

Dear soon to be third graders,

Summer is here! We don't want you to forget all the wonderful and valuable skills you have learned in second grade, so we have a summer packet for you to keep all those skills sharp and fresh. Below you will find some directions and tips on how to get all your summer work done and still have FUN! We appreciate you bringing in your comprehension packet, book report, reading log and math packet on the first day of third grade.)

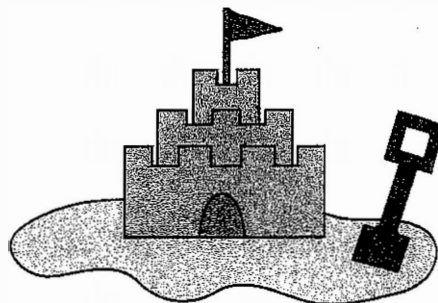
You will need to read two books this summer. The first required book is Third Grade Angels by Jerry Spinelli. We know you will enjoy this story! You will need to complete the comprehension questions that go along with it. Please use your NEATEST PRINT handwriting. Check for capitalization and punctuation. Also, make sure to answer in complete sentences.

The second book is a book of YOUR choice! You may choose fiction or nonfiction and complete the appropriate book report based on your choice. Please choose your book wisely! We want to see what you can read and how well you can write about it. Pick a "just right book", one that is not too hard or too easy. Again, we ask that you use your NEATEST PRINT handwriting, check for capitals and punctuation.

The reading log is for any other books you read over the summer! Remember to READ, READ, READ! The books will take you on many wonderful adventures!

Finally, there is a math packet. Please do a page or two a day. That way you will get done with it before you know it. It will keep your math skills and facts fresh in your mind and it won't be overwhelming.)

We are so excited to see you in September and for our new batch of "third grade angels"! Have a fun and safe summer!



NON-FICTION BOOK REPORT

Title:

by:

(your name)

Author:

of Pages

Tell what this book was about.

6 interesting facts I learned from this book:

page _____

page _____

page _____

page _____

page _____

page _____

If I were going to design a new cover for the book, it would look like this:

I rate this book





FICTION BOOK REPORT

by: _____
(your name)

Title: _____

Author: _____

GENRE

<input type="checkbox"/> realistic fiction	<input type="checkbox"/> scary fiction
<input type="checkbox"/> historical fiction	<input type="checkbox"/> fantasy
<input type="checkbox"/> science fiction	<input type="checkbox"/> other

Describe the main conflict in this story.

Name and describe the main characters

Tell how the conflict was resolved.

Setting

This story mostly takes place _____

Draw the main setting.

I rate this book

Third Grade Angels: Chapter 1 Questions

Why did Suds not like being a first grade baby or a second grade cat?

According to Mrs. Simms, what do third grade angels need to do?

Suds finds himself blurtting out in class and acting strangely. Why do you think Suds is behaving this way?

How does Mrs. Simms make the first day of third grade fun for her students?

Third Grade Angels: Chapters 2 and 3 Questions

Explain what the third graders need to do to earn a halo.

What is your impression of Joseph so far? Explain your thoughts. Use clues from the text to support your answer.

What does Suds mean when he says there is no door between his mouth and his brain?

Describe Joseph's actions on the playground. Why do you think he is acting this way?

Third Grade Angels: Chapters 4 and 5 Questions

How did George get the nickname Suds?

Explain how Suds and his mom get rid of his "chipmunky" feeling.

Who gives a big, shiny apple to Mrs. Simms on the second day of school?
How do you know?

Describe the students' behavior in the classroom on this second day of school.

What happens on the playground that disappoints Mrs. Simms?

Third Grade Angels: Chapters 6 and 7 Questions

Explain why Mrs. Simms says the whole class is guilty in the playground incident.

What does Suds realize about himself for the first time?

What appears on Mrs. Simms' desk the next morning? Describe her reaction.

Third Grade Angels: Chapters 8, 9, 10, 11 Questions

How does Suds show perfect angel behavior in Chapter 8? Use details from the chapter to support your answer.

Why does Suds' mom advise him to be nice to everybody all the time?

Describe how Suds' behavior changes at home.

What's the one thing Suds can improve on at home, according to his mom?

Third Grade Angels: Chapters 12 and 13 Questions

Describe some of the "back to bad" behaviors in Chapter 12.

Why do you think that most of the students are starting to act badly?

Why is Suds spending more and more time in the tub?

Third Grade Angels: Chapters 14 and 15 Questions

Describe the first and second "Oh No" things that happen to Suds.

Describe the third and fourth "Oh No" things that happen to Suds.

Why doesn't Suds want to get up and go to school?

Who receives the first halo?

How does not winning the halo make Suds feel, and why?

Third Grade Angels: Chapters 16 and 17 Questions

Explain why Suds feels like a bad loser.

According to Mrs. Simms, why does Constantine Pappas
get the first halo?

Do you think Mrs. Simms had spies working for her?
Explain your thoughts.

Jerry Spinelli

Third Grade Angels

My favorite part was...

because...

My least favorite part was...

because...