

Dear Incoming third grade students,

In order to keep your skills sharp over the summer months, you will be required to read two novels: one required by all students in 3rd grade and one of your choice within your Accelerated Reading Level.

Novel 1: Required: Kate DiCamillo's "Mercy Watson to the Rescue"

You will be required to complete the attached assignment and hand it in the week of August 15. You do not have to take an A/R test for the required novel.

Novel 2:

Your choice of a novel below:

The second novel is your choice from the list below, as long as it is within your A/R level. You are required to take the Accelerated Reader test on this book. The grade will count as a test grade for the first quarter AND the points earned will count toward your first quarter A/R point requirement. You can come in over the summer on Tuesdays, between, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm. to take the A/R test. A/R will only be available from June 7 to July 26 and an appointment must be made. Appointments can be made by sending an email to Kelly Madison at officemanager@adventschoolboca.org. Over the summer, the office personnel CANNOT override the A/R test for a book not on your level. Remember, if you have already taken the A/R test for a particular book, you can't take it again. Be sure to choose a different novel.

The Littles by John Peterson (A.R Level 3.3)

The Absent Author by Ron Roy (A.R level 3.4)

Being Teddy Roosevelt by Claudia Mills (A.R Level 4.1)

The Littles and The Summer Storm by Teddy Slater (A.R level 2.6)

Horrible Harry series by Suzy Kline (A.R Level 2.8-3.9)

I Survived series by Lauren Tarshis (A.R Level 3.8-5.0)

Frog and Toad series by Arnold Lobel (A.R Level 2.5-4.8)

Ivy and Bean series by Annie Barrows (A.R Level 3.1-3.6)

Cam Jansen series by David Adler (A.R Level 3.3-3.9)

Weird School series by Dan Gutman (A.R Level 2.4-4.7)

3rd Grade Required Reading Activity

“Mercy Watson to the Rescue”

By: Kate DiCamillo

1. Before you read the book, examine the pages. What do the illustrations make you **“wonder”** about the book? What do you **“notice”** about the illustrations in the book? Fill out the attached chart with at least 3 things you notice and 3 things you wonder.

Ex: I wonder if..... I notice that....

2. Complete the Narrative Text Elements graphic organizer. Students should give as much detail as possible for each section. I.e: setting, character, events.

***THIS ASSIGNMENT SHOULD BE ENTIRELY
HANDWRITTEN AND LEGIBLE.***



Notice

Wonder

Name: _____

Date: _____

Story Stones: Narrative Text Elements

- Literary Elements ELA.2.RL.1.1: Identify plot structure and describe main story elements in a literary text
 - Clarification 1: Main story elements for the purpose of this benchmark are the setting, character and sequence of events of a story.

Book:

Setting



Characters



Event
Beginning

Event
Middle

Event
Middle

Event
Ending
