Hat Trick:\* (J CHAPTER)

By: Matt Christopher

When his older brother gets his picture in the paper for scoring three goals in a soccer game, Stookie tries to emulate his feat. Stookie learns a tough lesson about being a team player, and both Greg and Stookie discover how important a best friend is.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 4.1 Quiz Points: 1.0

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 600 Quiz Points: 4

Ramona Quimby, Age 8:\* (J FICTION)

By: Beverly Cleary

Beloved Ramona is finally in third grade and has a relaxed new teacher, Mrs. Whaley. Throughout the story Ramona tries her best in school and at home to keep everyone happy and together.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 5.6 Quiz Points: 3.0

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 860 Quiz Points: 6

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory:

By: Roald Dahl (J FICTION)

Charlie is one of the five luckiest children in the world to be able to tour the famous Willy Wonka Chocolate Factory. See what happens when they take a step inside.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 4.8 Quiz Points: 5.0

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 810 Quiz Points: 8

Best Friends for Frances:\* (JE)

By: Russell Hoban

One day Frances is excluded from a boys only baseball game by her best friend. She then learns that she can be friends with her little sister.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.4 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 640 Quiz Points: 2

Owney, the Mail-Pouch Pooch:

By: Mona Kerby

(J CHAPTER)

In 1888, Owney, a stray puppy, finds a home in the Albany, New York, post office and becomes its official mascot. Over the course of nine years, Owney guards the mail, not only in Albany but on mail trains that travel all over the United States. Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 4.8 Quiz Points: 0.5 Scholastic Reading Counts: Lexile Level: 730 Quiz Points: 3

Horrible Harry and the Locked Closet:\*

By: Suzy Kline

(J CHAPTER)

Harry and his detective classmates try to find clues relating to a mysterious locked closet in Room 3B.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.4 Quiz Points: 1.0 Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 610 Quiz Points: 3

Black and White: (JE)

By: David Macaulay

In this award-winning book, four stories are told simultaneously from different perspectives and it is up to you to decide whether the stories are truly four different stories or just one.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.4 Quiz Points: 0.5 Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 610 Quiz Points: 2

Judy Moody, Girl Detective:\* (J FICTION)

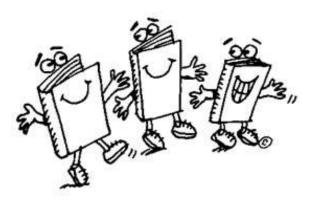
By: Megan MacDonald

When a puppy that is being trained as a police dog goes missing, third-grader Judy forms a detective agency to solve the mystery, imitating her literary heroine, Nancy Drew..

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.5 Quiz Points: 2.0 Scholastic Reading Counts: Lexile Level 570 Quiz Points: 5 Accelerated Reader & Scholastic Reading Counts

# Books for Third Graders



**Please note:** Not all of these books may be on your child's school's Reading Counts or Accelerated Reader Program.

Painting the Wind:

(JE)

By: Patricia MacLachlan

The story of a boy and his dog who spend time together waiting for summer, and to hear from various artists who have been to their island.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.4 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 490 Quiz Points: 3

#### Yang the Youngest and His Terrible Ear:

By: Lensey Namioka

(J FICTION)

Yingtao is a nine-year-old who has just moved to America. He also feels like an outcast in his family because he is not a good musician. However, he makes new friends and discovers his calling... baseball.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 4.6 Quiz Points: 3.0

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 700 Quiz Points: 5

#### How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World:

By: Marjorie Priceman

JE)

In addition to a great recipe for Apple Pie, this story gives a girl's journey to find all the ingredients needed. Because the market is closed, this journey takes her all over the world.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.1 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 590 Quiz Points: 1

### Sideways Stories from Wayside School:\*

By: Louis Sachar

(J FICTION)

With 30 stories representing the 30 one-roomed floors of the wacky wayside school, find out what happens with all the students as they venture off to school.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.3 Quiz Points: 3.0

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 460 Quiz Points: 4

Grandfather's Journey:

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Winning a **Caldecott** medal, this touching story recounts a man's journey from Japan to California and he and his grandson's love for both countries.

Accelerated Reader:

By: Allen Say

Book Level: 3.6 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 650 Quiz Points: 3

#### Knights of the Kitchen Table:\*

By: Jon Scieszko

(J CHAPTER)

(JE)

Joe has received a book from his magician uncle called *Joe's Book* which transports him and his friends Sam and Fred into the middle of stories where they meet King Arthur and cause a fair amount of trouble along the way.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.8 Quiz Points: 1.0

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 630 Quiz Points: 3

# Sylvester and the Magic Pebble: (JE)

By: William Steig

In a moment of fright, Sylvester the donkey asks his magic pebble to turn him into a rock but then cannot hold the pebble to wish himself back to normal again.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 4.0 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 700 Quiz Points: 2

# Two Bad Ants: (JE)

By: Chris Van Allsburg

Two ants decide to leave the safety of their colony to enter a kitchen, leading them on a dangerous journey. See how human items are viewed from the perspective of an ant.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 4.7 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 780 Quiz Points: 2

Zathura: A Space Adventure: (J FICTION)

By: Chris Van Allsburg

In the final page of the story Jumanji, brothers Walter and Danny are seen running away with the game; now as they roll the dice it can only be guessed what adventures are in store for them. Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.8 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 540 Quiz Points: 2

### Sammy Keyes and the Art of Deception:\*

By: Wendelin Van Draanen (**J FICTION**)

Sammy Keyes has a school project to look at and write about art, which brings her grandmother and their friend Hudson to an art museum that is robbed while they are there. It is now up to Sammy and her grandmother to find why the thieves wanted those paintings.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 4.3 Quiz Points: 9.0

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 660 Quiz Points: 15

# Sarah Morton's Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Girl:\* (J 974.402)

By: Kate Waters

Follow Sarah Morton as part of a living museum as she plays games, does chores, and spends time with her family.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.4 Quiz Points: 0.5

Scholastic Reading Counts:

Lexile Level: 700 Quiz Points: 2

# The Earth Dragon Awakes: The San Francisco Earthquake of 1906: (J FICTION)

By: Laurence Yep

From the perspectives of two young friends, Yep recalls the chaos of the 1906 earthquake.

Accelerated Reader:

Book Level: 3.7 Quiz Points: 2.0

Scholastic Reading Counts: Lexile Level: 510 Quiz Points: 6