tackle school, make friends, and, most confusing of all, understand her emotions—when she's not facing dragons and meeting aliens, that is!

Children's Early Chapter Smallman

Kit the Wizard series by Louie Stowell

A funny, fast-paced fantasy adventure series starring a reluctant reader-turned-wizard who finds power in books and saves the library and the world!

Children's Fiction Stowell

Sam Wu series by Katie Tsang

Sam Wu is NOT a scaredy-cat (except he is). A laugh-out-loud, series of madcap stories with Sam meeting ghosts, sharks, spiders, outer space and more!

Children's Fiction Tsang

Trouble at Table Five series by Tom Watson

A series about three third grade best friends whose plans, missions and schemes are sure to shake up their school.

Children's Early Chapter Watson

