



3rd GRADE SUMMER READING LIST

Dear New Third Grader,

Attached you will find a list of books. Please choose four books from the list to read over the summer. After you read each book, please choose one of the attached sheets to fill out for each of them. When you come in September you should have (4) sheets filled out. The sheets will be due on the Friday of the week that school begins.

Please choose books that you will ENJOY reading. Of course you can read more than 4 books, but you are only responsible to hand in (4) sheets.

Have a great summer! Looking forward to September!!!!

Love,

Mrs. Dolan

Immaculate Heart of Mary School



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LIST OF BOOKS

Adler, David A. Many Troubles of Andy Russell.

When some of his gerbils escape and he gets in trouble for not paying attention in class, fourthgrader Andy Russell, worries about asking if a friend can move in with his family-especially when he learns that his mother is having another baby.

Barrows. Ivy and Bean.

When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her older sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, her new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected.

Child, Lauren. Utterly Me. Clarice Bean.

When someone steals the winner's trophy for the school book project, Clarice emulates her favorite book heroine, Ruby Retford the detective, and attempts to solve the mystery.

Clements, Andrew. The School Story.

After twelve-year-old Natalie writes a wonderful novel, her friend Zoe helps her devise a scheme to get it accepted at the publishing house where Natalie's mother works as an editor.

DiCamillo, Kate. Because of Winn-Dixie.

Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big ugly dog, Winn-Dixie.

Evans, Douglas. Elevator Family.

When all the rooms in the San Francisco are occupied, the four members of the Wilson family decides to spend their holiday in the hotel's elevator.

Evans, Douglas. Classroom at the End of the Hall. (also Math Rashes)

Strange things are happening in the classroom at the end of the hall,

like a chalk dust genie that appears when erasers are being cleaned, and the new art teacher who turns out to be a stick figure.

Friedman, Laurie. Mallory on the Move. (other books in the series)
After moving to a new town, eight-year-old Mallory keeps throwing stones in the "Wishing Pond" but things will not go back to the way they were before, and she remains torn between old friends and new.

Funke, Cornelia. Ghosthunters and the Incredibly Revolting Ghost.
(others in series)

A timid boy named Tom reluctantly agrees to help professional ghosthunter Hetty Hyssop dispel an IRG (Incredible Revolting Ghost) from an old house.

Gardiner, John Reynolds. Stone Fox.

Little Willie hopes to pay the back taxes on his grandfather's farm with the purse from a dog sled contest he enters.

Howe, James. Bunnacula.

Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.

Hurwitz, Johanna. Class Clown.

Lucas Cott, the most obstreperous boy in third grade, finds it very hard to turn over a new leaf when he decides to become a perfect student.

King-Smith, Dick. Lady Lollipop.

A quick-witted swineherd and a pig named Lollipop are royally rewarded after they reform a very spoiled princess.

King-Smith, Dick. Smasher.

When Mrs. Buzzard wants to get rid of the big, ugly dog that creates a lot of trouble, Farmer Buzzard decides on a plan to save this lovable monster from banishment.

Kline, Suzy. Horrible Harry Moves up to Third Grade.

Horrible and Harry and friends move up to third grade with a new room and a field trip to an old copper mine to study rocks.

Lowry, Lois. All About Sam.

The adventures of Sam, Anastasia Krupnik's younger brother, from his

first day as a newborn through his mischievous times as a toddler.

McDonald, Megan. Judy Moody.

Third grader Judy Moody is in a first day of school bad mood until she gets an assignment to create a collage all about herself and begins her masterpiece, the Me collage.

Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. Roxie and the Hooligans.

Roxie Warbler, the niece of a famous explorer, follows Uncle Dangerfoot's advice on how to survive any crisis when she becomes stranded on an island with a gang of school bullies and a pair of murderous bank robbers.

Pinkwater, Daniel. Fat Men From Space.

Through his radio tooth, William learns of an invasion by spacemen who are taking all of earth's supply of junk food.

Prelutsky, Jack. Scranimals.

A collection of puns and rhymes where birds, beasts, vegetables, and fruits have been scrambled together to create never-seen-before creatures.

BOOKS TO READ TOGETHER

Avi. Perloo the Bold.

Perloo, a peaceful scholar who has been chosen to succeed Jolaine as leader of the furry underground people called the Montmers, finds himself in danger when Jolaine's evil son seizes control of the burrow.

Birdseye. The Penderwicks.

While vacationing with their windowed father in the Berkshire Mountains, four very different sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy, much to the dismay of his snobby mother.

Dahl, Roald. James and the Giant Peach.

Young James' life is changed forever when he encounters a huge magical peach.

DiCamillo, Kate. The Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse.

a Princess, Some Soup, and a Spool of Thread.

The adventures of Despereaux Tilling (a small mouse of unusual talents), the princess he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin.

Eager, Edward. Half Magic.

Four siblings looking forward to an ordinary summer enjoy a series of fantastic adventures by double-wishing on an ancient coin.

Fitzgerald, John. The Great Brain.

The exploits of the great brain of Andenville, Utah are described by his younger brother, frequently the victim of the Great Brain's schemes for gaining prestige or money.

L'Engle, Madeline. A Wrinkle in Time.

When Meg's father disappears, three extra-terrestrial beings take her and her friends on a strange and dangerous mission to another world.

Seidler, Tor. A Rat's Tale.

Montague, an artistic young rat living beneath the streets of New York City, thinks he can do nothing to help his friends escape extermination until he develops a new understanding of himself and his ne'er-do-well uncle.

Reiche, Dietlof. L Freddy: Book One in the Golden Hamster Saga .

Freddy, a remarkably intelligent golden hamster, learns how to read and write on a computer and escapes captivity to become an independent and civilized creature.

Robinson, Barbara. The Best School Year Ever.

The six horrible Herdsmans, the worst kids in the history of the world, cause mayhem throughout the year.

Roy, Roni. The Absent Author. (other books in the series)

Dink Duncan and his two friends investigate the apparent kidnapping of famous mystery author Wallis Wallace.

Rylant, Cynthia. Gooseberry Park.

When a storm separates Stumpy the squirrel from her newborn babies, her animal friends come to the rescue.

Sanvoisin, Eric. The Ink Drinker.

A boy who hates books discovers an ink-drinking vampire in his father's bookshop and follows him to his underground vault.

Scieszka, Jon. Summer Reading is Killing Me. (other books in the series)

At the beginning of summer vacation Joe, Sam, and Fred, find themselves trapped inside their summer reading list and become involved in a battle between good and evil characters from wellknown children's books.

Smith, Alexander McCall. Five Lost Aunts of Harriet Bean. (other books in the series)

When her absent-minded inventor father suddenly remembers that he has five sisters, nine-year-old Harriet Bean, who has never heard of them before, determines to find her unknown aunts so that the unfinished family portrait can be completed.

Smith, Alexander McCall. Akimbo and the Lions. (other books in series)

When Akimbo and his park ranger father unintentionally capture a lion cub near an African game park, Akimbo wants to keep the cub.

Trine, Greg. Melvin Beederman Superhero: The Curse of the Bologna Sandwich. (others in series)

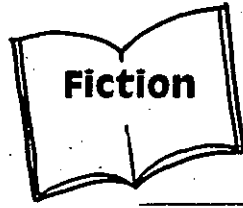
After graduating from the superhero academy, Melvin Beederman heads for the Los Angeles, where he unexpectedly teams up with Candace Brinkwater, school play actress, to nab the evil McNasty Brothers.

Whybrow, Ian. Little Wolf Book of Badness.

Little Wolf has been behaving too courteously, so his parents send him to his uncle's Big Bad Wolf school to learn to be a proper wolf.

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BOOK



REPORT

Name _____ Date _____

Title of Book _____

Author _____

Year Published _____ Number of pages _____

About the Book

1. What type of fiction was this book? (adventure, mystery, fantasy, history, etc.)

2. Why did you pick this book to read? _____

3. Tell about the most important character(s) in the book.

4. Where did the story take place? When did it happen?

5. What was the plot to the story? What happened in the book?

6. Describe one important or interesting event in the book.

7. Did you like the ending? Why or why not? _____

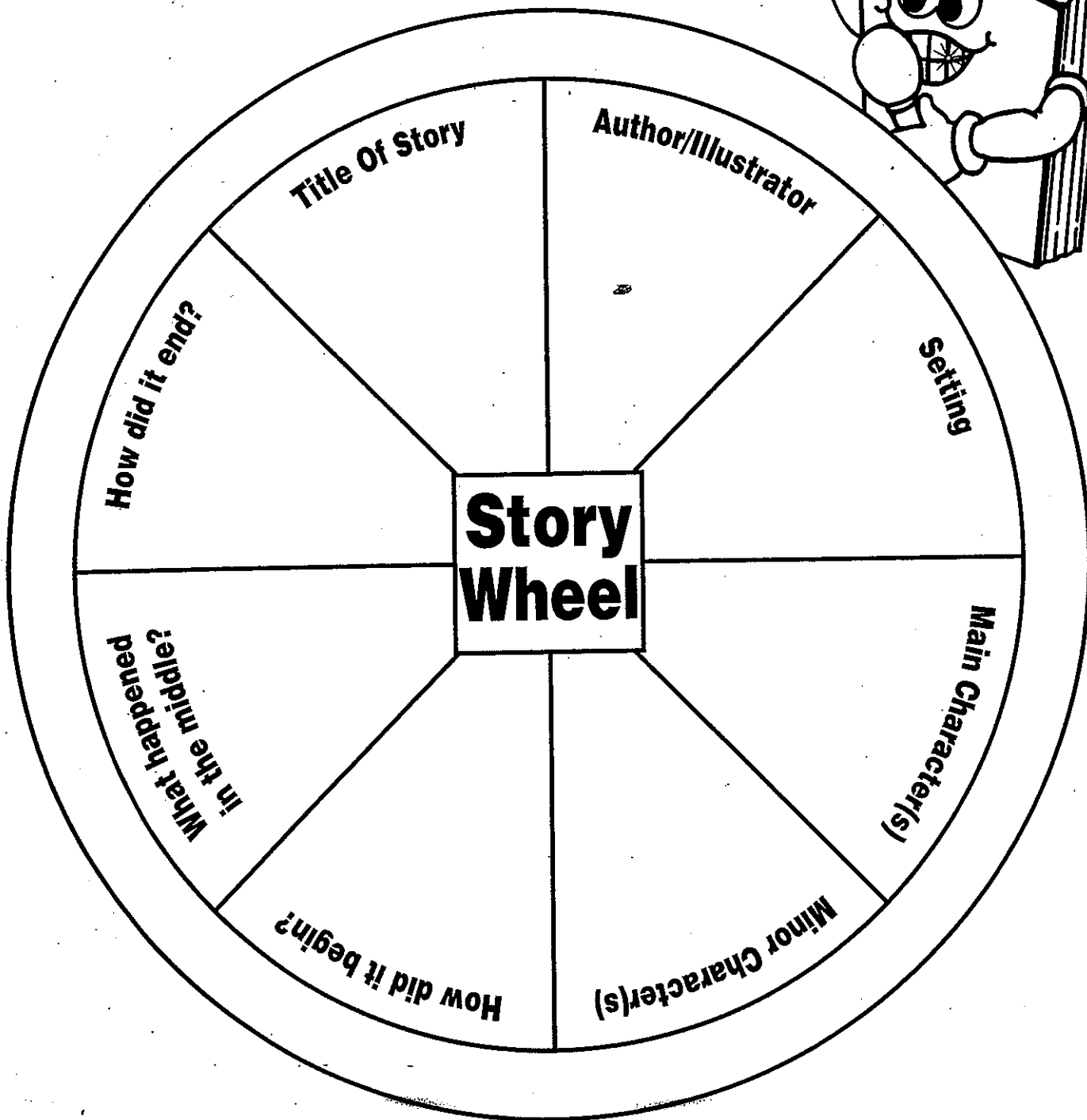
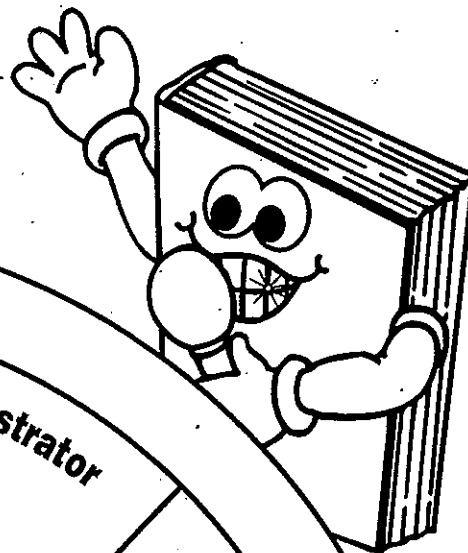
8. Was the book too hard / too easy / just right to read? Circle one.

9. Would you recommend this book to others to read? Why or why not?

Name _____

Story Wheel

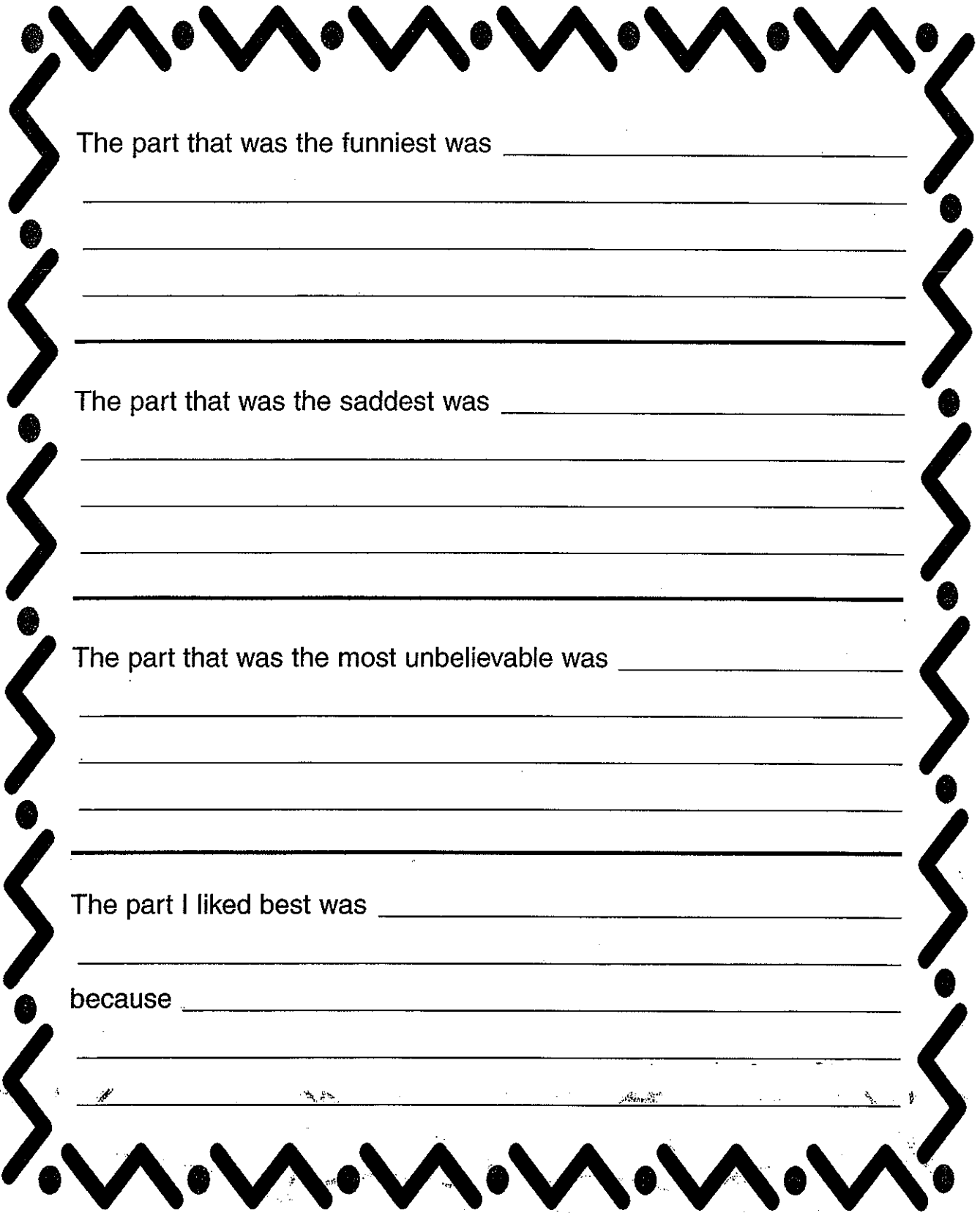
Complete the wheel with information from the story.
Then write a sentence about the story around the
outline of the wheel.



Bonus Box: Choose a section of the wheel to illustrate on drawing paper.

Pick a Part

Read a book. Write about your favorite parts.



The part that was the funniest was _____

The part that was the saddest was _____

The part that was the most unbelievable was _____

The part I liked best was _____
_____ because _____

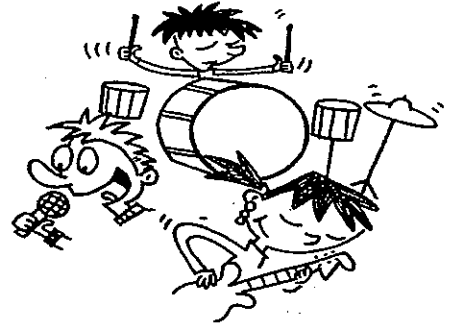
Reading Rocks!

Directions: Complete each sentence to tell why your book rocks!

Title: _____

Author: _____

This book rocks because...



1. At the beginning _____

2. I learned these new words: _____

3. The book reminded me of _____

4. And finally... drum roll, please... _____

A "Berry" Good Book!

Directions: Fill in each strawberry to tell about your book.

I "picked" this book because

Three words that got my attention were
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

The most important part of this book was

What I liked best about this book was

Title: _____
Author: _____