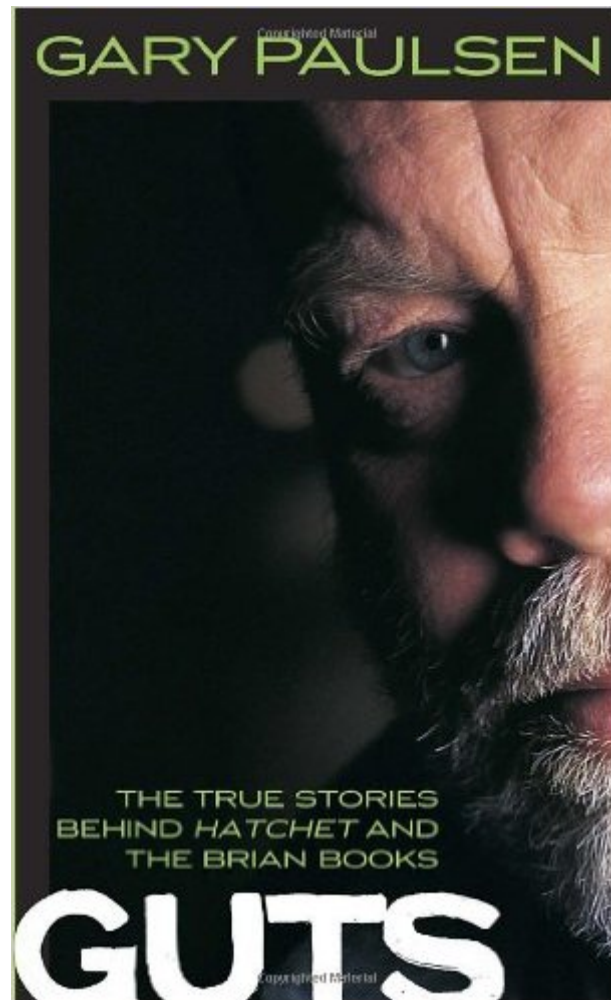


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# Guts



## Synopsis

Guess what -- Gary Paulsen was being kind to Brian. In *Guts*, Gary tells the real stories behind the Brian books, the stories of the adventures that inspired him to write Brian Robeson's story: working as an emergency volunteer; the death that inspired the pilot's death in *Hatchet*; plane crashes he has seen and near-misses of his own. He describes how he made his own bows and arrows, and takes readers on his first hunting trips, showing the wonder and solace of nature along with his hilarious mishaps and mistakes. He shares special memories, such as the night he attracted every mosquito in the county, or how he met the moose with a sense of humor, and the moose who made it personal. There's a handy chapter on "Eating Eyeballs and Guts or Starving: The Fine Art of Wilderness Nutrition." Recipes included. Readers may wonder how Gary Paulsen survived to write all of his books -- well, it took guts. From the Hardcover edition.

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-----Guts: The True Story Behind Delacorte Press, 2001, 148 PP,... Hatchet and the Brian Books. ISBN: 0-385-32650-5 Gary Paulsen BOOK REVIEW Ever been attacked by a deer, or a moose? Well, Gary Paulsen has, and in *Guts*, Gary Paulsen talks about how he got the idea for

Hatchet and the Brian Books. He tells about how he has spent a good portion of his life roughing it out in the woods and in the snow-covered regions of Alaska. Also in guts, there are many violent or not so violent scenarios that the author has experienced that played a role in the books. For example, one of them might be moose attacks. I though Gary Paulsen's experiences in the book were very interesting, how it inspired a major part of the story and all. I enjoyed reading this book; the stories in it were very interesting. The areas of the stories were mostly in woods, parks, or lowly populated areas. One story in guts tells how Gary Paulsen witnessed a child being killed by a deer. A 4-year-old child was giving a deer a piece of candy. His mother asked him to hold the candy away from the deer for a minute to get a good picture. This angered the deer, and he stomped his hoofs into the boy's chest. The impact of the attack was great; the child was killed in an instant. Everyone around looked at the deer, now in an angry rage. Not too far away, there was a sign that said do not feed the deer. I highly recommend this book for people 10 and up, who are interested in stories involving the woods, attacks, and even cooking methods. I rate this book a 9 out of 10.

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