

Fifth Grade Summer Reading: *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen

Activities due Friday, August 31st

Each student is responsible for completing three activities from the following choices. Your three activities must follow the rules of tic-tac-toe (i.e., three in a row). Please self-assess your rubric using the rubric (on the back of this sheet) prior to turning in your work. You will have an opportunity to share with your classmates!

<p>Use the survival tips you read in <i>Hatchet</i> to create your own survival guide.</p>	<p>Write an essay in response to the following question: What questions would you like to ask Brian about his experience? Do you find his experience believable? How do you think you would have dealt with a similar situation?</p>	<p>Imagine that you are a book reviewer for your school newspaper and have been asked to review <i>Hatchet</i> for the next issue. In your review, introduce Brian to the readers and summarize the plot. Do not reveal the outcome of the story. Then give your opinion of the novel and reasons for your opinion. Write your review on a separate sheet of paper.</p>
<p>Create a missing persons poster of Brian. Items to include: physical appearance, picture of Brian, and where he was last seen. Provide reward information and contact information as well.</p>	<p>Using an 8.5 x 11 (or larger) sheet of paper, illustrate a new book cover for <i>Hatchet</i>. Your cover should be an original piece of art that summarizes the book in a picture.</p>	<p>Make a comic book (at least six frames) that illustrates the important events that happen in <i>Hatchet</i>. Make your illustrations colorful and exciting!</p>
<p>Design a story map plot poster. Make sure to include the following in order: characters, setting, five events of the rising action, the climax, and the resolution.</p>	<p>Make a 3-D model of Brian's camp and environment using toys, clay, Legos, sand, rocks, leaves, etc. Include everything he sees and uses to help him survive.</p>	<p>Write a paragraph in response to the following question: Are Brian's reactions to the pilot's death and crash realistic? Does Brian seem like a real thirteen-year-old? Explain your answer.</p>

Enrichment Suggestions:

- Read *Brian's Winter*, also by Gary Paulsen, or *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell. Compare and contrast the book of your choice with *Hatchet*. Record your ideas on a Venn Diagram or a Double-Bubble Map.
- Other books you may enjoy: *Soldier's Heart* by Gary Paulsen, *Behind Rebel Lines* by Seymour Reit