

{3rd Grade}
**READING
RESPONSE
MENUS
ACROSS
THE YEAR**

Ten different 3rd Grade CCSS-Aligned Reading Response Menus from August to June that include choices for appetizers, main courses, and desserts. Includes 2 recording sheets.

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READING LOG & RESPONSE MENU

August



Directions: Choose an appetizer, main course, and dessert.
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Word Choice Wraps

Choose three examples of amazing word choice. Write the sentences, circle the word choice, and include the page numbers.

Background Knowledge Biscuits (Nonfiction)

What do you already know about this topic? Write down 3-4 facts.

main course

Summary Sandwich

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Character Pot Pie

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Text Feature Tacos (Nonfiction)

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DESSERT

Prediction Pudding

What do you think is going to happen next? Why do you think that?

Connection Cake

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Lingering Questions Lollipops (Nonfiction)

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Wondering Wontons (Nonfiction)

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Sequence of Events Spaghetti

List the order of main events in the story so far. Include at least 5 events from the story in your response.

Feeling Fettuccine

How does this story or these chapters make you feel? Why? Be sure to explain your thinking using evidence from the text.

New Learning Noodles (Nonfiction)

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DESSERT

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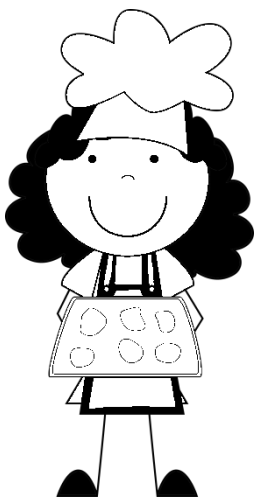
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Next Steps Neapolitan Ice Cream (Nonfiction)

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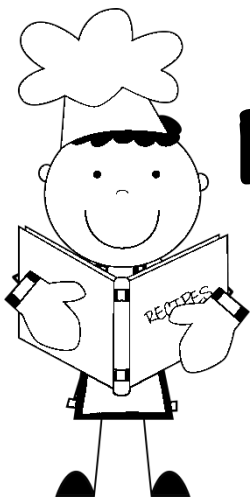
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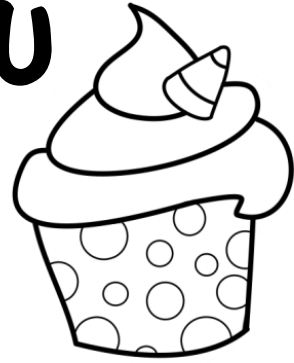
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Wondering Wontons (Nonfiction)

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Family Ties Fajitas

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DESSERT

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Movie Molten Cake

Do you think this book would make a good movie? Why or why not?

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Change-Up Chicken Soup

If you could change something about the story or the chapter(s), what would you change? Why?

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DESSERT

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Do you think this book would make a good movie? Why or why not?

Ratings Rocky Road

On a scale of 1-5 stars (1=worst and 5=best), how many stars would you give this book? Why?

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Cover Cole Slaw

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Wondering Wontons (Nonfiction)

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main course

Change-Up Chicken Soup

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Vocabulary Vegetable Stir Fry

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New Learning Noodles (Nonfiction)

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Favorites French Fries

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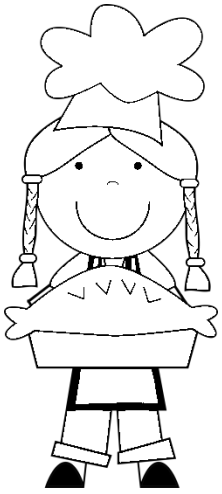
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Visualizing Veggies

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Wondering Wontons (Nonfiction)

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Grade Card Grilled Cheese

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New Learning Noodles (Nonfiction)

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DESSERT

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Change Churros

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Genre Jell-O

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main course

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Describe the setting and include time and place. Include details from the book in your response.

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Wondering Wontons (Nonfiction)

What do you want to know about this topic? Write down 2-3 questions.

Character Quesadilla

Who are the characters in the story? List who you know and whether they are the **protagonist** (main character), **antagonist** (working against the main character), or **minor characters**.

Purpose PIE

What is the author's purpose in writing this book: to **Persuade**, **Inform**, or **Entertain**? How do you know? Use evidence from the text to support your thinking.

Blurb BBQ

Read the blurb on the back of the book. What does it tell you about what is going to happen in the book? What do you have a question about after reading it?

Cover Cole Slaw

Look carefully at the cover illustration and the title. What do you notice? What do you think the book will be about based on the picture? Why?

Favorites French Fries

What was your favorite part of the book? Why?

Visualizing Veggies

What are you picturing in your mind when you read this section? Sketch a picture on a separate piece of paper and label the important parts. Then, glue your picture into the booklet before you turn it in.

Genre Jell-O

What genre is this book (nonfiction, realistic fiction, historical fiction, fantasy, mystery, biography, etc.)? How do you know?

main COURSE

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Sequence of Events Spaghetti

List the order of main events in the story so far. Include at least 5 events from the story in your response.

Feeling Fettuccine

How does this story or these chapters make you feel? Why? Be sure to explain your thinking using evidence from the text.

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Character Casserole

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New Learning Noodles (Nonfiction)

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Family Ties Fajitas

If you could be related to any character in your book, who would you choose? Why would you choose them? Be sure to explain your thinking using evidence from the text.

Change-Up Chicken Soup

If you could change something about the story or the chapter(s), what would you change? Why?

Vocabulary Vegetable Stir Fry

Find 3-5 new and wonderful words the author uses in this book/chapters. List them below, write a short definition, and then use them in a new sentence.

Lesson Linguine

What lesson did the main character learn in this book? Or, what lesson do you *think* the main character will learn by the end of this book? Use evidence from the text to support your thinking.

Grade Card Grilled Cheese

Grade a character in the book on how well he/she showed **one** of your school rules. Explain your grade using evidence from the text.

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Author Apple Pie

What questions do you have for the author about this story? How do you think he/she would answer?
Write 2-3 questions and answers.

Movie Molten Cake

Do you think this book would make a good movie? Why or why not?

Ratings Rocky Road

On a scale of 1-5 stars (1=worst and 5=best), how many stars would you give this book? Why?

Interview Ice Cream

If you could meet any of the characters, what would you ask him/her? Why?
Write 2-3 questions and how you think the character would respond.

Lingering Questions Lollipops (Nonfiction)

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Recommendation Red Velvet Cake

Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?
Why do you think they would like it/not like it?

Change Churros

How did the main character change from the beginning of the story to the end of the story? Use evidence from the story to support your answer.

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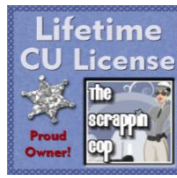
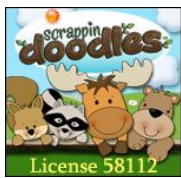
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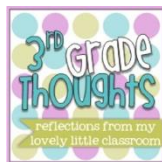
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