***Hatchet* for your Learning Style: Activities Engaging Your Whole Brain**

These different activities will help you remember main events and characters by engaging different types of intelligence or different areas of the brain.

Choose two of the following activities to complete. Reference your multiple intelligence survey and chart for guidance as to which two to try.

* **Spatial intelligence:**Create a cartoon about Brian's most challenging day. Spatial intelligence has to do with pictures. You can explore the novel *Hatchet* by making a story chart or cartoon. You could show Brian learning to make a fire through pictures.
* **Intrapersonal intelligence:**When using multiple intelligences, this one is about self-reflection. One common comprehension skill is being able to make a personal connection to people and events in a novel. Since Brian is the only character in most of the novel *Hatchet*, he does a lot of self-reflection. Some of the *Hatchet*themes revolve around this self-reflection. An activity you can do is create a Venn Diagram comparing yourself to Brian in the novel. Maybe you have had family problems like Brian. Maybe you know how to do many things in the wilderness like he does. Think about external and internal ways to compare yourself to Brian when creating a Venn Diagram.
* **Interpersonal intelligence:**Discuss *Hatchet*themes, problems, and events with other people. Create a survey--should Brian tell his father about his mother's relationship? What do you think? Does he do the right thing? What other issues should be discussed throughout the novel? Do people have differing opinions? Discuss these and use events from the novel *Hatchet*to back up your opinion.
* **Naturalist intelligence:**When using multiple intelligences, this one is often overlooked. However, *Hatchet*themes definitely explore the [natural](http://www.brighthubeducation.com/homework-help-literature/57455-hatchet-by-gary-paulsen-book-activities/) world and survival in it, so this is a great time to focus on this intelligence. How does Brian use his natural world to survive? Can you think of any other things he could have done with nature to make his life easiser? How does his experience in the wilderness compare with one that you have had while camping? Can you do an experiment outside in building a shelter or finding edible plants?

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