



Summer 2016

Dear Future Third Grade Students and Parents,

The third grade teachers are very excited about meeting you in September. We have put together a wonderful list of things that you can work on over the summer to get ready for third grade.

### SUMMER READING

There are so many wonderful books that are just waiting to be read. Your family might have a great vacation planned or you may be staying at home all summer. What better way to travel to a faraway place than through a book! Over the summer set a reading goal for yourself. **A recent study found that kids who read four or more books over the summer do better in school in the fall.** Use the Summer Reading Meter to keep track of your reading.

### The Reading Assignment

We have chosen the book What If You Had Animal Ears? for you to read. After reading the book, you must choose **two** activities from Choice Board (see attached). **This assignment will be collected on the first day of school, and it will be your first official grade in Language Arts.**

### MATH PRACTICE

Please practice your addition and subtraction facts. All students entering 3rd grade should know all basic addition and subtraction facts, along with being able to tell time. Please complete the 2 worksheets attached. **These worksheets will be collected on the first day of school, and it will be your first official grade in Math.**

### Web Sites

Listed below are wonderful math websites that will reinforce skills that have been taught.

[www.sumdog.com](http://www.sumdog.com)

[www.prodigy.com](http://www.prodigy.com)

[www.abcya.com](http://www.abcya.com)

[www.sheppardsoftware.com](http://www.sheppardsoftware.com)

[www.readtheory.com](http://www.readtheory.com)

[www.khanacademy.com](http://www.khanacademy.com)

[www.pbskids.org/games](http://www.pbskids.org/games)

[www.newsela.com](http://www.newsela.com)

### Telling Time

We would love for all incoming third graders to be able to tell time on an analog, non-digital clock. Please work with your child on this throughout the summer by asking him/her what time it is and only allow an analog clock to be used.

We are looking forward to beginning our wonderful learning adventure together! **Remember this summer "read four or more!"**

Thank you,

Have a lovely summer!

Ms. Ramos, Ms. Iatesta and Mrs. Comesañas

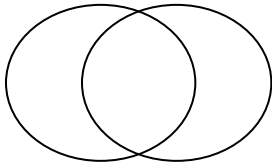


## Third Grade Summer Reading Assignment 2016 Choice Board

After reading the book What If You Had Animal Ears?, choose two activities to complete. Please bring The Choice Board, along with the two assignments you chose to complete, and hand them in on the first day of school in September. Thank You!

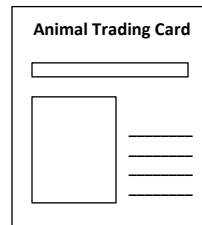
### Compare and Contrast

Use a Venn Diagram to Compare and Contrast 2 of the animals from your book, the attached Animal Flash Cards and/or the Web Sites. Include at least 3 differences for each, and at least 3 similarities. Record the differences and similarities on the Venn Diagram attached.



### Animal Trading Cards

Use the information from the book, and/or any Web Sites to create two Animal Trading Cards.



### Read All About It!

Use the "Read All About It" worksheet to report what you learned from the book, What If You Had Animal Ears?.



### Poster

Create a poster about an animal from your book or any other book/Web Site.



### Research Report

After reading about the animals, select one animal and write a research report about that animal.



### Animal Model

Create a model of your animal and use an index Cards to tell us 3 facts about the animal you chose.

