

Literature Guide Gary Paulsen

Longlisted for the National Book Award The Newbery Honor–winning author of Hatchet and Dogsong shares surprising true stories about his relationship with animals, highlighting their compassion, intellect, intuition, and sense of adventure. Gary Paulsen is an adventurer who competed in two Iditarods, survived the Minnesota wilderness, and climbed the Bighorns. None of this would have been possible without his truest companion: his animals. Sled dogs rescued him in Alaska, a sickened poodle guarded his well-being, and a horse led him across a desert. Through his interactions with dogs, horses, birds, and more, Gary has been struck with the belief that animals know more than we may fathom. His understanding and admiration of animals is well known, and in *This Side of Wild*, which has taken a lifetime to write, he proves the ways in which they have taught him to be a better person.

A literature guide to *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
Gone to the Woods Surviving a Lost Childhood Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR)

Plot summary, discussion questions, suggested activities and vocabulary.

HATCHET: a Novel Study Literature Guide |
Comprehension Questions | Classroom Teaching
The River by Gary Paulsen (SuperSummary)

Hatchet: An Instructional Guide for Literature
The True Stories Behind Hatchet and the Brian
Books

Teacher Guide

Teacher Guide : Grades 7-8

Sent to spend the summer with his uncle and aunt on their farm, an eleven-year-old city boy meets his daredevil cousin Harris and is given an introduction to a whole new world.

When sixty-five erasers go missing, Principal Wagner enlists the help of the school's best problem solver and locator of lost items, twelve-year-old Lyle Williams, aka Mudshark.

Suggests pre-reading activities, vocabulary and comprehension exercises, and follow-up activities to use in conjunction with teaching the novel The River by Gary Paulsen.

Surviving a Lost Childhood

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen : a Novel Study Guide

Canyons, by Gary Paulsen

Hatchet [by] Gary Paulsen

Nightjohn

An Instructional Guide for Literature

A collection of activities including reproducible pages, teacher notes, synopses, discussion questions, and

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comprehension assessments, designed to help students understand five works by author Gary Paulsen.

Eager to enlist, fifteen-year-old Charley has a change of heart after experiencing both the physical horrors and mental anguish of Civil War combat.

Celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of the Newbery Honor-winning survival novel *Hatchet* with a pocket-sized edition perfect for travelers to take along on their own adventures. This special anniversary edition includes a new introduction and commentary by author Gary Paulsen, pen-and-ink illustrations by Drew Willis, and a water resistant cover. *Hatchet* has also been nominated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's *The Great American Read*. Thirteen-year-old Brian Robeson, haunted by his secret knowledge of his mother's infidelity, is traveling by single-engine plane to visit his father for the first time since the divorce. When the plane crashes, killing the pilot, the sole survivor is Brian. He is alone in the Canadian wilderness with nothing but his clothing, a tattered windbreaker, and the hatchet his mother had given him as a present. At first consumed by despair and self-pity, Brian slowly learns survival skills—how to make a shelter for himself, how to hunt and fish and forage for food, how to make a fire—and even finds the courage to start over from scratch when a tornado ravages his campsite. When Brian is finally rescued after fifty-four days in the wild, he emerges from his ordeal with new patience and maturity, and a greater understanding of himself and his parents.

A Study Guide to the Novel by Gary Paulsen
The Voyage of the Frog

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Study Guide

Tracker

Brian's Winter

A Study Guide to the Novel by Gary Paulsen. Study guide

Instead of being rescued from a plane crash, as in the author's book "Hatchet," this story portrays what would have happened to Brian had he been forced to survive a winter in the wilderness with only his survival pack and hatchet.

This literature unit is used with Hatchet, by Gary Paulsen.

Included are sample lesson plans, biographical sketch of the author, book summary, book report ideas and more.

Only 13, John must track a deer in the Minnesota woods for his family's winter meat, and in doing so finds himself drawn to the doe he's been tracking and hating his role as hunter.

A Guide for Using Hatchet in the Classroom

The River

Hatchet

Novel Ties, Hatchet, Gary Paulsen

Gone to the Woods

Grades 5 - 6

This adventure novel about survival at sea by Newbery Honor author Gary Paulsen is now available in an After Words paperback edition! David thought he was alone, that the ocean around him was all there was of the world. The wind screamed, the waves towered, and his boat, twenty-two foot fiberglass FROG, skidded and bucked and, each moment, filled deeper and grew heavier with sea water. David thought surely he was dead at fourteen. His uncle Owen, who had taught him about sailing safe

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would be so angry. Owen had died only days ago, his last wish for David to take the FROG out on his own, and send her beyond sight of the coast, and once there scatter Owen's ashes.

For a rugged outdoor man and his family, life in northern Minnesota is a wild experience involving wolves, deer, and the sled dogs that make their way of life possible. Includes an account of the author's first Iditarod, a dogsled race across Alaska.

A young boy growing up on a northern Minnesota farm describes the scenes around him and recounts his old Norwegian uncle's tales of an almost mythological logging past. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

Mudshark

Soldier's Heart

The Winter Room by Gary Paulsen

A literature guide to Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

The Haymeadow

Harris and Me

From his 1776 Pennsylvania homestead, thirteen-year-old Samuel, who is a highly-skilled woodsman, sets out toward New York City to rescue his parents from the band of British soldiers and Indians who kidnapped them after slaughtering most of their community. Includes historical notes. Suggests activities to be used in the

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classroom to accompany the reading of Hatchet [by] Gary Paulsen.

The author relates incidents in his life and how they inspired parts of his books about the character, Brian Robeson.

Captive

Woodsong

Gary Paulsen : a Study Guide

Mr. Tucket : a Study Guide to the Novel by Gary Paulsen

Study guide

Mr. Tucket

Gary Paulsen has owned dozens of unforgettable and amazing dogs, and here are his favorites--one to a chapter. Among them are Snowball, the puppy he owned as a boy in the Philippines; Ike, his mysterious hunting companion; Electric Fred and his best friend, Pig; Dirk, the grim protector; and Josh, one of the remarkable border collies working on Paulsen's ranch today. My Life in Dog Years is a book for every dog lover and every Paulsen fan--a perfect combination that shows vividly the joy and wisdom that come from growing up with man's best friend.

Use this guide to explore this Newbery Honor Book about a boy who must learn to survive in the wilderness with only the help of his hatchet. Hatchet: An Instructional Guide for Literature is filled with challenging cross-curricular activities and lessons that work in conjunction with the text. Students will learn how to analyze story elements in multiple ways,

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practice close reading, improve text-based vocabulary, and determine meaning through text-dependent questions. Strengthen your students' literacy skills by implementing this high-interest resource in your classroom!

A mesmerizing memoir from a literary legend, giving readers a new perspective on the origins of Hatchet and other famed survival stories. His name is synonymous with high-stakes wilderness survival adventures. Now, beloved author Gary Paulsen portrays a series of life-altering moments from his turbulent childhood as his own original survival story. If not for his summer escape from a shockingly neglectful Chicago upbringing to a North Woods homestead at age five, there never would have been a Hatchet. Without the encouragement of the librarian who handed him his first book at age thirteen, he may never have become a reader. And without his desperate teenage enlistment in the Army, he would not have discovered his true calling as a storyteller. An entrancing account of grit and growing up, perfect for newcomers and lifelong fans alike, this is the famed author at his rawest and most real.

Being the Story of the Enlistment and Due Service of the Boy Charley Goddard in the First Minnesota Volunteers :a Novel of the Civil War

*Hatchet Common Core Aligned Literature Guide
Guts*

Mutts, Mares, and Laughing Dinosaurs

Critical Reading Activities for the Works of Gary Paulsen

Brian's Winter : a Novel Study

SuperSummary, a modern alternative to

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SparkNotes and CliffsNotes, offers high-quality study guides for challenging works of literature. This 50-page guide for "The River" by Gary Paulsen includes detailed chapter summaries and analysis covering 24 chapters, as well as several more in-depth sections of expert-written literary analysis.

Featured content includes commentary on major characters, 25 important quotes, essay topics, and key themes like Nature's Beauty Versus Nature's Power and The Influence of Experience on One's Character.

Because of his success surviving alone in the wilderness for fifty-four days, fifteen-year-old Brian, profoundly changed by his time in the wild, is asked to undergo a similar experience to help scientists learn more about the psychology of survival.

Are you thinking of having your class read Gary Paulsen's novel, HATCHET? Do you need worksheets to assess students' comprehension for each chapter? If yes, the mega 225-page novel study may be of help to you! As a teacher, I was reluctant to read Hatchet to my class, but changed my mind after reading the

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novel. Some students may love to read about characters having daring adventures in a wilderness setting. HATCHET is a real page-turner and will keep students wanting to read more when their other work is done! It is a Canadian story about a thirteen year-old boy who flies north to visit his father for the summer. He has a big secret and it affects him deeply. During the flight north, something happens inside the bush plane and the protagonist is challenged to make a life defying decision. HATCHET is truly a "Coming-of-age" and Bildungsroman novel. What happens to the main character will stir and stay with readers long after they finish the last page. This novel study carefully deconstructs each chapter and pulls from the text information that will cause students to think about their own lives in comparison. There are various types of questions that utilize Howard Gardner's Intelligences, prompt online internet research, stimulate classroom discussions and encourage higher-level learning. Students learn to analyze, synthesize and sift data by filling in

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the blanks, circling true or false questions, selecting from a multiple choice, or providing his/her personal opinion. It is an excellent novel study for your upcoming term!

Hatchet, [by] Gary Paulsen, with
Connections

A Study Guide

Woods Runner

Study Guide to Escape from Fire

Mountain : a Novel by Gary Paulsen

This Side of Wild

Activities to be used in the classroom to accompany the reading of Canyons by Gary Paulsen.

Fourteen-year-old John Barron is asked, like his father and grandfather before him, to spend the summer taking care of their sheep in the haymeadow. Six thousand sheep. John will be alone, except for two horses, four dogs, and all those sheep. John doesn't feel up to the task, but he hopes that if he can accomplish it, he will finally please his father. But John finds that the adage "things just to sheep" is true when the river floods, coyotes attack, and one dog's feet get cut. Through it all he must rely on his own resourcefulness, ingenuity, and talents to survive this summer in the haymeadow.

Novel-Ties study guides contain reproducible pages in a chapter by chapter format to accompany a work

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of literature of the same title.

A Summer Remembered

A Literature Kit for Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

The Winter Room by Gary Paulsen : a Novel Study
Guide

My Life in Dog Years