

# Rising 3rd Grade Reading Log

2026-2027

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parents and Students,

The following list was created by Dr. Kyleene Beers, past president of the National Council of Teachers of English and author of several books including *When Kids Can't Read/ What Teachers Can Do*; *Notice and Note: Strategies for Close Reading*; and, *Disrupting Thinking: Why How We Read Matters*.

Dear Students,

The following books are “required” reading for the summer:

1. All the books (and I mean ALL the books) you really want to read.
2. Any of the books that your friend wants you to read and once you start that you actually like.
3. One (or more if you choose) of the books your mom/dad/grandparent/teacher/or any other person who looks a LOT older than you promises you will LOVE if once you start it you do indeed discover you do love it.
4. Something you think looks hard. You'll discover if you really want to read it, it won't actually be that hard.
5. An author or topic you haven't read before. You might discover a new topic or author you really like!
6. Joke books. They will keep you laughing (and will make your parents nuts). Be sure to tell the corniest jokes during dinner.
7. And then you simply must finish the summer with more of what YOU want to read.

After completing your summer reading, please answer the following questions:

1. What book did you enjoy most and would love to share with your class at the beginning of the school year?
2. How did you feel about your summer reading assignment?

Parent Signature:

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