

2009 Summer Reading List  
Incoming grade 7 students of Debbie Watts

Hatchet By Gary Paulsen

Newberry award-winning book about a 13-year-old's struggle for survival in the Canadian wilderness and his inner turmoil about the divorce of his parents.

As you read, write the following in your journal:

1. At the end of each chapter, write two questions that come into your mind and make one prediction about what you think will happen.
2. At the end of chapter 5, create a character web, showing at least four character traits of Bryan. Then, at the end of the book make another one, and in your notes, compare his character traits earlier in the book with the more mature, capable young man he becomes at the end.
3. From what point of view is the story told?
4. What is the author's purpose, or main idea of this book? Tell why you think this.
5. Fill in a plot diagram, citing the specific events which constitute these elements:  
exposition  
rising action  
climax  
falling action  
resolution

My summer e-mail address: [wattsd2@comcast.net](mailto:wattsd2@comcast.net)