

Third Grade

Summer Reading 2009

Juvenile Fiction (J):

Amato, Mary. Take the Mummy and Run. Guts, brains and a little slobber are all you need to have a ripsnorting good time. Follow the Riot Brothers in their mummy-chasing adventure.

Avi. Poppy and Ereth. The newest book in the Poppy series, When Dimwood Forest is covered in a deep blanket of snow, Ereth the porcupine believes his friend Poppy is gone forever... but really another adventure has just begun.

Barshaw, Ruth. Ellie McDoodle: Have Pen, Will Travel. Take a peek at Ellie's drawings and diary as she writes about her horrible family and how she is forced to take a camping trip.

Betancourt, Jeanne. Ava Tree and the Wishes Three. Ava realizes that she needs to be careful about what she asks for when her wishes start coming true during her "backwards, upside-down, and inside-out" birthday party.

Delaney, Michael. Obi, Gerbil on the Loose. When Obi's owner leaves on vacation, the pet-sitter forgets all about the gerbil.

Dowell, Frances O'Rourke. Phineas L. Macguire... Blasts Off! Hoping to earn money to attend Space Camp, fourth-grade science whiz Phineas Macguire gets a job as a dog walker.

Gay, Marie-Louise and David Homel. Travels with my Family. Family vacations are supposed to be something to look forward to. Unless, that is, your parents have a habit of turning every family outing into a risky proposition-by accident of course.

Gifford, Peggy. Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Writing Thank-You Notes. All Moxy has to do is write 12 thank you notes by the day after Christmas, and then she and her brother Mark can go to Hollywood to visit their father.

Hale, Bruce. The Prince of Underwhere. Travel to a world where people wear undies outside their clothes, and follow Zeke as he tries to destroy the evil UnderLord's throne.

Hannigan, Katherine. Emmaline and the Bunny. Emmaline wants a bunny, but she lives in the town of Neatasapin, where everyone and everything must be neat and tidy – is there room for a wild bunny?

Hart, Alison. Horse Diaries: Bell's Star. In the Vermont spring of 1853, Bell's Star, a Morgan horse, and his owner Katie rescue a runaway slave and try to outwit the slave catchers in order to help her to freedom.

Look, Lenore. Alvin Ho, Allergic to Girls, School and Other Scary Things. Alvin is painfully shy at school. The girl that sits next to him has always spoken for him, but this year Alvin is determined to make new friends.

O'Roark Dowell, Frances. Phineas L. MacGuire...Erupts! Fourth-grade science whiz, Phineas L. MacGuire, is forced to team up with the new boy in science class on a science fair project, but the boy's quirky personality causes Phineas to wonder if they have a chance of winning.

Service, Pamela. My Cousin the Alien. Ethan thinks he's an alien. His cousin Jack thinks he's crazy—but then why do a bunch of fat bald men start following them?

Juvenile Fiction, cont. (J):

Simon, Francesca. Horrid Henry. Horrid Henry causes his brother, Perfect Peter, all sorts of problems when he behaves properly for a change.

Teitelbaum, Michael. Wild Pitch. The Backyard Bombers are tired of being bossed around by their first baseman. Can they stop fighting long enough to win against the Sluggin' Tigers?

Viau, Nancy. Samantha Hansen Haas Rocks in Her Head. Sam loves rocks, so she'll do anything (even put up with her annoying little sister), if it means she can take a trip with her family to the Grand Canyon.

Webb, Holly. Cat Magic. Lottie goes to stay with her uncle who owns a pet shop and discovers that she and the animals can talk to each other.

Series Favorites (J) and (J Series wall):

Gutman, Dan. My Weird School

Howe, Deborah and James. Bunnacula

Kidd, Rob. Jack Sparrow

Scieszka, Jon. Time Warp Trio

Trine, Greg. Melvin Beederman

Winkler, Henry. Hank Zipzer

Greenburg, Dan. (Series Wall) Maximum Boy.

Preller, James. (Series Wall) Jigsaw Jones

Sachar, Louis. (Series Wall) Marvin Redpost

Stilton, Geronimo. (Series Wall) Geronimo Stilton

Nonfiction:

Two Bobbies by Kirby Lawson. The story of a dog who protects his family's cat after both are homeless in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. **J Picture Book Larson**

Sparrow Girl by Sara Pennypacker. Based on a true story, Ming-Li is determined to save some birds as her fellow citizens are asked to spend three days trying to rid them from the countryside.

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Down Down Down: A Journey to the Bottom of the Sea by Steve Jenkins. Learn about strange animals that hang out near deep sea vents, live in a layer of slime in the middle of the ocean, and more! **591.77 Je**

Bill Martin Jr. Big Book of Poetry by Michael Sampson. Award-winning illustrators accompany Bill Martin, Jr.'s favorite poems. A wonderful compilation of children's poetry. **811.54 Bi**

You Wouldn't want to be Tutenkamen by David Stewart. Learn why Tut's dad was really unpopular and why he was buried in such a small tomb. Fun facts about Egypt and mummies. **932 St**

Adventures in Cartooning: How to Turn Your Doodles into Comics by James Sturm. Simple lessons in cartooning are woven into this story about an impatient knight, a cowardly horse, and a magical elf.

