

The Village School's Rising 3rd Grade Summer Reading Packet

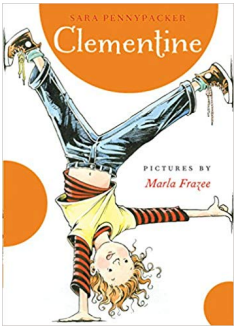


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You may choose to complete and turn in the following pages on the first day of school in August.

Dear Students and Parents,

Summer is a wonderful time to read for pleasure and enrichment. This summer all rising third graders may choose to read 30 minutes daily. In addition, students may choose to fill in the summer reading log and complete 3 activities from the choice board for our whole-class read, *Clementine*, written by Sara Pennypacker.



Clementine is one funny third grader. ... The first person perspective allows the reader to see things from Clementine's point of view, and it is always a very funny angle. When her fourth grade neighbor, Margaret, accidentally gets glue in her hair and tries to cut it out, the trouble begins.

You may purchase *Clementine* through [Amazon](#) or at your local bookstore by title and ISBN-13 number 978-0786838837.

This novel provides an opportunity for third graders to share a common reading experience and serves as a jumping off point for classroom discussions at the beginning of the school year. Please see [this PDF](#) for the Choice Activity Board.

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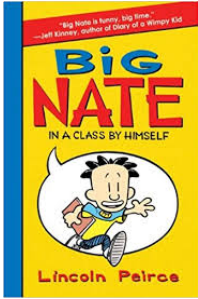
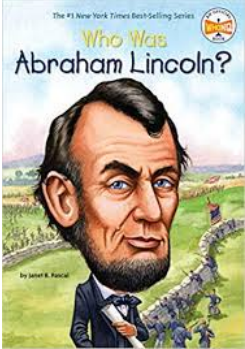
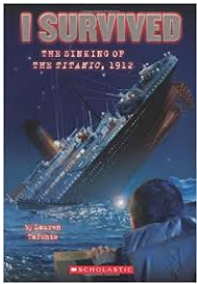

Additional Optional Suggested Summer Reading Book Titles for Rising 3rd Graders:

Book	Author & Title	Description
	Miss Daisy is Crazy By: Dan Gutman (Series)	When Miss Daisy returns to Ella Mentry School as a substitute teacher, the kids are in for a weird and wacky day of not learning about math, writing, the weather, and more
	Mr. Klutz is Nuts By: Dan Gutman (Series)	A skateboarding principal offers unusual incentives to his students to motivate them to learn more. Principal Klutz was hanging upside down from the school flagpole! He kissed a pig on the lips!
	Ivy & Bean #1 By: Annie Barrows (Series)	The moment they saw each other, Bean and Ivy knew they wouldn't be friends. But when Bean plays a joke on her sister, Nancy, and has to hide quickly, Ivy comes to the rescue, proving that sometimes the best of friends are people never meant to like each other.
	Sideways Stories from Wayside School By: Louis Sachar	Sideways Stories From Wayside School is a collection of tales from an imaginary school that was incorrectly constructed. The school was supposed to have been built as a one-story building, thirty rooms long. But the contractor turned the building plan onto its side, and thus the school was constructed as a thirty-floor structure, only one room wide. There is no elevator...and there is also no nineteenth floor. That fact, like many others in the story, is never explained.
	The Eve of the Emperor Penguin #40 By: Mary Pope Osborne	JACK AND ANNIE continue their quest for the secrets of happiness--secrets they need to save Merlin. This time, the Magic Tree House takes them to the one continent they haven't visited before: Antarctica! What can they hope to learn about happiness in such a barren place? Only the penguins know for sure . . . Jack and Annie are about to find out!

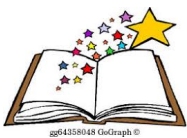
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	<p>Ramona Quimby, Age 8 By: Beverly Cleary</p>	<p>Ramona Quimby, Age 8, is a story of a young third-grader's experiences as she starts a new school year at a new school and deals with family stresses. Ramona endures some embarrassing episodes at school and learns to address a misunderstanding she has with her teacher.</p>
	<p>Judy Moody was in a Mood. Not a Good Mood. A Bad Mood. By: Megan McDonald</p>	<p>Judy Moody was in a Mood. When school starts, Judy Moody is not all that excited. In fact, she's in a bad mood just thinking about it. But when her teacher assigns each of the students to make a collage about themselves, she thinks this could be pretty interesting.</p>
	<p>Diary of a Wimpy Kid By: Jeff Kinney</p>	<p>Middle school is not an enjoyable experience for preteen Greg Heffley (Zachary Gordon) but a horrid ordeal of social landmines that he must bear. To do so, he devises schemes to win him the recognition and status he feels he deserves -- all of which fail miserably. Greg chronicles his misadventures, thoughts and opinions in a diary to prepare for the day that he will no longer have to put up with nonsense.</p>
	<p>Geronimo Stilton The Curse of the Cheese Pyramid By: Elisabetta Dami</p>	<p>Grandfather sends Geronimo to Egypt to get a story on a professor who has discovered an energy source using camel dung. Though Geronimo's Dirt Cheap Airlines flight nearly crashes and he gets trapped in an ancient pyramid, he ends up enjoying his adventure and writing a book about it.</p>
	<p>Mrs. Piggle Wiggle By: Betty MacDonald</p>	<p>The Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle series is about a small woman who lives in an upside-down house in a lively neighborhood inhabited mainly by children who have bad habits. Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle has a chest full of magical cures left to her by her deceased husband, Mr. Piggle-Wiggle, who was a pirate.</p>

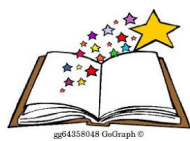
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	<p>Frindle By: Andrew Clements</p>	<p>"Frindle" is about a fourth-grade boy named Nick who has a reputation for making life difficult for teachers by doing small things that annoy them. In fifth grade Language Arts, he is more creative than his very strict teacher, Mrs. Granger.</p>
	<p>Big Nate in a Class by Himself By: Lincoln Peirce</p>	<p>Nate knows he's meant for big things. REALLY big things. But things don't always go your way just because you're awesome. Nate barely survives his dad's toxic oatmeal before rushing off to school --- minus his lunch. He body slams the no-nonsense principal. He accidentally insults his least favorite teacher, the horrifying Mrs. Godfrey (aka Godzilla). And school has barely started!</p>
	<p>Who Was Abraham Lincoln? By: Janet Pascal</p>	<p>Abraham Lincoln (February 12, 1809 - April 15, 1865) was an American statesman, politician, and lawyer who served as the 16th president of the United States from 1861 until his assassination in April 1865. ... Born in Kentucky, Lincoln grew up on the frontier in a poor family.</p>
	<p>I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic By: Lauren Tarshis</p>	<p>People said it was unsinkable. But when the Titanic slams into an iceberg in the middle of the night, 2,229 passengers face a terrifying life-or-death situation. Among them are 10-year-old George Calder, his younger sister Phoebe, and his young but wealthy Aunt Daisy. The year is 1912.</p>
	<p>Third Grade Angels By: Jerry Spinelli</p>	<p>George, aka "Suds," has just entered third grade, and he's heard the rhyme about "first grade babies/second grade cats/third grade angels/fourth grade rats," but what does this mean for his school year? It means that his teacher, Mrs. Simms, will hold a competition every month to see which student deserves to be awarded "the halo" - which student is best-behaved, kindest to others, and, in short, perfect. Suds is determined to be the first to earn the halo, but he's finding the challenge of always being good to be more stressful than he had anticipated.</p>

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