

Hatchet

Chapter 13

Discussion & Symbolism

In this chapter we learn what Brian did after the plane was out of sight and he knew it was not coming for him. Paraphrase what Brian did after the plane left.

After waking up and finding himself “still there”, how does Brian change? What does he vow to never let happen to him? (Reread pages 122-123)

At the end of this chapter, we find that Brian has a new motivation. It used to be a rescue that motivated him. What is his new hope and motivation?

Symbolism

A symbol is something that stands for something else, like the American flag stands for freedom, and a dove represents peace. It is any object, person, place, or experience that means more than what it is.

A literary symbol has literal meaning in a story but stands for something else.

If something is symbolic, it will most likely

- Be repeated in the book
- Be written in a memorable or vivid way
- Be emphasized with imagery
- Mean something else than what it is

What might the wolf symbolize in this chapter?

Look back at pages 120-121 to help you answer this question.
