## **THIRD GRADE:**

Includes data from 449,857 students in third grade who read a total of 18,085,211 books.

	Overall	Boys	Girls
		Title, Author (Book Level)*	
1	Charlotte's Web, E.B. White (4.4)	Charlotte's Web, E.B. White (4.4)	Charlotte's Web, E.B. White (4.4)
2	Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs, Judi Barrett (4.3)	Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs, Judi Barrett (4.3)	Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs, Judi Barrett (4.3)
3	<b>Officer Buckle and Gloria</b> , Peggy Rathmann (3.4)	Dogzilla, Dav Pilkey (4.2)	<b>Officer Buckle and Gloria</b> , Peggy Rathmann (3.4)
4	The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs, Jon Scieszka (3.0)	<b>Where the Wild Things Are</b> , Maurice Sendak (3.4)	Miss Nelson Is Missing!, Harry Allard (2.7)
5	Dogzilla, Dav Pilkey (4.2)	<b>The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs</b> , Jon Scieszka (3.0)	<b>If You Give a Mouse a Cookie</b> , Laura Numeroff (2.7)
6	Where the Wild Things Are, Maurice Sendak (3.4)	<b>Officer Buckle and Gloria</b> , Peggy Rathmann (3.4)	The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs, Jon Scieszka (3.0)
7	Miss Nelson Is Missing!, Harry Allard (2.7)	<b>If You Give a Mouse a Cookie</b> , Laura Numeroff (2.7)	Dogzilla, Dav Pilkey (4.2)
8	Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China, Ed Young (3.5)	<b>Dinosaurs Before Dark</b> , Mary Pope Osborne (2.6)	Junie B. Jones and Her Big Fat Mouth, Barbara Park (3.0)
9	<b>If You Give a Mouse a Cookie</b> , Laura Numeroff (2.7)	<b>The Librarian from the Black Lagoon</b> , Mike Thaler (3.2)	Where the Wild Things Are, Maurice Sendak (3.4)
10	<b>The Polar Express</b> , Chris Van Allsburg (3.8)	Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday, Judith Viorst (3.4)	<b>The Polar Express</b> , Chris Van Allsburg (3.8)
11	Green Eggs and Ham, Dr. Seuss (1.5)	The Polar Express, Chris Van Allsburg (3.8)	Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday, Judith Viorst (3.4)
12	Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday, Judith Viorst (3.4)	Green Eggs and Ham, Dr. Seuss (1.5)	<b>Junie B. Jones Is Not a Crook</b> , Barbara Park (3.0)
13	Stone Fox, John Reynolds Gardiner (4.0)	The Gym Teacher from the Black Lagoon, Mike Thaler (2.2)	<b>Because of Winn-Dixie</b> , Kate DiCamillo (3.9)
14	The Librarian from the Black Lagoon, Mike Thaler (3.2)	Miss Nelson Is Missing!, Harry Allard (2.7)	Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China, Ed Young (3.5)
15	Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, Judith Viorst (3.7)	Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China, Ed Young (3.5)	Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, Judith Viorst (3.7)
16	<b>Because of Winn-Dixie</b> , Kate DiCamillo (3.9)	Stone Fox, John Reynolds Gardiner (4.0)	Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business, Barbara Park (2.9)
17	<b>Dinosaurs Before Dark</b> , Mary Pope Osborne (2.6)	The Adventures of Captain Underpants, Dav Pilkey (4.3)	The Giving Tree, Shel Silverstein (2.6)
18	The Keeping Quilt, Patricia Polacco (4.4)	Captain Underpants and the Attack of the Talking Toilets, Dav Pilkey (4.7)	Green Eggs and Ham, Dr. Seuss (1.5)
19	<b>Dolphins at Daybreak</b> , Mary Pope Osborne (3.1)	The Teacher from the Black Lagoon, Mike Thaler (2.4)	The Keeping Quilt, Patricia Polacco (4.4)
20	Freckle Juice, Judy Blume (3.1)	The Keeping Quilt, Patricia Polacco (4.4)	Amelia Bedelia, Peggy Parish (2.5)

<sup>\*</sup>The average book readability level of the top 20 books read by third-grade students was 4.0 overall, 4.1 for boys, and 4.0 for girls.