

Third Grade Reading List 2020

Akron-Summit County Public Library

Fiction:

The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate 2012. JFIC APPLGATE One Lexile 570; AR BL 3.6

When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant that has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.

Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants by Andrea Beaty 2019. JFIC BEATY Ada Lexile 560; AR BL 4

When Rosie Revere's Uncle Ned gets a little carried away wearing his famous helium pants, it's up to Ada and friends to chase him down! Fun Series.

Dr. Snow Has Got to Go! by Dan Gutman 2019. JFIC GUTMAN Dr. Lexile 590; AR BL 4

Ella Mentary School is having a science fair! Guest scientist Dr. Snow has arrived to help A.J. and his friends conduct their own cool experiments. But what is "the snowman" really planning? Fun Series.

Captain Awesome and the Trapdoor by Stan Kirby 2019. JFIC KIRBY Captain Lexile 710

Eugene is getting old. Well, he's only eight, but that's way too old to play with the toys he had when he was seven, right? But when Eugene discovers Bunky Buddy, an action figure he used to love, he decides to go looking for the rest of these toys. The problem is...he can't find them. Someone's been stealing all his old toys!

Sarah, Plain and Tall, by MacLachlan, Patricia 1985. JFIC Lexile 660 AR BL 3.4

When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.

Mia Mayhem is a Superhero by Kara West 2018. JFIC WEST Mia Lexile 550; AR BL 3.7

Eight-year-old Mia Macaroney is delighted to learn she is from a family of superheroes, but her acceptance into the Program for In-Training Superheroes requires she take a placement exam.

Nonfiction:

The Fruits We Eat by Gail Gibbons 2015, JNF 634 G441f Lexile 610

Gail Gibbons combines a clear, simple text with her signature paneled illustrations to present fruit facts galore: the parts of fruits, where and how they grow, harvesting, processing, where to buy them, and how to enjoy them as part of a healthy diet. Look for others by same author!

Beware of the Crocodile by Martin Jenkins 2019. JNF 597.982 J52b Lexile 790

There's a lot to learn about crocodiles in this captivating look at one of the world's deadliest and toothiest animals. Beware!

Wet Cement: A Mix of Concrete Poems by Bob Raczka 2016. JNF 811.6 R123w Lexile 760

Who says words need to be concrete?

This collection shapes poems in surprising and delightful ways.

Between the Lines: How Ernie Barnes Went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery by Sandra Neil Wallace. 2018.

JBIO BARNES, E W194b Lexile 660

Discover the true story of NFL star Ernie Barnes a boy who followed his dreams and became one of the most influential artists of his generation with this beautifully illustrated nonfiction picture book.

Graphic Novels:

El Deafo by Cece Bell 2014. JGN EL DEAFO Lexile 420

In this funny, poignant graphic novel memoir, author/illustrator Cece Bell chronicles her hearing loss at a young age and her subsequent experiences with the Phonic Ear, a very powerful--and very awkward--hearing aid.

I Survived: The Sinking of the Titanic, 1912 by Lauren Tarshis 2020. JGN I SURVIVED Lexile 390

Ten-year-old George Calder can't wait to explore every inch of the Titanic, even if his little sister, Phoebe, has to tag along. But when George sneaks away without her and ventures into the first class baggage room, a terrible boom shakes the entire boat. Suddenly, water is everywhere, and George's life changes forever.

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