

Grade 3 Reading Unit 1- Launch

Welcome to Grade 3 Reading! We will begin the year with our launch unit. In this unit we will kick off reading by revisiting strategies, and honing comprehension skills through goal setting and conversations with partners. Your child will also learn the expectations and routines for Reading in grade 3 as he or she works toward becoming an engaged and independent reader.

The skills your child will develop in this unit are:

- Identifying and choosing just right books (JRB)
- Rereading to strengthen comprehension
- Talking about reading with partners to build and change ideas
- Using strategies to solve and learn the meaning of new words
- Setting goals to become a stronger reader

Questions to ask as your child is reading at home:

- What are your reading goals?
- How do you know if your book is just right for you?
- How can you be a good reading partner? What might you talk about with your partner tomorrow?
- What books are you planning on reading?
- What strategies do you use when you come to a confusing part in your text?

Books your child may enjoy during this unit:

- Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon
- Enemy Pie
- Recess Queen
- The Mouse at the Seashore
- Just Right Books

As we begin our third grade year, encourage your child to continue to choose and read just right books independently at home. Your continued time reading high-interest books aloud to your child will benefit your child's comprehension skills and engagement in reading.