

English 7  
Summer Reading Assignment  
2021

**Assignment:**

- Read *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen (part of the *Hatchet* series).
- Answer all of the Short Answer and Open-Response Questions in complete sentences.
- Return this packet with your completed answers on the second day of school.

**Short Answer Section**

*Directions: Answer all of the following questions in at least two complete sentences. Include your answers on another sheet of paper.*

1. The beginning of chapter 2 provides a description of what Brian is going through. How does he handle the emergency?
2. The author mentions that Brian hears screaming as the plane crashes. Who does he hear screaming? Use information from the text to support your answer.
3. Brian thinks of his English teacher Mr. Perpich in chapter 5. Why do you think he think Mr. Perpich comes to his mind? What was Mr. Perpich's best piece of for Brian right now?
4. After looking into the calm water and seeing his reflection Brian slaps the water with his hand in chapter 7. Why does he do this?
5. Who is Brian's "hungry" friend? Use evidence from the text to support your inference.
6. How does the author make the audience aware of Brian's appreciation for the new food? Use examples from the text in chapter 15.
7. The author uses great descriptive language to describe the beautiful surroundings that Brian is in chapter 17. What were some of the descriptions that helped the audience visualize his surroundings?

**Open-Response Section**

*Directions: Answer the following question in at least a paragraph (at least 5 sentences with an introductory sentence, supporting detail sentences, and a concluding sentence). Include support for your opinions. Write your answers on another sheet of paper.*

1. Brian changes throughout the course of the novel in many ways; he adapts and develops skills to help him survive his circumstances. Describe at least three ways in which he changes, adapts, and develops throughout the novel. Then, explain how these changes are significant to his character and survival.