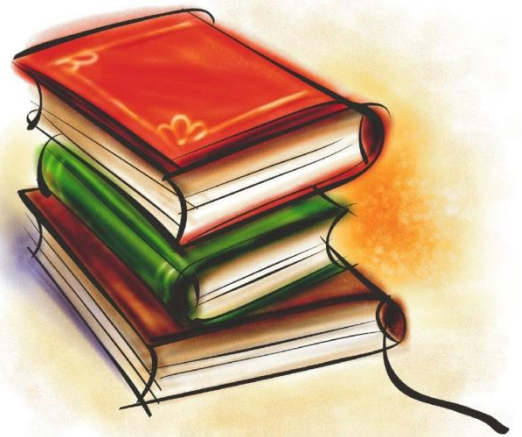
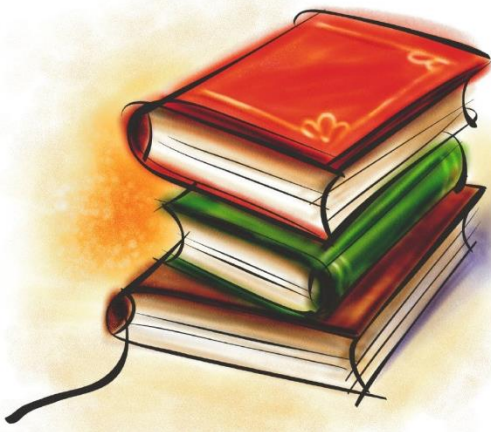




Rochester City School District

Summer Reading  
Assignment & Suggested  
Book List 2014

Grade 3



## *Summer Reading Program 2014*

- 1. Pick up your Summer Reading Bookmark from your classroom teacher*
- 2. Go to your local public library*
- 3. Using the list below, choose a book of interest and appropriate level that you would like to read*
- 4. Read your book*
- 5. Complete the Story Quilt for credit in your next English class*
- 6. Return your book to your local public library*
- 7. While you are there, you should check out another book to read!*
- 8. Submit your assignment to your teacher in September*



### Summer Reading Assignment: Book Story Quilt

**Directions:** Create a story quilt on the quilt template provided. Use crayons, colored pencils, or other materials to create a story quilt square about your book. Follow the directions below to fill in each square on the quilt. Be creative, work neatly, and check your writing for mistakes. Do not include the numbers on your quilt.

**Square #1:** Think of an object or scene that represents the **setting** of the story. Draw or find a picture for square #1 of the quilt. Fill the whole square.

**Square #2:** Write about the **main characters**. What is important to know about them? Use the characters' names, not "he," "she," to start your sentences.

**Square #3:** Draw the main characters, or draw things that represent the main characters. Be sure to identify the characters with their names.

**Square #4:** Decorate this square however you like, but be sure the pattern or picture you choose goes with the story.

**Square #5:** Fill this square with the title, the author's name, and your name. Spell everything clearly and correctly.

**Square #6:** Decorate this square however you like, but be sure the pattern or picture you choose goes with the story.

**Squares #7 and #9:** Draw an important event (something that happened) from the story in each of these squares. Fill the whole square.

**Square #8:** Write about the key events in the story that you chose for squares #7 and #9. Be specific so someone who didn't read the book will have an idea about the story.

#1	#2	#3
#4	#5	#6
#7	#8	#9

**Summer Reading**

**Story Quilt Square**


Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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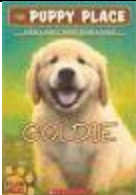






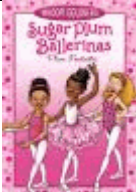
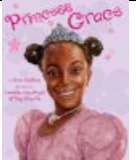
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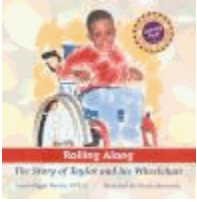


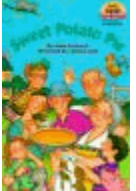

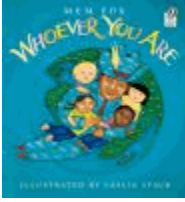

Summer 2014

	<b>Complete</b>	<b>Adequate</b>	<b>Little Effort</b>	<b>No Effort</b>
<b>Artistic Depiction</b>	complete effort used in creating the story quilt  <i>30 points</i>	adequate effort used in creating the story quilt  <i>24 points</i>	little effort used in creating the story quilt  <i>21 points</i>	no effort/missing  <i>0 points</i>
<b>Plot Summary</b>	complete plot summary with all knowledge about events in the story  <i>30 points</i>	adequate plot summary with most knowledge about events in the story  <i>24 points</i>	incomplete plot summary with little knowledge about the events in the story  <i>21 points</i>	incomplete/missing  <i>0 points</i>
<b>Visual Presentation</b>	complete effort  <i>30 points</i>	adequate effort  <i>24 points</i>	little effort  <i>21 points</i>	shows no effort  <i>0 points</i>
<b>Author and Title</b>	both title and Author are present  <i>10 points</i>	both title and Author are present  <i>10 points</i>	author or title missing  <i>7 points</i>	both author and title missing  <i>0 points</i>
<b>Total</b>				

# 3rd Grade Summer Reading Options

	<p><b><u>Barack</u></b> by Jonah Winter An illustrated biography of President Barack Obama that focuses on his family origins and childhood.</p>
	<p><b><u>César : sí, se puede! = Yes, we can!</u></b> by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand T. Tells the life story of César Chávez, whose efforts as a labor leader in the mid-twentieth century brought better working conditions to migrant farmworkers in the U.S.</p>
	<p><b><u>Destiny's Gift</u></b> by Natasha Tarpley Destiny, a budding writer, is upset when she learns Mrs. Wade, the owner of a very special bookstore, may have to go out of business, and she starts a campaign to save the store, in addition to writing a story just for her friend, Mrs. Wade, who shares Destiny's love for words.</p>
	<p><b><u>Dimity Dumpty : the story of Humpty's little sister</u></b> by Bob Graham  Humpty Dumpty's little sister is too shy to be part of her family's circus act, but she finds courage when her brother needs her help.</p>
	<p><b><u>Each kindness</u></b> by Jacqueline Woodson When Ms. Albert teaches a lesson on kindness, Chloe realizes that she and her friends have been wrong in making fun of new student Maya's shabby clothes and refusing to play with her.</p>
	<p><b><u>Ellen's broom</u></b> by Kelly Starling Lyons  Ellen has always known that the broom hanging on her family's cabin wall is a special symbol of her parents' wedding during slave days, so she proudly carries it to the courthouse when the marriage becomes legal.</p>
	<p><b><u>Freedom on the menu : the Greensboro sit-ins</u></b> by Carole Boston Weatherford  The 1960 civil rights sit-ins at the Woolworth's lunch counter in Greensboro, North Carolina, are seen through the eyes of a young Southern black girl.</p>
	<p><b><u>Gettin' through Thursday</u></b> by Melrose Cooper Since money is tight every Thursday, the day before his mother gets her paycheck, Andre is upset when he realizes his report card and the promised celebration for making the honor roll will come on a Thursday.</p>

	<p><b><u>Goldie</u></b> By Ellen Miles  Much against their parents' wishes, Charles and Lizzie Peterson adopt a puppy they name Goldie; but she turns out to be more difficult than they imagined.</p>
	<p><b><u>How to lose your class pet</u></b> by Valerie Wilson Wesley  When third-grader Willimena loses the class pet, her teacher helps her to understand that responsibility means doing one's best, and that animals can't always be controlled.</p>
	<p><b><u>Just because I am : a child's book of affirmation</u></b> by Lauren Murphy Payne  Presents words and messages to strengthen and support a child's self-esteem.</p>
	<p><b><u>Let freedom ring : a ballad of Martin Luther King, Jr.</u></b> by Myra Cohn Livingston  A poetic treatment of Martin Luther King and his dream.</p>
	<p><b><u>Little Sister is not my name!</u></b> by Sharon Draper  Nine-year-old Sassy Simone Sanford, known to her family members as "Little Sister," relies on her fashion sense and friends to help her solve any problems that come her way.</p>
	<p><b><u>My little island</u></b> by Frane Lessac  A young boy goes with his best friend to visit the little Caribbean island where he was born.</p>
	<p><b><u>Peace Week in Miss Fox's class</u></b> by Eileen Spinelli  For "Peace Week," the animals in Miss Fox's class find ways to be peaceful instead of squabbling with each other.</p>
	<p><b><u>Plum fantastic</u></b> by Whoopi Goldberg  Alexandrea is forced to leave her friends in Apple Creek when her mother insists on enrolling her at Harlem's Nutcracker School of Ballet, and while Al is already aware that she lacks dance skills, things get worse when she is chosen to be the Sugar Plum fairy in the school recital.</p>
	<p><b><u>Princess Grace</u></b> by Mary Hoffman  Grace wants to participate in her community festival's princess float, but first she must decide what sort of a princess she wants to be--from an African princess in kente cloth robes to a floaty pink fairy tale princess.</p>

	<p><b><u>The reasons for seasons</u></b> by Gail Gibbons</p> <p>Explains how the position of the earth causes seasons and the wonderful things that each season brings.</p>
	<p><b><u>Rolling along : the story of Taylor and his wheelchair</u></b> by Jamee Riggio Heelan</p> <p>Explains how having cerebral palsy affects Taylor, and how getting a wheelchair makes a big difference in helping him get around, do things by himself, and even play basketball with his twin Tyler.</p>
	<p><b><u>The storyteller's candle / la velita de los cuentos</u></b> by Lucia Gonzalez</p> <p>During the early days of the Great Depression, New York City's first Puerto Rican librarian, Pura Belpré, introduces the public library to immigrants living in El Barrio and hosts the neighborhood's first Three Kings' Day fiesta. Presented in English and Spanish.</p>
	<p><b><u>The Strange case of Origami Yoda</u></b> by Tom Angleberger</p> <p>Sixth-grader Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a paper finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their weird classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future. Includes instructions for making Origami Yoda.</p>
	<p><b><u>Sweet potato pie</u></b> by Anne Rockwell</p> <p>Everybody on the farm stops what they are doing to come and enjoy Grandma's sweet potato pie.</p>
	<p><b><u>Tooth trouble</u></b> by Abby Klein</p> <p>Unhappy to be the only one in his class who still has not lost a tooth, first-grader Freddy tries to find a way to expedite matters but then is faced with another problem.</p>
	<p><b><u>Whoever you are</u></b> by Mem Fox</p> <p>Despite the differences between people around the world, there are similarities that join us together, such as pain, joy, and love.</p>
	<p><b><u>Words set me free : the story of young Frederick Douglass</u></b> by Lesa Cline-Ransome</p> <p>A biography of the early life of Frederick Douglass, one of the first leaders of the antislavery movement, discussing his childhood on as a slave child on a plantation, then at eight he was sold to Hugh and Sophia Auld in Baltimore, and explains that learning to read was the key to his freedom.</p>