



# Overview of the Year for Third-Grade Readers

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SEPTEMBER	UNIT 1: Building a Reading Life
OCTOBER	UNIT 2: Following Characters into Meaning: <i>Envision, Predict, Synthesize, and Infer</i>
NOVEMBER	UNIT 3: Series Book Clubs
LATE NOVEMBER/ DECEMBER	UNIT 4: Nonfiction Reading: <i>Expository Texts</i>
JANUARY	UNIT 5: Mystery Book Clubs
FEBRUARY/MARCH	UNIT 6: Biography Book Clubs
MARCH/APRIL	UNIT 7: Test Preparation
MAY	UNIT 8: Informational Reading: <i>Reading, Research, and Writing in the Content Areas</i>
JUNE	UNIT 9: Social Issues Book Clubs

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Each year, the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project gathers together the members of our community—the teachers, coaches, schools leaders, and staff developers—to reconceptualize the curricular calendars to reflect the latest research and innovations in the teaching of reading. This year, you’ll notice most dramatically the effect of the Common Core Standards in the emphasis, across the year and within each unit, on analytical thinking and reading skills. This community has