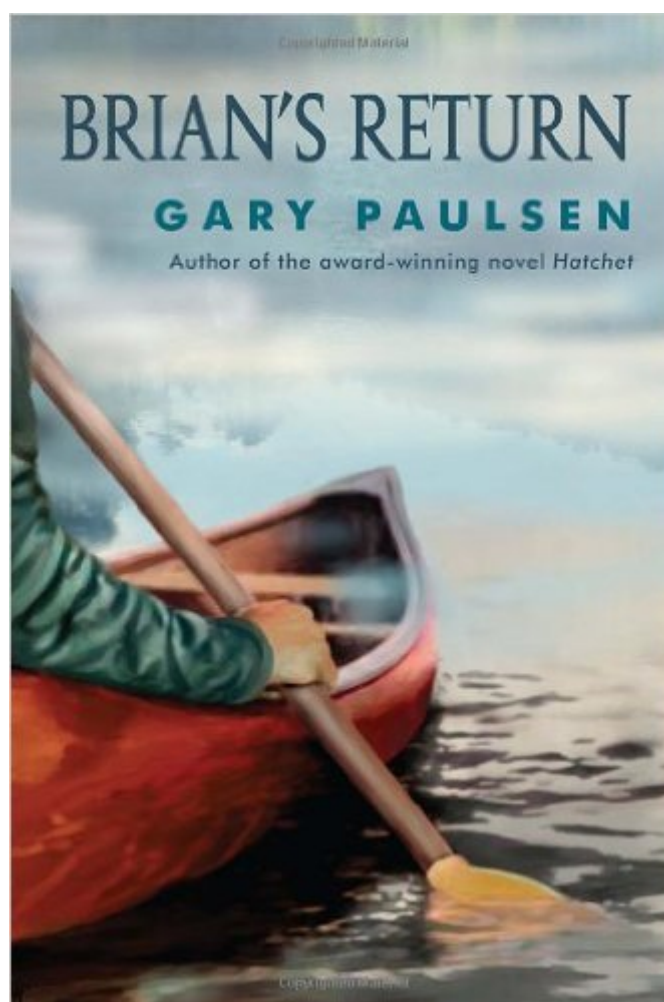


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# Brian's Return (A Hatchet Adventure)



## Synopsis

As millions of readers of *Hatchet*, *The River*, and *Brian's Winter* know, Brian Robeson survived alone in the wilderness by finding solutions to extraordinary challenges. But now that he's back in civilization, he can't find a way to make sense of high school life. He feels disconnected, more isolated than he did alone in the North. The only answer is to return-to "go back in"-for only in the wilderness can Brian discover his true path in life, and where he belongs.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Review - The Brain Sagas by Gary PaulsenI have now finished all five of the Brian Sage books - *Hatchet*, *The River*, *Brian's Winter*, *Brian's Return* and *The Hunt* and the epilogue *Guts* by Gary Paulsen. *The Hatchet* is one of three Newberry Awards that Gary Paulsen has earned. Basically the series is one story. The story of an teenage boy who at age 13 is left alone in the North Woods of Canada due to a pilot's fatal heart attack and plane wreck. The first book, *The Hatchet* tells of the guts, intelligence, patience and luck of a 13 year old boy with little wilderness experience in learning how to live and survive in a remote wilderness. We get a marvelous set of instructions in wilderness lore and living, and a glimpse into

an intelligent mind that problem solves, learns and masters a strange world. At the end of this book Brian retrieves a signal radio from the submerged plane and is rescued. In *Brian's Winter* is an alternate ending. Brian is not rescued, but manages to learn more and survive into December. We see more of Brian's talents and abilities and new found skills. Here, Brian stumbles into a family of Cree Native Americans manning a trap line, who take him in. Brian flies out on the next supply plane. The Cree family consider him like one of the "old people" for Brian is dressed in skins he has captured and his arrows have stone points he has made himself. Yes, some of the story is very fortuitous for Brian, but that does not distract from the lessons of the wilderness and the lessons of life Brian has to learn to survive. *The River* is a book with Brian returning to the North Woods with a psychologist, Derek, of the military attempting to learn how to teach survival to the military.

The book *Brian's Return* is a very good book. It's interesting and no matter where you stop reading you can tell something good is coming up next. It's not a high reading level so it's easier to understand. The author explains every thing throw and it's not really at a high reading level. *Brian's Return* is the last book in a series. The first book was called *Hatchet*, second was *The River*, third was *Brian's Winter*, and then *Brian's Return*. *Hatchet* was about when it all started. Brian was flying on a single engine plane to see his dad up North. The pilot had a heart attack and the plane went down in a lake in the middle of the wilderness. He had to learn how to survive alone in the wilderness with only a hatchet for fifty-four days. In *The River*, the government asked Brian to go back to the wilderness and show astronauts and the military his survival techniques that kept him alive. Derek Holtzer went with him to observe him and take notes. But during a storm, Derek was hit by lightning and falls into a coma. Brian builds a raft a tries to transport Derek to the nearest town down the river for medical help. *Brian's Winter* is a little different, it takes after *Hatchet*. The author made it that what if Brian didn't get rescued and had to make it through the winter. The stakes were raised for survival. Brian had the longest winter ever. Finally, *Brian's Return*. Brian was rescued every time before and brought back to his mom in the city. After everything Brian has gone through he has to try to fit back in with the city life. He had to get used to the tv, stove, microwave, grocery store, noisy vehicles, and everything else that he had learned to live with out. He started school again and tried to make friends and hang out, but he doesn't feel that he fits in.

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