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2023-2024  
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- Google classroom code incoming 6th grade religion-**koi7pq4**

**6th grade Religion/Homeroom**

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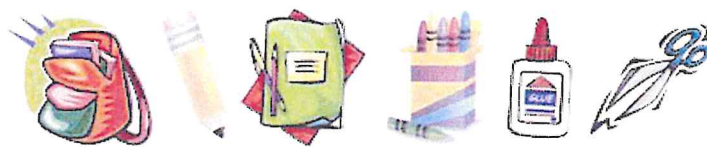
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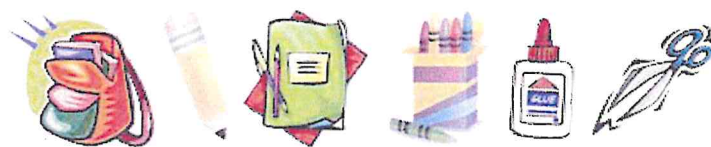
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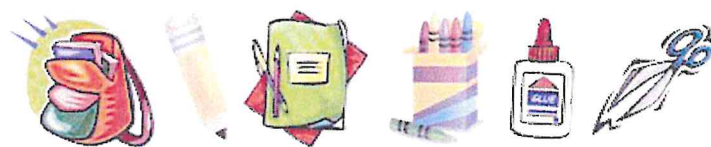
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June 2023

Dear Incoming Sixth Graders,

Well...my dream has come true...I get to continue to be your teacher as you enter Middle School. You are an amazing group of young people and I truly look forward to watching you continue to grow and change. We've had 2 great years and you are really like a family! I want to watch you become "that class" that everyone will always remember.

Now that we know what happened to Brian in Hatchet, you'll get to see what might have happened if he had never been rescued!!!  
You will have 2 Assignments over the summer.

1. You will be reading the novel Brian's Winter by Gary Paulsen. As you read, you will complete the attached questions, making sure you answer all parts of every question in complete sentences. You will also do the Vocabulary definitions before you read each chapter. These papers will be collected and graded the first week back. There will be a TEST on the novel and you will write a THEME Essay during the first two weeks of school.
2. You will also read any other grade appropriate book. As you read, you are to complete the attached Vocabulary Sheet of new words you encounter as you read. Your goal should be about one word per chapter. You will write the word, the sentence in which it appeared, and the definition. When you return, you will create a One-Pager to represent the book you read, just like you did for the Southwest.

I hope you have a wonderful summer. I will miss you all very much and look forward to hearing about all of your adventures.

Mrs. Sammons

# BRIAN'S WINTER

## VOCABULARY WORDS AND DEFINITIONS

Chapters	Page #	Word	Definition
Foreword & Chapters 1-2	9	averted	
	12	relished	
	14	eluded	
	19	ransacking	
Chapters 3-4	28	famished	
	29	flabbergasted	
	35	lethargy	
	41	scrutinized	
Chapters 5-6	50	counteract	
	53	gingerly	
	54	wincing	
	56	stymied	
Chapters 7-8	60	devastating	
	62	vital	
	67	dismal	
	70	brittle	
Chapters 9-10	74	skittering	
	75	simultaneously	
	79	hampered	
	81	animosity	
Chapters 11-12	87	idle	
	88	crude	
	89	supple	
	92	scraggly	
Chapters 13-14	98	intermittently	
	99	accustomed	
	100	densely	
	104	fatal	
Chapters 15-16	117	splurged	
	114	swiveled	
	122	shuddered	
	121	frantic	



# BRIAN'S WINTER

## VOCABULARY WORDS AND DEFINITIONS (CONTINUED)

Chapters	Page #	Word	Definition
Chapter 17 and Epilogue	124	neglected	
	125	plausible	
	129	stunned	
	131	scrupulously	

# FOREWORD & CHAPTERS 1-2

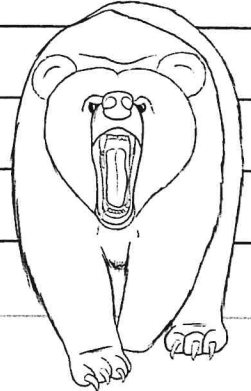
- ❖ **Quickwrite:** How do you know when winter is coming? What are your favorite and least favorite things about winter?

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- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

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| 1. What are some of the items that Brian found in the emergency pack? Choose all that apply.<br>a. Pots and pans<br>b. A sleeping bag<br>c. A coat<br>d. Food | 2. What does Brian hunt and eat in Chapter 1?<br>a. A wolf<br>b. A rabbit<br>c. A porcupine<br>d. A turtle |
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- ❖ **True or False:** Write T for True and F for False.

1. Brian ate a whole package of prunes in one sitting. \_\_\_\_
2. Brian realizes his rifle is broken. \_\_\_\_
3. Brian prefers to cook his meat on a stick over the fire. \_\_\_\_
4. The birds are significant to Brian. \_\_\_\_
5. Brian is afraid of the wolves that come by sometimes. \_\_\_\_

- ❖ **Foreshadowing:** Write at least one quote from the story that foreshadows that winter will bring trouble for Brian.

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❖ Comprehension & Analysis: Answer in complete sentences.

1. Summarize the important points that the author shares with us readers in the Foreword.

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2. Brian has lived in the wilderness for months now. What has Brian learned about killing animals during this time? Use textual evidence to support your answer.

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3. Explain what Brian does when he is "visiting."

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4. At the end of Chapter 2, the text says that the bear is not Brian's primary adversary, or enemy. Who is Brian's primary adversary? Explain what this means.

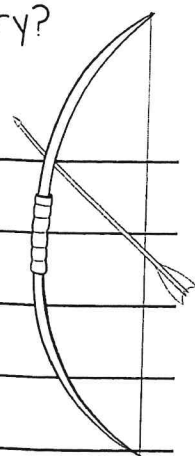
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# CHAPTERS 3-4

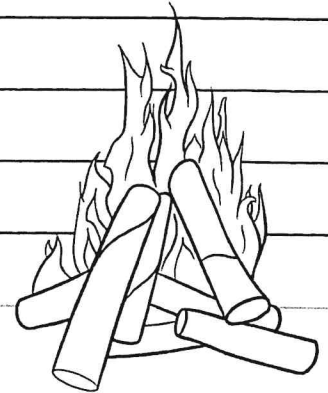
- ❖ **Quickwrite:** Write about a time that you sewed something or created something. What was it like? Were you happy with what you made?

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- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

1. What does Brian use to make his arrowheads?
  - a. Flint
  - b. Wood
  - c. White stone
  - d. Animal bones
2. How does Brian make his shelter more weathertight?
  - a. He uses mud.
  - b. He weaves branches.
  - c. He moves deeper into the forest.
  - d. He makes a wall of logs.

- ❖ **True or False:** Write T for True and F for False.

1. It rains for 10 days straight. \_\_\_\_
2. Brian brings fire into his shelter and accidentally burns it down. \_\_\_\_
3. Brian sews rabbit skins together. \_\_\_\_
4. Brian struggles to find dry wood. \_\_\_\_
5. Brian hears a plane in these chapters. \_\_\_\_

- ❖ **Textual Evidence:** Find a quote from the book that supports the following statement. Write the quote on the lines below.

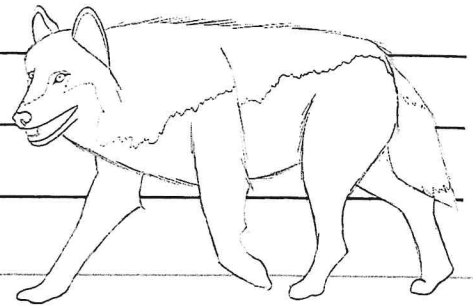
*Brian is worried about the upcoming winter.*

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# CHAPTERS 5-6

- ❖ **Quickwrite:** Write about a time that you have made progress towards a goal. What was the goal? How did you make progress? How did this make you feel?



- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

1. What kind of meat do the wolves leave for Brian to find?
  - a. Opossum
  - b. Bear
  - c. Deer
  - d. Badger
2. What does Brian name the skunk?
  - a. Jasmine
  - b. Betty
  - c. Philip
  - d. Robbie

- ❖ **True or False:** Write T for True and F for False.

1. Brian feeds a skunk. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Brian fashions a vest from bird feathers. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Brian's new bow and arrow breaks in half when he first uses it. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Brian eats a lot of deer meat. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Brian wants to start hunting larger game. \_\_\_\_\_

- ❖ **Details:** Below, write two details from these chapters that you think are important.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

# CHAPTERS 7-8

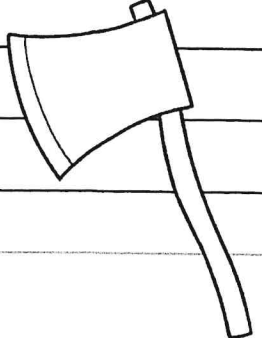
- ❖ **Quickwrite:** Does it snow where you live? Do you enjoy the snow? Why or why not?

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- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

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| 1. Why does Brian awaken in the middle of the night? | 2. With what does Brian make moccasins? |
| a. He is too hungry.                                 | a. Rabbit skin                          |
| b. The skunk attacks him.                            | b. Fish skin                            |
| c. A bear has come.                                  | c. Tree bark                            |
| d. A snake is in his shelter.                        | d. Deer hide                            |

- ❖ **Sequencing:** Put the following statements in chronological order, using the numbers 1-5.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian thinks to himself that the snow will make it easier to hunt.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The skunk sprays directly in the bear's eyes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian creates moccasins.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian creates a killing lance.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It snows for the first time.

- ❖ **Imagery:** In these chapters, the author uses imagery in the text to help you picture what it looks and feels like after the first snow. Copy at least 2 quotes below that are examples of imagery.

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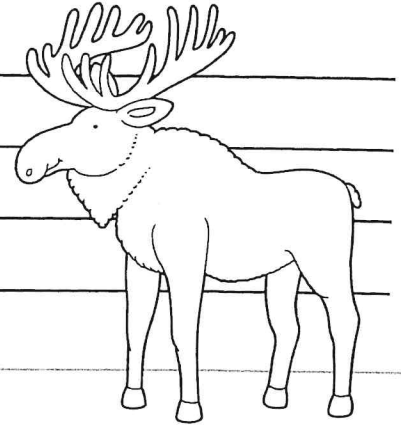
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# CHAPTERS 9-10

- ❖ **Quickwrite:** Write about a time that you did something you were proud of.



- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

1. How big is the moose that Brian kills?
  - a. 3-4 feet
  - b. 5-7 feet
  - c. 8-10 feet
  - d. 1-3 feet
2. What is the first thing that Brian does to the moose?
  - a. He drags it to camp.
  - b. He skins it.
  - c. He has a funeral for it.
  - d. He cuts off its antlers.

- ❖ **Sequencing:** Put the following statements in chronological order, using the numbers 1-5.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian finally goes to sleep, thinking about what a good day it's been.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian drags the moose leg back to his shelter.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian spots moose tracks.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian feels both happy and sad when he sees the moose is dead.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian drags the moose hide to camp around 4 in the morning.

- ❖ **Main Idea:** Give Chapters 9 and 10 new names. Explain your choices.

Chapter 9: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter 10: \_\_\_\_\_

❖ Comprehension & Analysis: Answer in complete sentences.

1. Explain why Brian almost can't hunt when he first sets out to hunt in Chapter 9.

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2. How does the author build suspense as Brian waits to take a shot at the moose? Write examples of quotes from the text that build suspense.

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3. How does Brian feel after he kills the moose? Explain why he feels this way.

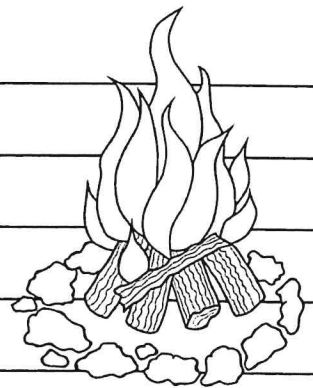
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4. What problems does Brian face after he kills the moose? How does he solve these problems?

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# CHAPTERS 11-12

❖ Quickwrite: What are some activities you like to do in the winter?

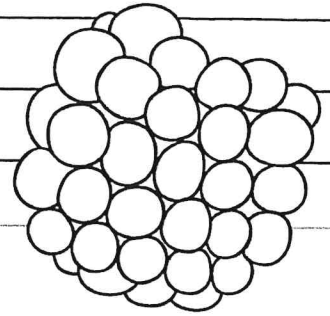
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❖ Multiple Choice: Choose the best answers.

1. From what material does Brian craft mittens?
  - a. Moose hide
  - b. Deer hide
  - c. Bear fur
  - d. Bird feathers
2. What noise does Brian hear right at the end of Chapter 12?
  - a. A plane
  - b. A boat
  - c. A gunshot
  - d. A yell

❖ Sequencing: Put the following statements in chronological order, using the numbers 1-5.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian thinks about all the things he is thankful for.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian finishes his Thanksgiving dinner.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian gathers some bright red berries.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brian fashions a moose-hide parka.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It rains steadily for 8 solid days.

❖ Character Analysis: What are some things that Brian longs for in these chapters?

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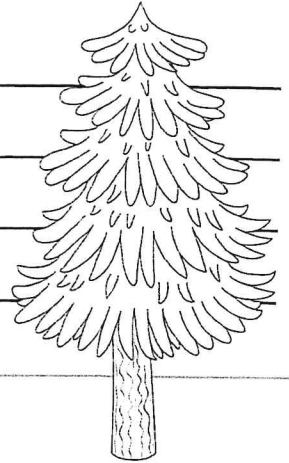
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# CHAPTERS 13-14

- ❖ **Quickwrite:** Write about a time you had a problem and had to think of a solution. Did you come up with one? Did it help?



- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

1. What animal makes Brian think of making snowshoes?
  - a. Moose
  - b. Rabbit
  - c. Fox
  - d. Wolf
2. What is causing the gunshot sounds?
  - a. A hunter
  - b. Animals
  - c. Trees
  - d. The lake thawing

- ❖ **True or False:** Write T for True and F for False.

1. Brian calls out to whoever is making the gunshot noises. \_\_\_\_
2. Brian encounters a problem when the snow keeps getting into his boots. \_\_\_\_
3. Brian makes snowshoes out of his sleeping bag. \_\_\_\_
4. Brian realizes he is low on meat. \_\_\_\_
5. Brian smiles at how funny his snowshoes look. \_\_\_\_

- ❖ **Asking and Answering:** Think of two questions and their accompanying answers about the text you just read.

Questions	Answers

# CHAPTERS 15-16

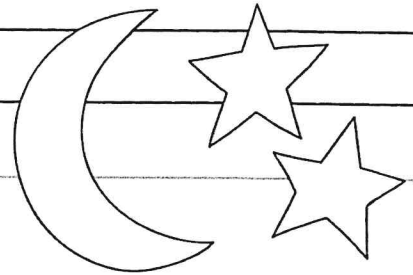
- ❖ **Quickwrite:** Write about a wild animal that is interesting to you. What intrigues you about this animal?

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- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

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| 1. Who kills the moose in these chapters? | 2. What animal does Brian kill in these chapters? |
| a. A buck                                 | a. A wolf   |
| b. Wolves                                 | b. A buck   |
| c. Brian                                  | c. A mountain lion                                |
| d. Coyotes                                | d. A porcupine                                    |

- ❖ **True or False:** Write T for True and F for False.

1. Brian is bothered whenever he must kill an animal. \_\_\_\_
2. Brian watches a moose in these chapters. \_\_\_\_
3. Brian enjoys winter because there aren't any mosquitoes. \_\_\_\_
4. Brian spends a night away from his shelter. \_\_\_\_
5. Brian runs out of food. \_\_\_\_

- ❖ **Figurative Language:** Write an example of figurative language from these chapters below. Then, identify the type of figurative language and write what you think it means.

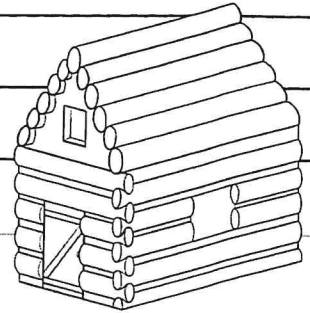
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# CHAPTER 17 & EPILOGUE

- ❖ **Quickwrite:** Write about a time that you met somebody that became important to you.



- ❖ **Multiple Choice:** Choose the best answers.

1. What does Brian first spot that is out of place and unnatural?
  - a. A domestic cat
  - b. A log cabin
  - c. A straight line
  - d. A canoe
2. Who does Brian meet in these chapters?
  - a. A couple hikers
  - b. A family of trappers
  - c. A stranded person
  - d. A skier

- ❖ **True or False:** Write T for True and F for False.

1. Brian smells smoke that is not his own. \_\_\_\_
2. The people that Brian meets are not very friendly. \_\_\_\_
3. Brian hesitates to board the plane. \_\_\_\_
4. Brian feels that he cannot share his story with the people he meets. \_\_\_\_
5. David has two children. \_\_\_\_

- ❖ **Opinion Writing:** Do you like or dislike the ending to the story? Explain.



❖ Comprehension & Analysis: Answer in complete sentences.

1. In detail, explain how Brian encounters the Smallhorn family.

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2. Describe the Smallhorn family.

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3. Why does Brian have mixed feelings as he leaves?

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4. What emotions did you feel as you read Chapter 17 and the Epilogue? Explain.

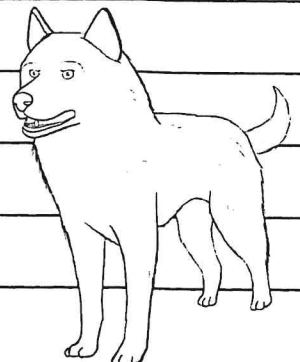
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**Glossary:** As you read, record any new or uncommon words, the sentence in which the word is used, and the word's definition, in the table below. **Aim for about one word per chapter.**

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