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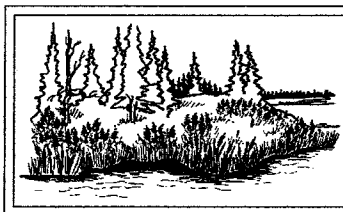
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Creative Writing

Activity One

Del had many experiences while guarding True Son.

Pretend that you are Dell and write a journal entry describing one of his experiences.



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Activity Two

True Son, the Indians (Natives) and the white settlers had many fears.

What was their way of dealing with these fears?

How do you deal with your fears?

Write a paragraph comparing and contrasting the ways you and a character from the novel deal with fears.

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Activity Three

True Son was so homesick that he became physically ill.

Write about a time that you experienced loneliness or homesickness.

Tell how you dealt with the feeling.

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Activity Four

What kind of person do you think True Son grew up to be?

Write about what you think he was like and what he was doing at age twenty-five.



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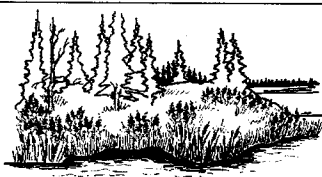
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Activity Five

Conrad Richter does not give a title to any of the chapters in this novel.

Write a title for each chapter which expresses what you believe to be the main idea of each one.



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Activity Six

What is the significance of the title of the novel "The Light in the Forest"?

Can you think of a better title?

Rename the novel and write a paragraph explaining your choice.

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Activity Seven

Half-Arrow and True Son spent a lot of time in the forest on their own.

What skills did they have that enabled them to do this?

Would you be able to survive as they did?

Write a paragraph explaining why or why not.

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Creative Writing

Activity Eight

Make up a poem about one of the characters in the novel.

Your poem could be an acrostic, a cinquain or one that has rhyming endings.

Use your imagination and interesting, descriptive words.