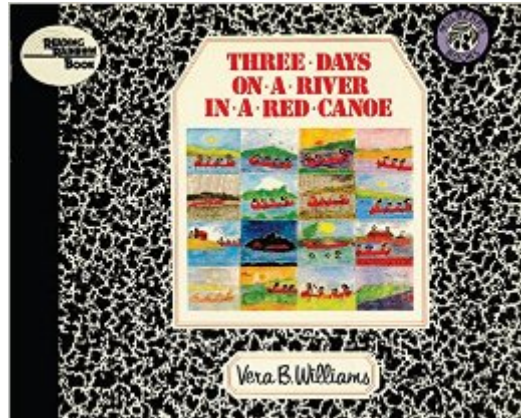


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# Three Days On A River In A Red Canoe (Reading Rainbow Books)



## Synopsis

Follow the red canoe from page to page as it journeys down river carrying the family on a camping tour. It's the next best thing to paddling it yourself.

## Book Information

Lexile Measure: AD560L (What's this?)

Series: Reading Rainbow Books

Paperback: 32 pages

Publisher: Greenwillow Books; Reprint edition (August 1, 1984)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0688040721

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Product Dimensions: 9.9 x 8 inches

Shipping Weight: 4.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (13 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 4

## Customer Reviews

We used this book as a spring board for an environmental unit. We planned mapping, canoe safety, first aide safety, camping and landforms. We also planned a field trip to a local park with a creek and set up stations that involved the different aspects of the book. We used newspaper ads and had the children decide what would be needed for a canoe trip and tied it in with math, teaching money. This was a great book.

In first grade my daughter's school had a "Blue Book Bag" program: each week the students brought home a different book and a journal in a blue book bag. This was my favorite book of the year (I am a kindergarten teacher and was an English major, if that holds any weight). There is something charming and dreamy about *Three Days on a River in a Red Canoe*, which is a child's journal of a canoe trip. It was so easy to slip into the joyous adventure of the journey--feeling the heat of the afternoon, the beauty of the jumping fish, the quiet damp of the mist. The relationships

between the adults and children implied a long history of love and confidence in each other. In addition, the book has text in unexpected places, so it is visually fun. There are a couple of recipes as part of the narrative and directions on how to tie a Two-Half Hitch knot, so you if you and your children really love the book, you can extend the experience. In the Accelerated Reader program, this book is third grade level, but my preschool daughter also liked it very much, so it can appeal to a wide range of ages (maybe 4-9?) Mother's Day is this Sunday, and I have told my girls that for Mother's Day I want a red canoe--or at least a hardback copy of this book.

One of my all time favorites. Evokes vivid memories of watching Reading Rainbow when I was a kid and then going to our local library to find the show's books. This story is timeless. My kids (boys and girls) love it as much as I do. It is a sweet story, with just the right amount of detail and drama/excitement. Inspires me to hit the river!

My parents read this to me as a child and I was excited to read it to my daughter, too. She's only 2-and-a-half, but she loves to look at the pictures and hear about the camping trip. I grew up canoe-camping, and hope to take my daughter someday, so this is a very special book to me. It reminds me of lots of our family trips!

I love Vera's writing in this story! It is a wonderful tale of an exciting trip down the river in a red canoe. What child wouldn't love to take a trip like this with their family. Not everything goes so smoothly but of course in the end they arrive at the destination. There is a storm and a canoe upset but everything turns out right. The illustrations are fabulous!! There is so much detail . Each page is filled with : supplies they took on the canoe trip, cooking on the trip- even some recipes! Also we have detailed illustrations of all the wildlife they see along the way. I can read this over and over and never get tired of this story and the illustrations!

For kids (and their parents) looking for adventure and inspiration-- this story is incredibly approachable and a favorite among kids and adults alike. The family comes across a canoe at a garage sale, puts their money together, and decides to GO! Inspiring family adventure reminding us to just go for it.

This is a sweet little book that should be snatched up by anyone who goes canoeing with children. It would have similar appeal to people who enjoy camping with children. The book makes both

activities seem fun and exciting, despite the hardships that come along. The art is weak and there are a few labored sections, but as a whole the book hangs together in a lovely way.

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