

Grade 3

During the 2020–2021 school year, 743,718 third graders read about 39 print books and 140,557 words each. Over 400,000 third graders spent time reading digitally.

New and Now Reads

Newly discovered titles offer fresh reading options for students searching for that next great read. Students read and quizzed on these books for the first time in Fall 2021.

- **The Couch Potato**
Jory John (2.8, LG, 550L)
- **Pig the Slob**
Aaron Blabey (2.7, LG, 640L)
- **I Survived: The Nazi Invasion, 1944 (Graphic Novel)**
Lauren Tarshis (3.3, MG, 520L)
- **The World Needs More Purple People**
Kristen Bell (3.0, LG, 520L)
- **All the Way to the Top: How One Girl's Fight for Americans with Disabilities Changed Everything** **NF**
Annette Pimentel (3.9, LG, 680L)

Top Print Titles

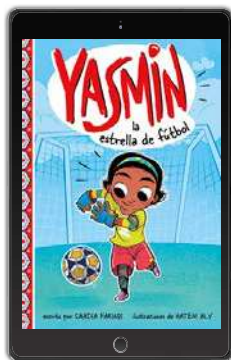
- 1 **Charlotte's Web** **SP**
E.B. White (4.4, MG, 680L)
- 2 **Dog Man Series** **SP**
Dav Pilkey (2.3–2.7, LG, 280L–390L)
- 3 **Because of Winn–Dixie** **SP**
Kate DiCamillo (3.9, MG, 670L)
- 4 **I Need My Monster Series**
Amanda Noll (2.6–3.2, LG, 530L–600L)
- 5 **Harry the Dirty Dog** **SP**
Gene Zion (3.1, LG, 520L)
- 6 **A Bad Case of Stripes** **SP**
David Shannon (3.8, LG, 610L)
- 7 **The One and Only Ivan** **SP**
Katherine Applegate (3.6, MG, 570L)
- 8 **The Bad Seed**
Jory John (2.0, LG, 390L)
- 9 **The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs** **SP**
Jon Scieszka (3.0, LG, 510L)
- 10 **Scaredy Squirrel Series** **SP**
Mélanie Watt (3.0–3.6, LG, 580L–680L)

Popular Digital Books

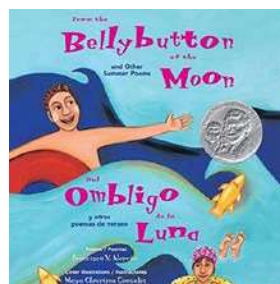
- 1 **Zeke Meeks vs. the No-Fun Fund-Raiser**
D.L. Green (3.3, LG, 520L)
- 2 **Sugar Hero**
Michael Dahl (2.0, LG, 520L)
- 3 **Night of the Homework Zombies**
Scott Nickel (2.3, LG, 350L)
- 4 **Cool Crosby**
Shelley Swanson Saterén (3.4, LG, 600L)
- 5 **Fangs!**
Alan MacDonald (3.1, LG, 420L)
- 6 **Really, Rapunzel Needed a Haircut!: The Story of Rapunzel as Told by Dame Gothel** **NF**
Jessica Gunderson (2.8, LG, 480L)
- 7 **The Boy Who Was It: And Other Scary Tales**
Michael Dahl (3.7, LG, 510L)
- 8 **Ariel's Dolphin Adventure**
Disney Book Group
- 9 **The Story of Iron Man**
Catherine Hapka (2.0, LG, 400L)
- 10 **My Father's Dragon**
Ruth Stiles Gannett (5.6, LG, 990L)

Authentic Spanish Titles

Authentic Spanish texts written for native speakers help students make real-life connections, develop deeper vocabulary and linguistic understanding, and grow cultural appreciation.



Yasmin la estrella de fútbol **SP**
Saadia Faruqi
(2.9, LG, 370L)



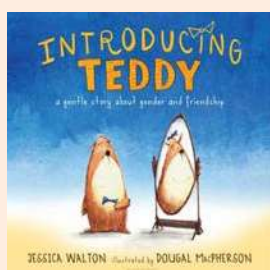
Del ombligo de la Luna y otros poemas de verano **SP**
Francisco X. Alarcón
(3.5, LG)



Pasando páginas: La historia de mi vida **NF SP**
Sonia Sotomayor
(6.0, LG, 940L)

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Themes

Each of us is a unique blend of characteristics and traits that matter implicitly. Consider these titles to begin conversations about our diverse makeup and how inclusion allows us all to thrive.



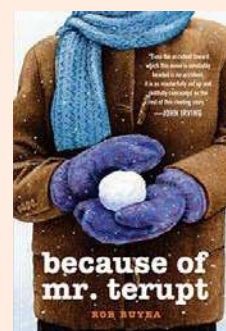
Introducing Teddy: A Gentle Story About Gender and Friendship
Jessica Walton (2.1, LG)



Mariah Finds a Way
Teens of Reach Incorporated (600L)



Sulwe
Lupita Nyong'o
(3.4, LG, 580L)



Because of Mr. Terupt
Bob Buyea (3.7, MG, 560L)

Social and Emotional Learning Topics

Safe and healthy communities exist when people accept themselves as well as understand and care for those around them. The following titles cover topics that may support social and emotional learning.



Reading at Home

With only so much time in the school day, these effective, research-driven tips help support reading at home and on the go.