

# HATCHET ~ CHAPTERS 11-12

**Plot Element:** Rising Action

**Instructions:** Read chapters 11-12 and then complete each section below. Prompts are in color, respond in the white sections.

**Rising Action:** From the conflict to the climax, the rising action in the book creates complications for Brian as the story progresses. Document each of the main complications he has experience from chapters 11-12

Document each main step in the rising action leading to the climax.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li><li>•</li><li>•</li></ul>
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**Vocabulary:** read the sentence from the text, define the underlined word in your own words using context clues. Then use an online dictionary to provide the standard definition of the word as it is used in the sentence.

1. "On top of the rock a snaggly pine had somehow found food and grown, bent and <u>gnarled</u> " (p. 107).	
Based on the usage in the text I think <u>gnarled</u> means:	
Standard definition	
2. "He had no hooks or string but if he could somehow <u>lure</u> them into the shallows, he might be able to strike fast enough to get one"(p. 108).	
Based on the usage in the text I think <u>lure</u> means:	
Standard definition	
3. "He stood outside the shelter and <u>hefted</u> the spear" (p. 111).	
Based on the usage in the text I think <u>hefted</u> means:	
Standard definition	
4. "It was <u>abrupt</u> , as if the plane had turned" (p. 116).	
Based on the usage in the text I think <u>abrupt</u> means:	
Standard definition	

**Comprehension Check:** Respond in complete sentences to each prompt.

1. Brian tells himself, that self pity does not work. Explain what he meant by this statement?	
2. Brian tries to stay busy, what is the purpose behind this?	
3. What is Brian's plan when the searchers fly over his camp?	
4. Brian attempts to make a spear. Is he ever successful? Describe the events. What would you have done differently?	
5. At the end of this chapter Brian begins to feel hopeless. Why does this happen?	