

CCSS Journal Assignment Lost and Rescued Journal

In the stories in *Surviving in the Wilderness*, *Surviving in Cold Places*, and *Surviving in Wild Waters*, people faced days, weeks, or even years alone. They had to find food and make shelters until they were rescued. Imagine you are lost, either on your own or with a friend. You have a notebook and a pen, so you decide to record what happens. Write three journal entries about your survival experience.

In your first journal entry, explain how you got lost. Answer the following questions:

- Where are you? Describe the environment.
- What time of year is it?
- How did you get lost?
- What do you have with you?
- Do you have any injuries?

For the next entry, describe your time in the wilderness or on the water. Include details about the following questions:

- How do you find or make drinkable water?
- What do you eat, and how do you find your food?
- What do you do to pass the time?
- Who are you hoping will rescue you? How close are you to people?

For your last entry, write about your rescue. Consider the following questions:

- Who found you?
- How did they find you?
- Where did you go after the rescue?
- What are you looking forward to doing now that you've been found?

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This assignment addresses the following Common Core State Standards:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.5.3

Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.5.4

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.5.10

Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

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