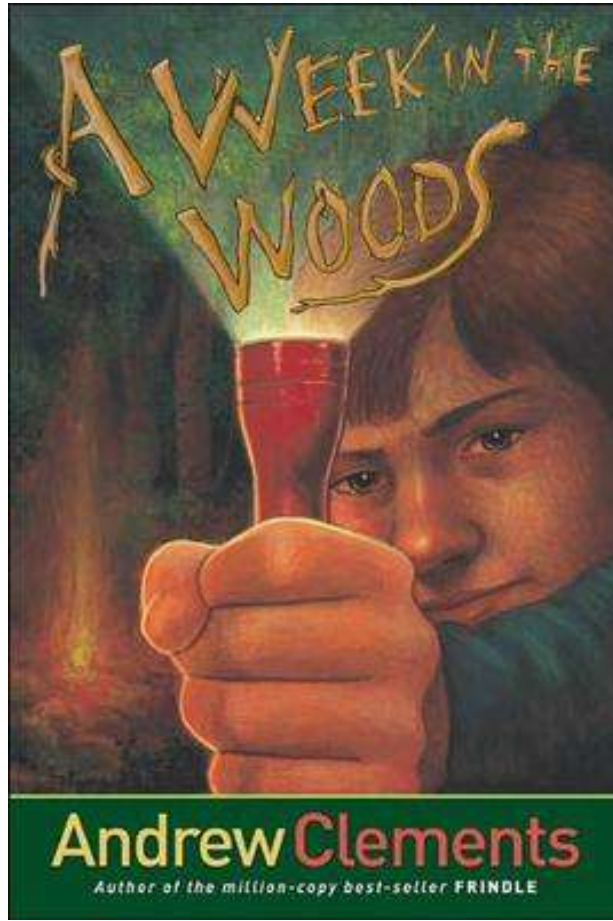


# A Week in the Woods

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About two hundred and seventy miles south and west of Whitson, New Hampshire, something was happening.



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## Reading Assignment

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Chapters 1-6	Questions 1-10	
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## Chapters 1-6 Questions

1. What is the fifth grade tradition at Hardy Elementary School?
2. How long has Mr. Maxwell been in charge of the Week in the Woods program?
3. Who are Leon and Anya?
4. What did Mark do before he left the Scarsdale house?
5. Describe Mark's new house.
6. What opinion of Mark does Mr. Maxwell form?
7. What was the one thing Mark liked about Hardy Elementary School?
8. Why does Mark not care too much about Hardy Elementary? Where is he going next year?
9. How does Mark behave during class?
10. Why did Mr. Maxwell's experiment about the Hindenburg fall flat?

**Discussion Question:** What do the teachers and students at the elementary school in Whitson think of Mark at the beginning of the story? List some reasons for the impressions they have of him. Are their impressions correct?

## Chapters 7-12 Questions

1. What did Mark ask when Mr. Maxwell told him about A Week in the Woods?
2. What does Leon teach Mark?
3. Mark is excited to get home from school and explore. Where is he exploring?
4. What does Mark learn during his first two weeks? (page 63)
5. For the first time in his life, Mark felt rich because he had - - -,
6. Where does Mark spend the night?
7. What does Mark decide to do after thinking all night in the barn?
8. Was Mark successful at being a better student? Why or why not?
9. What was Mark's problem when he clicked on the REI website?
10. How much money did Mark spend on the REI website?

**Discussion Question:** If you had \$1,000 to spend on an outdoor activity what activity would it be? What items would you need to buy? Would you need more than \$1,000?

## Chapters 13-17

1. When Mr. Maxwell ignores Mark's hand, the only one in the air, Mark - - -,
2. When Mr. Maxwell sees Mark prepared, serious, and pulled together he hopes to get what from Mr. Maxwell?
3. Why does Mark wish he had thrown his camping supplies into an old suitcase?
4. Mr. Maxwell told Mark to pack up all of his stuff after Mr. Maxwell - - -,
5. What was going to be the punishment for Mark?
6. What does Mr. Maxwell and the ranger realize about the knife?
7. When Mr. Maxwell went to find Mark to apologize what does he discover?
8. Why did Mark take the blame for the knife?
9. What is Mark's plan to get out of the mess he is in?
10. What did Mr. Maxwell know about the side trail taken by Mark?

**Discussion Question:** Why does Mark really head out into the woods? What does he think he will prove? Is he making a good decision? What would you have done in his situation?

## Chapters 18-23 Questions

1. What does a log laid across a trailhead mean?
2. When Mark first heard Mr. Maxwell yelling his name, he - - -,
3. What tool does Mark use to try and signal Mr. Maxwell?
4. When Mark realizes he is lost what does he decide to do?
5. What was the main reason that Mark had trouble getting to sleep?
6. Who finds Mark at his campsite?
7. What happened to Mr. Maxwell?
8. Discuss Mr. Maxwell's apology.
9. Why does Mr. Maxwell give Mark Jason's multitool?
10. After A Week in the Woods, Mark told his parents that he - - -,

**Discussion Question:** How do Mr. Maxwell and Mark make it back to the campground? What have they learned about each other in the course of their ordeal?