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One Day In The Woods
Synopsis

An intrepid explorer, young Rebecca ventures into the forest in search of an ovenbird, a warbler reputed to be the wizard of the woods. Readers follow Rebecca’s progress through the day discovering the secrets of the spring foliage and learning much about the temperate forest and its inhabitants. —BL.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Jean Craighead George, author of nearly one hundred novels, picture books, novellas, guides, and stories about nature, presents a story of the perfect length about our most familiar ecosystem, the woods. Ms. George does a terrific job of placing readers in the feet of her main character, a young girl named Rebecca (Ms. George's granddaughter and perhaps the same Rebecca from her picture book DEAR REBECCA, WINTER IS HERE). One beautiful spring morning, Rebecca takes a trip out to the woods near her home to search for a rare and remarkable bird, the ovenbird, which her uncle tells her is a real natural wizard. While Rebecca searches for this wonder of the woods, she finds lots of other incredible creatures—owls, flying squirrels, deer, ducks, and a skunk—and even runs
into danger and excitement. Fine descriptions, fondly and accurately written, make birds a lot of us see every day--towhees, robins, and cardinals--all the more special and important, as Ms. George’s admiration for even the smallest things in nature is evident. And when Rebecca finds the ovenbird wizard, it really is an eye-opener. The illustrations are woodsy and a nice companion to Ms. George’s words. This is a great story for anyone who loves nature and the special words of the author of JULIE OF THE WOLVES and MY SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN.

I am perplexed as to why Jean Craighead George and her books are not recommended more by American schools, both public and private. I regularly see references to authors like E. B. White, Christopher Paul Curtis and Gary Paulsen -- and yes they are all fine authors -- but Jean Craighead George is so rarely mentioned that until recently I thought her only note-worthy book was Julie of the Wolves. Boy was I wrong! Not only was she far more prolific in her publication of youth novels than any of these authors, I have yet to encounter a book of hers I wouldn’t recommend! Her writing is an American treasure and a heritage which deserves to be passed down to each forthcoming generation. We are homeschooling for the first time ever this year -- 5th and 7th grade -- and even though the target audience for this book is 4th grade, it still had a wealth of information to teach each of us as we were studying deciduous forest biomes/ecosystems. I especially love the way she urges readers to be awed by nature and its amazing attributes. White-tailed deer seem to disappear the moment they put their white tails down, since the rest of their bodies blend in seamlessly with the background in a stunning feat of camouflage; baby ducklings fall 40 feet from their nest but land unharmed because of the design of their bodies, etc. An awesome and highly recommended read for nature lovers of all ages.

This series was something I read when I was young. I loved them and recommended them for younger kids. They will like the whole series!! Also try the Magic Treehouse and the Baily School kids as well They're older but GOOD!

I have to say, I love this author’s books. I have not read one I did not like thus far. The kids really enjoy them. We just began her Eco series and found the books interesting for me and for my children. They learned a lot too!

One Day in the Woods and One Day in the Tropical Rain Forest are both books by Jean Craighead George. They are both about kids who are looking for something. They both take place out in the
wilderness. If you need some interesting facts about animals, this is the book for you. One Day in the Tropical Rain Forest is about a boy and a doctor looking for an unnamed butterfly so they can save the rain forest from 11 bulldozers and 4 trucks, will they do it in time? One Day in the Woods is about a girl trying to find a wizard in the Teatown Woods. Will she do it? I hope you enjoy these two books.

If you like danger and adventure you should read this book. It is about a girl who goes into the woods to find a bird that is suppose to possess mysterious powers. Some other books written by Jean Craig head George are- one day on the Alpine Tundra and- Julie of the Wolves

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