



The Anderson School • P.S. 334
Summer 2018 Grade 3 Summer Assignment and Reading List

Required Summer Reading for all students. Pick at least one of the three books below to read and prepare to discuss the topics below:

Marshfield Dreams, by Ralph Fletcher

Knucklehead by Jon Scieszka

Walk Two Moons by Sharron Creech

Below are topics to discuss with your family while reading the book this summer. Please use your Post-it Notes to mark your text evidence and be sure to bring the book and Post-it Notes with you on the first day of school.

- Share how the author creates the setting for the stories, using descriptive language. Share some examples from the text.
- Share a lesson that you think the author is trying to convey to the reader, and share examples from the text

Recommended Fiction:

If a Tree Falls at Lunch Period by Gennifer Choldenko

It Only Looks Easy by Pamela Curtis Swallow

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH
by Robert C. O'Brien

My Life as a Fifth-Grade Comedian by Elizabeth Levy

It's Not the End of the World by Judy Blume

Baseball Great by Tim Green

The Biggest Klutz in Fifth Grade
by Bill Wallace

Eggs by Jerry Spinelli

Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine

Framed by Frank Cottrell Boyce

The Invention of Hugo Cabret
by Brian Selznick

The Strange Case of Origami Yoda by Tom Angleberger

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

Holes by Louis Sachar

The One and Only Ivan by Katherine A. Applegate

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson

Bone by Jeff Smith

Recommended Mystery and Adventure:

Scat by Carl Hiaasen

The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart

NERDS: National Espionage, Rescue, and Defense Society by Michael Buckley

Rapunzel's Revenge by Shannon Hale

Enola Holmes: the Case of the Missing Marquess by Nancy Springer

Recommended Biography/Memoir:

The Last Rider: the Final Days of the Pony Express by Jessica Gunderson

Orphan Train Rider: One Boy's True Story by Andrea Warren

Helen's Eyes: A Photobiography of Annie Sullivan, Helen Keller's Teacher, by Marfe Ferguson Delano

Recommended Diverse Books

Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis. Elijah is the first child born into freedom in Buxton, Canada, a community of runaway slaves.

Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things by Lenore Look, Phan LeUyen. Alvin is afraid of nearly everything, the dark, substitute teachers, and girls. He doesn't know why; he comes from a long line of Chinese warrior farmers.

Eagle Song by Joseph Bruhac. Children's books that focus on contemporary Native Americans are few and far between, this award-winning storyteller is a rare find.

Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai. Inspired by the author's own childhood of fleeing Vietnam as a refugee and immigrating to Alabama (Newberry Winner).

At Her Majesty's Request, by Walter Dean Myers. An African Princess in Victorian England

A Long Walk to Water, by Linda Sue Park. Naya goes to the pond to fetch water for her family. She walks eight hours each day.

Dad, Who Will I Be? By G. Todd Taylor. This book inspires, encourages and educates young readers to be great by introducing to them heroes of color from a number of different professions.

