

Summer Reading Assignments for Upcoming 3rd Graders **(2 assignments)**

1. Select a chapter book and complete the “Book in a Bag” project. See directions below.
2. Read *The Littles* by John Peterson. The students will be assessed on this book the first full day that they return to school, which will be Friday, August 6.

Book in a Bag Project- Due Friday, August 6

Students will select a chapter book of their choosing. They may not have chosen this book for a previous report, and the book must be on a 2.8 grade level or higher. (If you are not sure of the books reading level, you may check it at www.arbookfind.com.) After reading the chapter book, students should decorate a bag. Along with decorations, the bag should include the title of the book, the author, the main characters, and the setting. Then, students should place 5 items in the bag that relate to the story. For each item, students should make an index card that explains how the item relates to the story. Finally, students should use one more index card to write 3 things that they have in common with the main character. Students should practice presenting their projects at home ahead of time. I have included the rubric that I will use to grade the projects.

Name _____

Date _____

Summer Book Report Rubric

| Category | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | Points |
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| Book | My book was a 2.8 level or higher chapter book. | N/A | My book was either not a chapter book or not on the assigned level. | I did not complete. | |
| Project (bag) | I decorated my bag. I included the title, author, characters, and setting. | My bag was not decorated, but it did include the title, author, characters, and setting. | My bag was missing the title, author, characters, or setting. | I did not complete. | |
| Project (5 items) | I had five items and a note card for each item that clearly explained how the items related to my book. | I had at least three items and a note card for each item. | I had less than three items. OR I did not have note cards that explained how the items related to my book. | I did not complete. | |
| Project (3 ways you relate to character) | I had a note card that clearly explained three ways that I could relate to the main character. | I had a note card that explained three ways that I could relate to the main character, but it was not clear. | I had a note card that explained less than three ways that I could relate to the main character. | I did not complete. | |
| Presentation | I spoke clearly and my presentation was easily understood. | I spoke somewhat clearly, but my presentation was understandable. | I did not speak clearly, and/ or my presentation was hard to understand. | I did not complete. | |