

## Summer 2019 Reading Assignment for Third Grade

Over the summer months, each rising third grader is **required to read** the book *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies. You will need to complete both of the following activities using the book. **All activities are due the first day of school.** Please bring the book with you to school as well. **This will be a graded assignment!**

1. As you read, keep a list of interesting words you find in the book. Write complete sentences using ten of the words you listed. Underline the words you used.

2. Story Summary Folder

### What you need

A file folder  
Lined paper  
Unlined paper  
Crayons and/or markers  
Glue

### What you do:

1. After finishing the book, use this activity to “sum up” the book and let others know about your opinion of what you have just read. Begin by decorating the front of the file folder with the title and author of the book, your name, and a colorful picture about the book.

2. Next, write a summary of the book on the lined paper. For the summary think about the main events and characters of the story, and try to give a brief but clear account of these points as well as the overall theme. The summary should be no longer than one side of a page of lined paper. When you are finished, glue it on the inside, left side of the folder.

3. On a half-sheet of unlined paper (cut horizontally), draw, color, and label an important event or fact from the book. Title it “Important Event” or “Important Fact,” followed by a few words that say what this important event is. For example: “Important Event - Tabatha runs away from home.” Glue it on the inside of the folder at the top of the right side.

4. On a half-sheet of lined paper (cut horizontally), write your opinion of the book. This can include what you enjoyed about the book, what you disliked about the book, and

any possible suggestions you might have for the author. Write complete sentences. Title it, "My Review" or "My Opinion" and if you would like, you can even give the book a star rating just like the real book reviewers do, with 5 stars being the best and no stars being the worst. Glue the opinion on the inside of the folder at the bottom right side, under the important event or fact.

5. The final step is to draw, color, and label the main characters of the book on the back of the folder.

6. Upon completion of the story folder, share it with your family members and friends. Have the friend or family member read the folder with you and ask you three questions about the book.

# Summer Math Practice for Rising Third Grade Students

Summer math activities will keep your student sharp and help them retain skills learned this year. Your student has mastered the 5 times tables. Continue to practice these math facts, and feel free to challenge them with larger numbers! Below I have listed websites that may be used as a tool for further enrichment, as well as games to play. Here's to hoping you have a wonderful, math-filled summer!

## Websites:

- [www.coolmath.com](http://www.coolmath.com)
- [www.mathplayground.com/games.html](http://www.mathplayground.com/games.html)
- [www.funbrain.com/math-zone](http://www.funbrain.com/math-zone)
- [www.ck12.org/elementary-math-grade-2](http://www.ck12.org/elementary-math-grade-2) (this is the link for 2nd grade, they could certainly challenge themselves with practice from 3rd grade)

## Card games:

- Phase 10
- Uno
- Skipbo
- Memory
- Go Fish!
- War
- Flashcards

-Feel free to add a spin on to any of these to help build multiplication facts as well. If you are playing a game like Uno, have your student multiply the number on their card by a certain times table.

## Board games and more:

- Yatzee
- Monopoly
- Rummikub
- Qwirkle
- Sudoku
- Dominos

You can also find ways to incorporate math into your daily activities. Rounding prices at a store, looking at tables or graphs in the newspaper, on the news, or in a magazine, measuring distances for a trip, and more!

Have a great summer!  
Gabby Adams

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## **Summer Reading Record**

When it comes to summer, reading may not be the first thing—or even in the top ten things—kids have in mind! But reading can be the ideal summer activity. It’s fun, portable, can involve the whole family, and will help your child academically.

The third-grade book list suggests reading books for pleasure. I hope that you will make it a goal to read all summer long. Please print off the Summer Reading Log and list any books that you enjoyed this summer. I encourage you to read as many books as you can and hope your reading takes you on fun journeys to exciting places. Return your reading log to class on the first day of school. Enjoy!



1. **2030: A Day in the Life of Tomorrow's Kids** by: *Amy Zuckerman and Jim Daly*
2. **Best Friends for Frances** by: *Russell Hoban*
3. **The Facts and Fictions of Minna Pratt** by: *Patricia MacLachlan*
4. **Hedgie's Surprise** by: *Jan Brett*
5. **A Letter to Amy** by: *Ezra Jack Keats*
6. **Stellaluna** by: *Janell Cannon*
7. **That's What Friends Are For** by: *Florence Parry Heide and Sylvia Van Clief*
8. **Fairy Tale Feasts: A Literary Cookbook for Young Readers and Eaters** by: *Jane Yolen and Heidi E. Stemple*
9. **How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World** by: *Marjorie Priceman*
10. **Frindle** by: *Andrew Clements*
11. **I and You and Don't Forget Who: What Is a Pronoun?** by: *Brian P. Cleary*
12. **Summer Reading Is Killing Me** by: *Jon Scieszka*
13. **Dexter the Tough** by: *Margaret Peterson Haddix*
14. **Mapping Penny's World** by: *Loreen Leedy*
15. **La Mariposa** by: *Francisco Jiménez*
16. **Thank You, Mr. Falker** by: *Patricia Polacco*
17. **Half Magic** by: *Edward Eager*
18. **Homer Price** by: *Robert McCloskey*
19. **Peter Pan** by: *J.M. Barrie*
20. **Rabbit Hill** by: *Robert Lawson*

## Entering Third Grade Summer Math

## Excellent websites for fun learning and reinforcement of math skills:

### **www.wildmath.com**

Select “Play the game”. Select addition or subtraction and grade. You can race to beat your time.

### **www.harcourtschool.com**

Click the red box, select math, select HSPMath, select Michigan, click on the “2” ball or “3” ball for a challenge. Select a game.

### **www.aplusmath.com**

Go under “Flashcards” or “Game Room” on the left side of the screen. They can practice adding and subtracting. Very important to know the addition facts and subtraction facts from memorization or within a couple seconds.

### **www.mathisfun.com**

Select Money then select Money Master, click on the US flag, select simple. Or you can select numbers then Math Trainer for adding and subtracting. At the home screen select games and pick a game to play.

### **www.eduplace.com**

Select your state – “Michigan” press submit. Select the student tab then click on the “mathematics” rectangle. Click in the center book “Houghton Mifflin Math 2007”, Click on “Grade 2”. Select any games. Extra Help and Extra Practice is good, also eGames.

### **www.aaamath.com**

At the top pick “Second” or “Third” for a challenge. Choose any of the activities like adding or subtracting then select “play” option toward the top of the screen. 20 Questions and countdown games are a good ones.

## **Sushi monster- app**

**www.funbrain.com**

Lots of fun games to choose from.

Other games and activities you can play:

Take a deck of cards and remove the face cards (kings, queens, jacks). Aces are one. Divide the cards evenly among the players. Keep cards face down in a pile. Each player turns over 3 cards and tries to make their largest number they can with their 3 cards. Everyone must read their number and the one with the largest number collects all the cards. The player with the most cards at the end of the game is the winner. You can play smallest card version to change it up.

Using sidewalk chalk, have them count by 3's or 4's.

Play a game while in the car or waiting in line.

What number comes before 260?

What number comes after 529?

750 is one more than \_\_\_\_? (749) 33

9 is one less than \_\_\_\_? (340)

Practice counting by 5's, 10's, or 2's. When standing in line or driving in a car you give them a number and have them count by 5's or 10's from that number. Ex. Start with 35 and count by 10's. Start with 55 and count by 5's.

Take a deck of cards and remove the face cards (kings, queens, jacks). Aces are one. Divide the cards evenly among 2 players. Each player flips over a card. The first one to add the 2 numbers correctly wins the cards. After going through the pile of cards, the player with the most cards



wins. You can do a subtraction version also. With subtraction you can change one of the cards to add a 10 to it. For example you have the cards 4 and 2. You can add ten to any one of card to make it  $12 - 4$ , or  $14 - 2$ .

Play store and practice counting change. Give allowances in change and have them count it.



Parents and Students,

Summer is upon us and it is a time for relaxing and enjoying the freedom of a less structured day. We hope our students enjoy the warm weather this summer, and we also hope that our students are able to utilize the reading skills they have up this school year.

Summer reading is incredibly important, so that our students don't experience that dreaded "summer slide" – a decline in their reading ability. Studies show that students who are not reading much, or at all, during the summer months experience a decline in their reading abilities. This effect becomes increasingly pronounced as students get older and advance in grade level.

We are encouraging our lower school students to practice their reading for a minimum of 20 minutes per day during the summer months. This can be independent reading, reading aloud with a family member, or reading with other children and/or siblings. Reading independently plays an important role in skill development as well as group reading and group discussion.

Below is a list of local Summer Reading Program links that may be helpful and fun for the students to participate in. I can't wait to see what books the children have chosen to read over the summer and the interests that have been sparked by them!

### **Summer Reading Programs**

- Virginia Beach Public Library (June 10th-August 10th)  
<https://vbpl.beanstack.org>
- Norfolk Public Library  
<https://www.norfolkpubliclibrary.org>
- Chesapeake Summer Reading Program (July 1st- Aug 11th)  
<https://chesapeake.beanstack.org>
- Barnes and Noble Summer Reading Program (May - September)  
<https://www.barnesandnoble.com/h/summer-reading>
- Books-a-Million Summer Reading Program (mid-May - Summer)  
<https://www.booksamillion.com/summeradventure>

Thank you and have a great summer!

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