Created by the Elementary Summer Curriculum Project Committee 2014 Grade 3: Informational Reading:

Reading, Research, and Writing in the Content Areas

The Informational Reading unit was designed to be used with the content area of social studies. While aligning research to the social studies topics studied in third grade, students may pick a topic to research from the subjects of Pilgrims, Puritans, and The American Revolution. Throughout the unit, students will be thinking, talking, and writing about their research.

MENTOR TEXTS

TITLE	AUTHOR	BOOK TYPE	<u>PHOTO</u>
Which Way to the Revolution? A Book AboutMaps (Teaching Point: Using Tools to Help Gather Information (Maps))Text and maps describe the route traveled by Paul Revere when he warned the colonists of the approach of the British prior to the outbreak of the American Revolution.	Bob Barner	Picture Book	Which Way to the Revolution? • A Book About Maps Barner
 Let It Begin Here! Lexington & Concord- First Battles of the American Revolution (Teaching Point: Using Tools to Help Gather Information Timelines)) On April 18th at 9:30 p.m. Paul Revere learned that the British Army was marching toward Lexington and Concord to arrest rebel leaders. At 5:20 the next morning, a shot rang out and the American Revolution had begun. Told in a step- by-step account of the 24 hours leading up to the battles that sparked a revolution, this tale is sure to both inform and entertain. 	Dennis Brindell Fradin	Picture Book	Let It Bagin Hore Letter on & Coscar Development of the Coscar Development of the Coscar Development of the Coscar

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The American Revolution

GRADE	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>LEXILE</u>	TITLE	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>BOOK TYPE</u>	<u>РНОТО</u>
3	n/a	1060	Liberty or Death: The American <u>Revolution: 1763-1783 (American Story)</u> A colorfully illustrated book that spotlights the Revolutionary War, this book gives both a plot and cast of important characters. The book contains informative pictures and maps, descriptive tables, etc.	Betsy Maestro	Picture Book	Exercise (b) (b) (b) (c) (c) (c) (c) (c) (c) (c) (c) (c) (c
3	0	GN600	The Boston Tea Party (Series: Graphic History) In a graphic novel format, this book describes the events of the Boston Tea Party, one of the acts by American Patriots that led to the American Revolution.	Matt Doeden	Graphic Novel	BOSTON TEA PARTY
3	n/a	900	What Was The Boston Tea Party? (Series: What WasSeries) "No Taxation without Representation!" The Boston Tea Party stands as an iconic event of the American Revolution. Outraged by the tax on tea, American colonists chose to destroy the tea by dumping it into the water! Learn all about the famed colonialists who fought against the British Monarchy, and read about this act of rebellion from our history.	Kathleen Krull	Chapter Book	What Was the Boston Tea Party?

3	Τ	GN530	Paul Revere's Ride (Series: Graphic History)Follow the exciting ride of Paul Revere in this fast-paced book from the Graphic Library series. Readers will learn about colonial America and the events leading to the American Revolution. This book is written in comic book format and has color illustrations.	Xavier Niz	Graphic Novel	
3	Т	GN590	The Boston Massacre (Series: Graphic History) In graphic novel format, this book describes the history surrounding the tensions between the American colonies and Britain, which eventually led to the massacre in Boston on March 5, 1770.	Michael Burgan	Graphic Novel	BOSTON ASSOCRET CONTRACTOR

Puritans

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>LEXILE</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	AUTHOR	BOOK TYPE	<u>РНОТО</u>
3		GN580	The Salem Witch Trials (Series: Graphic History) History leaps off the page in Capstone's Graphic Library. Eye-popping artwork and easy-to-read text offer an appealing experience for all readers. An additional information section provides key facts and further understanding.	Michael Martin	Graphic Novel	SALEM WITCH TRIALS

Pilgrims

GRADE	<u>LEVEL</u>	LEXILE	TITLE	AUTHOR	BOOK TYPE	<u>РНОТО</u>
3	Т	GN580	The Voyage of the Mayflower (Series: Graphic History) This book tells the story of the colonists who traveled to North America in 1620 on the Mayflower, their reasons for coming, and how they started Plymouth Colony. It is written in graphic-novel format.	Allison Lassieur	Graphic Novel	The Theyare Of The 2Wayflower
3	R	GN460	The Pilgrims and the First Thanksgiving (Series: Graphic History) This book tells the devastating story of the Pilgrims' first year in America up until their Harvest Festival. It is written in graphic- novel format.	Mary Englar	Graphic Novel	
3	n/a	690	What Was the First Thanksgiving? After their first harvest in 1621, the Pilgrims at Plymouth shared a three-day feast with their Native American neighbors. Of course, the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag didn't know it at the time, but they were making history, celebrating what would become a national holiday.	Joan Holub	Chapter Book	the First Thanksgiving?

3	R	780	Who's That Stepping on Plymouth Rock? For years, Plymouth Rock lived a quiet life. Then in 1741, the people decided to make a fuss because the Pilgrims must have stepped on it when they arrived in America. And that's when the adventures began. This entertaining book tells about Plymouth Rock's humble origins before it rose to a place of historic prominence.	Jean Fritz	Picture Book	Wave the representation of the representatio
3			The Mayflower and the Pilgrims' New World After a dangerous journey across the Atlantic, the Mayflower's passengers were saved from certain destruction with the help of the Natives of the Plymouth region. For fifty years a fragile peace was maintained as Pilgrims and Native Americans learned to work together. But when that trust was broken by the next generation of leaders, a conflict erupted that nearly wiped out Pilgrims and Natives alike. Adapted from the <i>New York Times</i> bestseller <i>Mayflower</i> specifically for younger readers, this edition includes additional maps, artwork, and archival photos.	Nathaniel Philbrick	Picture Book	

3	n/a	750	Why Did the Pilgrims Come to the New World? And Other Questions About the Plymouth ColonyIn December 1620, a group of English settlers stepped out of their boats and climbed up the shore to a point overlooking a small harbor. Known as the Pilgrims, they had traveled far on the Mayflower. Behind them was the vast Atlantic Ocean. Before them was the wilderness of North America. They called their new home the Plymouth Colony. But who were the Pilgrims? Why had they left England? And what lay ahead for them over the long winter in Plymouth? Discover the facts about the Pilgrims and their struggle to build a colony in the New World	Laura Hamilton Waxman	Picture Book	
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