Third Grade Book Lists

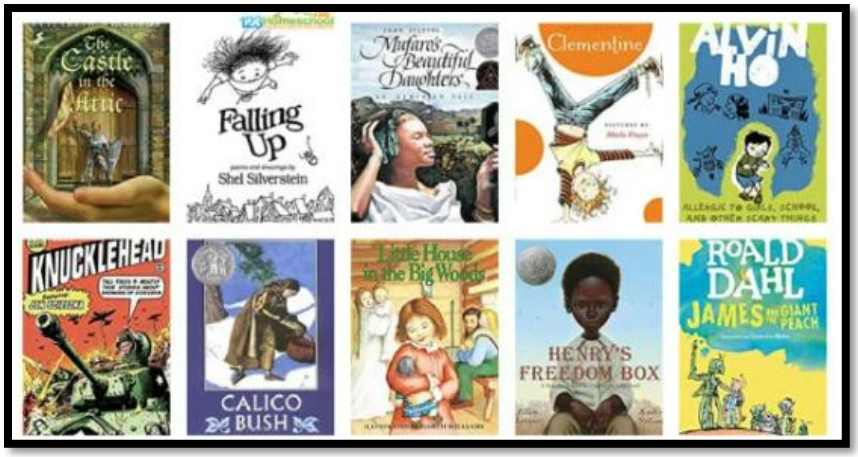
Third graders should be able to read almost all of the words in a book they read to themselves, or independently. If your child is not reading most of the words in a book correctly, it is best for them to listen to someone else read the book, or to choose another book.

A simple way to check for understanding after your child has read is to ask them to retell what happened in the part/chapter they just read. For fictional stories, they should be using character names, be able to tell where and when it is taking place (setting), and what has happened in that part, in sequential order. For informational books, the student should be able to tell you the topic and some fact/details they learned about that topic.

Title	Author
Judy Moody	Megan Donald
Who Was* non-fiction series	various authors
Geronimo Stilton* series	
Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series	Jeff Kinney
My Weird School* series	Dan Gutman
I Survived* series	Lauren Tarshis
Big Nate* series	Lincoln Pierce
Dragon Masters* series	Tracey West
Dragon Girls* series	Maddy Mara
Most Marshmallows	Rowboat Watkins
The Cool Bean* series	Jory John
Who Would Win* non-fiction series	Jerry Pallotta
Dog Diaries* series	James Patterson
Investigators* series	John Patrick
Cheer Choice, Fast-break Friends, Soccer Show Off, etc* *Many more sport titles in the series*	Jake Maddox
Frindle	Andrew Clements
The Chocolate Touch	Margot Apple
Humphrey Series	Betty G. Birney
The Wild Robot	Peter Brown
Ranger in Time* series	Kate Messner

*more titles by this author

Favorite Authors

Judy Bloom	Katherine Applegate	Jerry Spinelli
Beverly Cleary	Louis Sachar	Kate DiCamillo
E.B.White	Roald Dahl	Jeff Kinney

Additional Titles and Series