



Parents & Guardians

Our summer reading program is based upon these four goals:

- (1) Maintain learning gains from school year,
- (2) Develop stronger reading skills,
- (3) Expose children to quality literature, and
- (4) Encourage a love of books.

Ideas to support your child's summer reading:

- Set aside time each day for reading
- Read together as a family
- Allow your child to choose the book
- Plan regular visits to the library
- Listen to audiobooks in the car
- Participate in the summer programs at the local library

How to Rock the Read Aloud

- Read with expression. Try creating different voices for different characters.
- Encourage your child to ask questions about the characters, pictures, and words.
- Talk about the story with your child. Did he or she like it? Why?
- Your child may want you to read the same story over and over again. After several retellings, ask your child to tell *you* the story.
- Model Making Connections: Strong readers aren't passive—their minds are constantly making connections between what they read and the world around them. As you read, pause to connect the book to other books you have read together, to your memories, or to places or events you both know.

Entering Third Grade



This summer, spend some time exploring the world around you through the books we have compiled! In this brochure you will discover great new books by award-winning authors.

Did you know that you can use the library's lobby/curbside pick-up to borrow books? Or, that many books are available in eAudio or eBook format, too. Not sure how this works? Just ask your librarian.

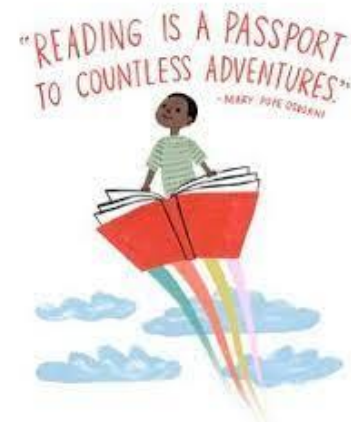
Our town librarians are book experts. They have *thousands* of amazing books that they want to share with you! Whatever you're interested in, there's a book for you. Adventure awaits!

Ayer Public Library

(978-772-8250)
26 E. Main Street, Ayer, MA
www.ayerlibrary.org

Hazen Memorial Library (978-425-2620)

3 Keady Way, Shirley, MA
www.shirleylibrary.org



Grade 3 Suggested Titles

Title	Author	Type
A River of Dust: The Life-Giving Link Between North Africa and the Amazon	Jilanne Hoffmann	NonFiction
Ada Lace, On the Case	Emily Calandrelli	Fiction
Amulet (Series)	Kazu Kibuishi	Fiction
Animal BFFs: Even Animals Have Best Friends	Sophie Corrigan	Fiction
Animal Sidekicks	Macken Murphy	NonFiction
Beneath	Cori Doerrfield	Parent ReadAloud
Big	Vashti Harrison	Fiction
Bridges	Marc Majewski	NonFiction
Child of the Flower-Song People	Gloria Amescua	NonFiction
Dragons in a Bag	Zetta Elliott	Fiction
Endlessly Ever After: Pick Your Path to Countless Fairy Tale Endings	Laurel Snyder	Fiction
Fungi Grow	Maria Gianferrari	NonFiction
Hank Zipzer Series	Henry Winkler	Fiction
I Am Every Good Thing	Derrick Barnes	Fiction
In Between	April Pulley Sayre	NonFiction
In My Mosque	M.O. Yuksel	Fiction
Knights vs. Dinosaurs	Matt Phelan	Fiction
Laxmi's Mooch	Shelley Amond	Fiction
Leroy Ninker Saddles Up: Tales from Deckawoo Drive	Kate DiCamillo	Fiction
Ling and Ting: Not Exactly the Same	Grace Lin	Fiction
LOL 101 a Kid's guide to writing jokes	David Roth	Fiction
Lovely Beast: The Surprising Truth	Kate Gardner	NonFiction
My Weird School (series)	Dan Gutman	Fiction
Nell Plants a Tree	Anne Wynter	Fiction
Odder	Katherine Applegate	Fiction
Ranger in Time (series)	Kate Messner	Fiction
Rocket to the Moon!: Big Ideas that Changed the World #1	Dan Brown	NonFiction
Say Something	Peter Reynolds	NonFiction
Shark Lady: The True Story of How Eugenie Clark Became the Ocean's Most Fearless Scientist	Jess Keating	NonFiction
Sleuth & Solve: Science, 20 + Mind Bending Mysteries	Anna Gallo	NonFiction
Stinkbomb & Ketchup-Face & the Badness of Badgers	John Dougherty	Fiction
Summertime Sleepers: Animals that Estivate	Melissa Stewart	NonFiction
The Book of Turtles	Sy Montgomery	NonFiction
The Chicken Squad (series)	Doreen Cronin	Fiction
The Day You Begin	Jacqueline Woodson	Parent ReadAloud
The Leaf Detective: How Margaret Lowman Uncovered Secrets in the Rainforest	Heather Lang	NonFiction
The Magic and Mystery of Trees	Jenn Green	NonFiction
The Mouse with the Question Mark Tail	Richard Peck	Fiction
The Proudest Blue: A Story of Hijab & Family	Ibtihaj Muhammad	Fiction
The Truth About Dragons	Julie Leung	Fiction
There was a Party for Langston	Jason Reynolds	NonFiction
Things in the Basement	Ben Hatke	Parent ReadAloud
Two Headed Chicken (series)	Tom Angelberger	Fiction

