



Year 3
Suggested
Reading List.

Suggested Reading list for Year 3 pupils KS2 Age 7-8

The following book list contains titles to appeal to children aged 7-8 in Year 3 of primary school.

The World According to Humphrey by Betty G. Birney

The hilarious adventures of Humphrey the Hamster, told by Humphrey and including Og the Frog and the bully Mean Martin Bean.

Kid Normal by Greg James

Murph Cooper is joining a new school. But it is several weeks into the new term and everyone else has settled in. Suddenly he isn't feeling quite so confident. As if that's not enough – there's a strange half insect super villain to deal with.

Harry the poisonous centipede by Lynne Reid Banks

Harry is a centipede who likes to eat things which wriggle and crackle. At the start of the story he's shy, but increasingly he becomes more brave. Will his bravery get the better of him and lead him into danger?

Dilly the Dinosaur by Tony Bradman

The stories of the world's naughtiest dinosaur, who, amongst other things, refuses to wash; screams the loudest scream; and paints the house in an unusual way.

The Invisible Boy by Trudy Ludwig

A clever picture book which, although it will appeal to reluctant readers, is thought provoking and deals with complex themes of bullying and loneliness.

Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown

When a pinboard falls on top of Stanley he is left completely flattened. Sent to America in an envelope will he be able to unflatten himself?

The Secret World of Polly Flint by Helen Cresswell

The imaginative story of Polly Flint who can see things other children cannot, including a village and its inhabitants which disappeared long ago.

Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl

The timeless story of Mr Fox and how he cunningly outwits the nasty farmers Boggis, Bunce and Bean.

Wilf the Mighty Worrier Saves the World by Georgia Pritchett

Wilf worries about everything – plush toys, peanut butter, the man next door – but then he has to contend with Alan, the Evil Lunatic. Can Wilf save the day?

The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl

When Lucy gets upset she uses her “Magic Finger” and points it at the person who has upset her. Real magic turns her teacher into a cat and Lucy swears never to use her finger again. Until...

Dog in the Dungeon by Lucy Daniels

Skelton Castle has a deerhound to protect it. But Aminta, the last deerhound, died recently. But when Mandy and James explore a creepy castle, they find a deerhound, one that looks just like Aminta..

Willa and Old Miss Annie by Berlie Doherty

When she moves with her parents to a new home, Willa thinks she'll never have friends again. That is until she meets Old Miss Annie, a lonely goat, a forgotten pony, and an orphaned fox.

My Naughty Little Sister by Dorothy Edwards

A story about possibly the naughtiest little sister in the world. She digs up the garden, eats all the trifle, doesn't like Father Christmas and causes chaos all around her.

The Diary of a Killer Cat by Anne Fine

Ellie is shocked to find out her pet cat is a killer. Tuffy brings home a dead bird, then a mouse, and then more victims. Can Ellie stop him? A very funny story.

Picasso Perkins by Adele Geras

Perkins is a wise old tabby cat who is annoyed when his 8-year-old owner creates a picture of him for a “Paint Your Pet” competition. Perkins thinks he can do better.

The Reluctant Dragon by Kenneth Grahame

A boy finds a dragon in a cave and he believes it is harmless and friendly, but how can he convince the frightened villagers and, St. George, the famous dragon killer?

The Charlie Moon Collection by Shirley Hughes

Charlie manages to get himself into all sorts of trouble. His seaside summer holiday turns into a missing jewellery mystery with burglars.

Lullabyhullaba by Mick Inkpen

A Little Princess, cannot get to sleep because of a roaring dragon, a clanking knight, and a stomping giant outside her window, until she hears a special lullaby.

All Because of Jackson by Dick King-Smith

Jackson is an odd rabbit. He spends most days watching ships sail by and he longs to be on one of those ships. One day he boards one of the ships and sets out on an adventure.

The Orchard Book of First Greek Myths by Saviour Pirotta

A perfect introduction to Greek Myths. This book includes Theseus and the Minotaur, Odysseus, Pandora, King Midas and more.

Winnie-the-Pooh Collection by A. A. Milne

Classic stories about the world's most famous bear. Including what happens when Pooh goes visiting and Piglet meets a Heffalump, the story of when Eeyore loses his tail and Pooh finds one, and many others.

Mrs Cockle's Cat by Philippa Pearce

Mrs Cockle, a balloon seller, loves her cat Peter, and he loves fish. When she runs out of fish, Peter leaves and Mrs Cockle is so upset that she gets thinner and lighter and loses so much weight that her balloons lift her high into the sky.

Mrs Pepperpot Stories by Alf Proysen

Mrs Pepperpot has a secret – she can shrink to the size of a pepperpot – and when she does she can talk to animals.

Unusual Day by Sandi Toksvig

Jessica brings her granny to school because she can spin plates. Told to come back next week, Jessica's granny leaves—only to surprise everyone by returning later as a firefighter.

The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson

A young owl, called Plop, is afraid of the dark – something which makes his life more than a little difficult.

Pippi Longstocking Gift Edition by Astrid Lindgren

Fearless Pippi Longstocking is scared of nothing. She'll wrestle a circus strongman, dance a polka with burglars, and tug a bull's tail!

The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss

Possibly the coolest cat in existence, he can turn the most boring day into a fun adventure for Sally and her brother.

Who's in the Loo? by Jeanne Willis

There's a queue for the loo – who is taking so long? Is it a hamster? Is it the wombat? Or is it the rhino? A very funny easy reader.

The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka

If you thought you knew the story of the Three Little Pigs, think again! This is the real story, told by the Wolf himself.

It Was a Dark and Stormy Night by Janet Ahlberg

A young boy has been kidnapped by thieves. He stays alive by telling them incredible stories while planning his escape from a cave. Great for reading with your child.

The Railway Cat by Phyllis Arkle

Alfie the railway cat faces danger and suspense as he tries to escape from his kidnappers in a series of incredible adventures.

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein

A clever and emotive story about a boy who takes too much from a tree which gives too much. Very useful for discussing the concepts of giving and sharing.

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

A tale of love and belonging. Max – eight – decides to dress up as a wolf and enters a world of wild things in which he becomes the ruler.