

Satchel Paige: Don't Look Back

by David Adler

Series of Unfortunate Events

by Lemony Snicket

Sideways Stories from Wayside School

by Louis Sachar

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble

by William Steig

Talking Eggs by Robert San Souci

There's a Wolf at the Door by Zoe B. Alley

Time Warp Trio series by Jon Scieszka

Tricking the Tallyman by Jacqueline Davis

True Story of the 3 Little Pigs

by Jon Scieszka

Two Bobbies by Kirby Larson

Verdi by Janell Cannon

Watsons Go To Birmingham-1963

by Christopher Paul Curtis

When Sergeant Came Marching Home by

Don Lemna

Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein

Wilma Unlimited by Kathleen Krull

Wolves Are Back by Jean Craighead George

Grades 3-5 Student Web Sites

BookPop

<http://www.bookpop.com/>

Read-along stories written by Stephen Cosgrove

Fun Kidz Links

<http://superkidz.com/kidzlinks.html>

Links to web sites about popular authors and books

Sidekicks

<http://www.noflyingnotights.com/sidekicks/>

A website reviewing graphic novels for kids

Weekly Reader for Kids

<http://www.weeklyreader.com/kids/index.asp>

Fun news articles, games and contests

Word Central

<http://www.wordcentral.com/>

Word power fun includes Robo-Bee, BIGbot, and Build Your Own Dictionary

Yak's Corner

[http://www.freep.com/apps/pbcs.dll/section?](http://www.freep.com/apps/pbcs.dll/section?Category=YAK)

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News for kids

**Grades 3-5
Parent Resource Websites**

U. S. Department of Education

www.ed.gov/parents

Resources and guide are provided to help promote children's reading success.

PBS Parents

<http://pbs.org/parents>

Education: Reading and Language - Learn how children become readers and writers and how YOU can help them.

National Center for Family Literacy

<http://www.familit.org>

Family Literacy & You: Tips for Parents.

Reading is Fundamental

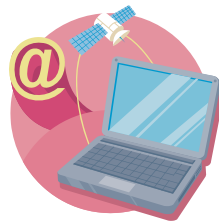
<http://www.rif.org/parents>

Booklists, tips, and more! Plenty of ways to get you and your children back into the school groove.

Reading Rockets: Launching Young Readers

<http://www.readingrockets.org>

Strategies to help kids who struggle! Learn how to smooth the way for kids with learning difficulties.



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**Go Green with
Grades 3-5
Summer Reading**



The Louisiana Department of Education encourages all students to read every day during the summer. Reading is the biggest factor in your child's overall academic success. Children who read more do better in school. Our goal is for every student to become a capable reader and to develop a love for reading. Parents can help their children reach that goal by reading to them and with them daily. If your children are already reading, encourage them to read at least 30 minutes daily. Involve them in reading activities at the public library. Help your child see that books are passports to the world.

Tips for Grades 3-5 Parents

Have books, magazines, comics and newspapers available for your child to read.

Encourage your child to read for a specified period of time every day.

Ask your child to tell you in his/her own words what happened in a story.

Encourage your child to role play favorite stories or write in a journal about characters in the stories

Allow your child to choose books that interest him/her.

Let your child see you read every day.

Limit the amount of time your child spends watching television and playing video games.

Create a quiet place, free from distractions, where your child may read.

Encourage older children to read to younger brothers and sisters.

Grades 3-5 Booklist

Alligator Sue by Sharon Arms Doucet
Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon by Paula Danziger
Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish
Apple-Pip Princess by Jane Ray
Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshal by Vaunda Nelson
Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
Blacker the Berry: Poems by Joyce Carol Thomas
Boy Who Invented TV: The Story of Philo Farnsworth by Kathleen Krull
Boxcar Children mystery series by Gertrude Warner
Boys of Steel by Mark Nobleman
Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
Bunnicula series by James Howe
Casey Back at Bat by Dan Gutman
Challenge at Second Base by Matt Christopher
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl
Charlotte's Web by E. B. White
Clovis Crawfish stories by Mary Alice Fontenot
Comets, Stars, the Moon and Mars: Space Dragon in the Sock Drawer by Kate Klimo
Dream Stealer by Sid Fleischman
Dodger and Me by Jordan Sonnenblick
Dolley Madison Saves George Washington by Don Brown
Eleven by Patricia Giff
Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine
Emmy and the Incredible Shrinking Rat by Lynne Jonell
Encyclopedia Brown mystery series by Donald Sobol
Extra Credit by Andrew Clements
Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary School by Candace Fleming
Feliciana Meets d'Loup Garou: A Cajun Tall Tale by Tynia Thomassie
Frindle by Andrew Clements
Gator Gumbo: A Spicy Hot Tale by Candace Fleming
Hairy Hezekiah by Dick King-Smith
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J. K. Rowling
Henry's Freedom Box by Ellen Levine
How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell
How to Steal a Dog by Barbara O'Connor

Indian In the Cupboard and other titles by Lynne Reid Banks
Jenny Giraffe and the Streetcar Party by Cecilia Casrill Darte
Jim Limber Davis: A Black Orphan in the Confederate White House by Rickey Pittman
Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg
Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World by Mildred Pitts Walter
Key to Rondo by Emily Rodda
Lawn Boy by Gary Paulsen
Lemonade Club by Patricia Polacco
Little House on the Prairie series by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Magic School Bus series by Joanna Cole
Magic Tree House Mysteries by Mary Pope Osborne
Marley: A Dog Like No Other by John Grogan
Martina the Beautiful Cockroach: A Cuban Folktale by Carmen Agra Deedy
Molly the Pony: A True Story by Pam Kaster
Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary
Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Stuart Little by Peggy Gifford
My Dog, My Hero by Betsy Byars, Betsy Duffey and Laurie Myers
My Louisiana Sky by Kimberly Willis Holt
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
New Kid on the Block by Jack Prelutsky
Nic Bishop Frogs by Nic Bishop
Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann
Oh, Brother by Nikki Grimes
Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude by Kevin O'Malley
One Hen: How One Small Loan Made a Difference by Katie Smith Milway
Paul Bunyan and other titles by Steven Kellogg
Petite Rouge: A Cajun Red Riding Hood by Mike Artell
Pink and Say by Patricia Polacco
Poems and Paintings by Douglas Florian
Ramona and other titles by Beverly Cleary