



## Books for Third Grade SRC 2010

### **Chapter Books (J)**

**Beard, Darleen Bailey.** Annie Glover is Not a Tree Lover.

When her grandmother chains herself to the tree across from the school to save it from being cut down, fourth-grader Annie wants to die of humiliation, but when she discovers the town's history, her attitude changes.

**Cheshire, Simon.** Saxby Smart, Private Detective: The Curse of the Ancient Mask and Other Case Files.

For students who enjoy Encyclopedia Brown and solving mysteries.

**Davis, Tony.** Roland Wright: Future Knight.

Roland Wright wants to be a knight in armor. The problem: Roland's dad is a blacksmith, and only boys from noble families can even dream of becoming knights. When mysterious visitors arrive in the village one day, everything changes. Roland finds himself in the contest of a lifetime, with a real chance to become a page, the first step on the road to knighthood. But how can skinny, clumsy Roland beat an opponent who is bigger, stronger, and older—and who doesn't play by the rules?

**Fleming, Candace.** Lowji Discovers America.

Lowji's American Dream was to have a pet in his new apartment, but the owner doesn't allow animals. That won't stop Lowji from trying to convince her that animals might be very useful to have around!

**Gay, Marie-Louise.** Travels with My Family.

Join two boys as they take some unusual (and hilarious) summer vacations and encounter rogue waves, a hurricane, strange food, and more.

**LaFevers, R.L.** Flight of the Phoenix (Nathaniel Fludd Beastologist: Book 1).

When Nate's parents are declared lost at sea, he heads off to live with his distant cousin Phil (short for Philomena), who happens to be the last remaining beastologist. This story is full of adventure and mythical beasts, as Nate must travel with Phil to Arabia to oversee the birth of a phoenix.

**Larry, H.I.** Zac Power: Poison Island.

Zac's family works for the Government Investigation Bureau. His newest mission is to track down Dr. Drastic, a scientist who is blackmailing countries all over the world to buy Solution X, a substance that will cure diseases everywhere.

**Look, Lenore.** Alvin Ho: Allergic to Camping, Hiking, and Other Natural Disasters.

Alvin is afraid of almost everything, and in this story his fears revolve around an upcoming camping trip.

**Mills, Claudia.** How Oliver Olson Changed the World.

Afraid he will always be an outsider like ex-planet Pluto, nine-year-old Oliver finally shows his extremely overprotective parents that he is capable of doing great things without their help while his class is studying the solar system.

**Salisbury, Graham.** Calvin Coconut: Dog Heaven.

What do you want so badly that you can taste it—and can you persuade someone to give it to you? That's the subject of a writing assignment Calvin's fourth-grade teacher, Mr. Purdy, gives the class. Calvin wants a dog – can he persuade his mom that he is responsible enough?

**Schlitz, Laura Amy.** The Night Fairy.

When Flory the night fairy's wings are accidentally broken and she cannot fly, she has to learn to do everything differently. What she finds is that the world is very big and very, very dangerous. But Flory is fierce and willing to do whatever it takes to survive.

**Truit, Trudy.** Secrets of a Lab Rat: No Girls Allowed (Dogs Okay).

Fearless 9-year old "Scab" McNally tries to get his twin sister's help in convincing their parents to get a dog. But when he embarrasses her at school, all bets are off.

**Van Draanen, Wendelin.** Gecko and Sticky: The Villain's Lair.

Dave has a talking Gecko that talks him into retrieving some magic coins with super powers. But the coins are held by evil Damien Black-- in a cage with a Komodo dragon!

## **Chapter Book Series (J)**

**Hale, Bruce.** Underwhere.

It's tough to be Zeke. He's got his hands full with his prissy, know-it-all sister; his mean cousin Caitlyn, who's house-sitting for his missing parents; and a bully making life tough at school. And now, thanks to a stinky, scruffy, good-for-nothing talking cat, he's also got to cope with zombies, midget freedom fighters, devious spies, superstar rappers, and a whole weird world beneath our own where people wear their underwear on the outside of their clothes.

**Pennypacker, Sara.** Clementine.

Clementine is a funny third-grader with a talent for trouble and a good heart.

**Sage, Angie.** Araminta Spookie.

Fun for readers who like books that are spooky but not too scary.

**Stilton, Geronimo.** Geronimo Stilton.

Join Geronimo Stilton on fabulous adventures! Come along as he searches for the Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye, treks through the wild jungle, hunts for a legendary gem in the Temple of the Ruby of Fire, and sets out across the ocean looking for sunken treasure!

## **Non-Fiction**

**Buckley, Carol.** Tarra and Bella: The Elephant and Dog Who Became Best Friends.

After retiring from the circus, Tarra became the first resident of the Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee. When other elephants moved in and developed close friendships, only Tarra remained independent— until the day she met a stray mixed-breed dog named Bella. **(599.67 Bu)**

**Cusick, Dawn.** Animal Tongues.

Who knew there were so many different types of animal tongues? Fun facts and experiments accompany more than you ever knew about tongues in the animal world. **(591.44 Cu)**

**Lewis, J Patrick.** Countdown to Summer.

Funny poems, riddles and rhymes take readers through a school year beginning on the first day. **(811.54 Le)**

**Swineburne, Stephen R.** Ocean Soup: Tide-Pool Poems.

This brightly illustrated book offers a collection of poems in the voices of tide-pool animals, including the barnacle, sea urchin, mussel, starfish, hermit crab, anemone, and lobster. Each species is presented through verse and a paragraph of information. **(811.54 Sw)**