

**GRADE 3 SUMMER READING LIST  
SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009**

***DUE FIRST DAY of SCHOOL***

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Reading is a journey into the world of knowledge. Let your imagination guide you through the summer reading. Please record the books you read. You're required to read at least three books by different authors.*

**Social Studies: Read one of the following books:**

- **Revolutionary War on Wednesday, by Mary Pope Osborne**
- **Grace's Letter to Lincoln, by Peter and Connie Roop**
- **Look Out, Washington, D.C.!, by Patricia Reilly Giff**
- **Let's Play Soldier, George Washington, by Peter and Connie Roop**

**Science: Read one of the following books:**

- **A book about the desert (Third Grade Level)**
- **Deserts, by Gail Gibbons**

**Reading: Read one of the following:**

- **Any book on the "Grade Three Reading List" from the public library (The books are listed on a green card.)**

**Parent's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

## THE LEXILE FRAMEWORK FOR READING: (Information to assist with summer reading choices)

### What is the Lexile Framework?

- The Lexile Framework for reading is an assessment tool used from the results of the Stanford Achievement test used by SMS. Lexiles measure both the reading level of a particular book, and the reading ability of a particular student, in order to better predict how a book matches a student's reading ability and comprehension.
- The Lexile scale ranges from 200L for beginning readers to 1700L for advanced readers. These ranges to NOT translate exactly to a specific grade level.
- The GOAL is to identify books that are not too difficult to be frustrating, but difficult enough to encourage reading progress.

### How do I know my child's Lexile score?

- Students in grades three through eight will have their Lexile score listed on the Stanford Achievement Test Student Report in the left hand section of the report.
- Students should be reading books in their Lexile range to improve their reading comprehension.

### How can I find a book's Lexile score?

- The website [www.lexile.com](http://www.lexile.com) is a resource for parents and students to help identify a book's Lexile.
- The Harford County Public Library has a database called *NoveList K-8: Your Guide to Fiction*. It allows users to limit book searches by Lexile range.

( Information obtained from Lexile.com, the Stanford Achievement Test Series, and the Harford County Public Library)