

MEET LYNN



Lynn is a word player, kids book author, teaching author, and school lover. She grew up in Skowhegan, has Franco-American roots in Aroostook County and currently lives in Winthrop, Maine. An accomplished author, Lynn has written 34 books for children including, "Maxi's Secret (or what you can learn from a dog)," the Maine Student Book Award winner for 2017/18.

She says of her creativity, "Thousands of ideas ricocheting around in one's brain make for many a sleepless night," - which is why she likes to keep a notebook handy. She is also a reader. Her advice to aspiring writers is to read. "If you want to write, you've gotta read, read, read, and then read some more. Her favorite book of all time is, "Charlotte's Web," by E. B. White.

Lost Trail: Nine Days Alone in the Wilderness

LET'S TALK

Imagine this story in reverse; a country kid gets lost in a big city. How do you think that might play out? Would it be easier or more difficult? What would be scary about it? What would the city version of “Pamola” be? If not a moose or a bear, what intriguing creature or thing might a young person have encountered in NYC in 1939?

On page 56 in the newspaper clipping it reads, “Word went out for searchers to watch for increased sightings of crows, as they likely would lead searchers to the boy’s body.” Why would they say this?

Mount Katahdin has claimed numerous lives whether from poor planning, poor decisions, or general misfortune. What kind of preparations are necessary to hike Katahdin? You can find out here: [HTTPS://BAXTERSTATEPARK.ORG](https://baxterstatepark.org)

Percival P. Baxter had a vision to protect the land that makes up Baxter State Park for the people of Maine to enjoy for eternity. Who are other visionaries who have created similar protected areas in Maine? Does this kind of land protection ever spark controversy? Why? Do you think it is a worthwhile endeavor?

LET'S CREATE

Read this article on the elements of storyboarding then create your own. Try taking a basic and familiar story and plotting out the elements on a story board for practice. There are some printable templates to choose from below.

[HTTP://WWW.MAKINGCOMICS.COM/2014/02/05/ANATOMY-STORYBOARD-PART-1-TERMS-TECHNIQUES/](http://www.makingcomics.com/2014/02/05/anatomy-storyboard-part-1-terms-techniques/)

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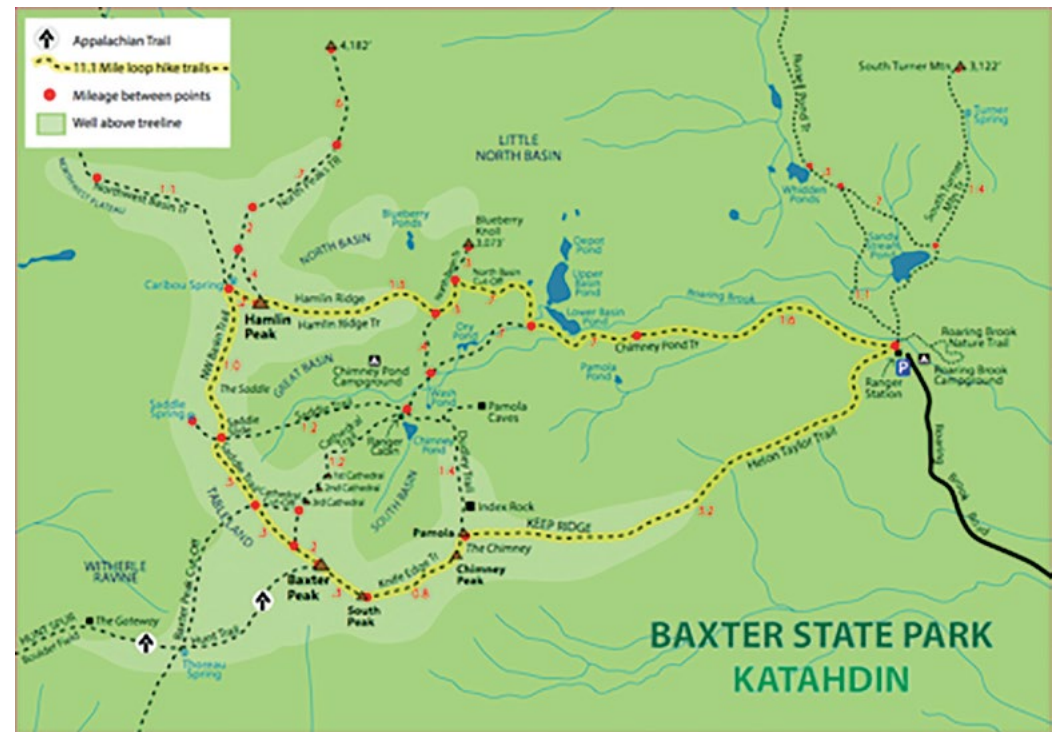
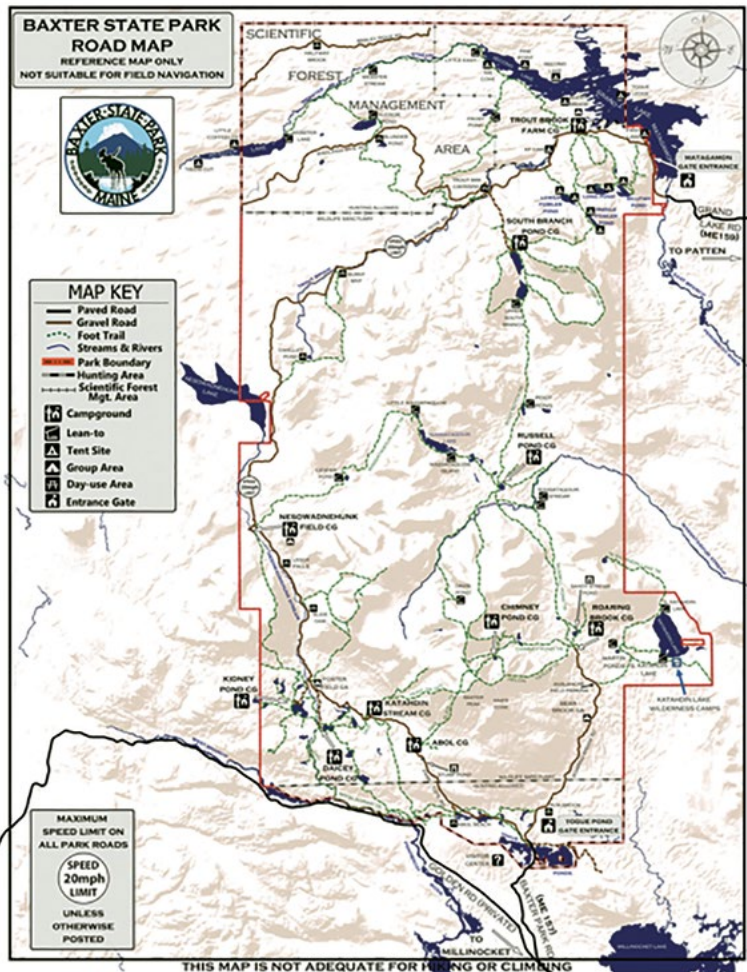
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LET'S CREATE (continued)

Using these maps try to map out Donn's trail:

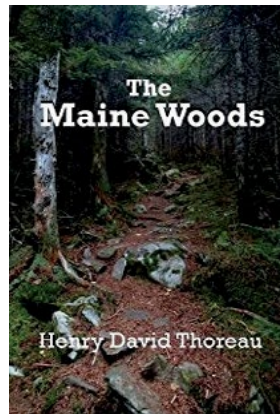
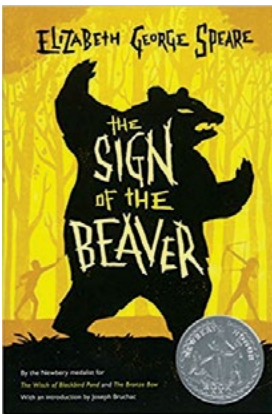
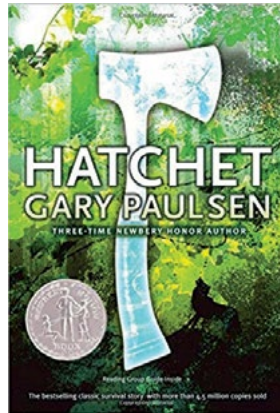
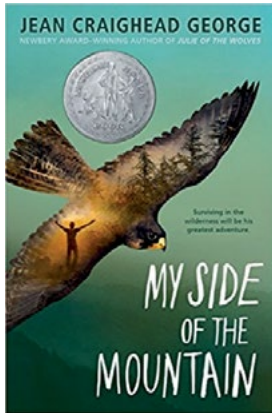
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TEXT TO TEXT CONNECTIONS



My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighorn George

Hatchet by Gary Paulson

The Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare

The Maine Woods by Henry David Thoreau

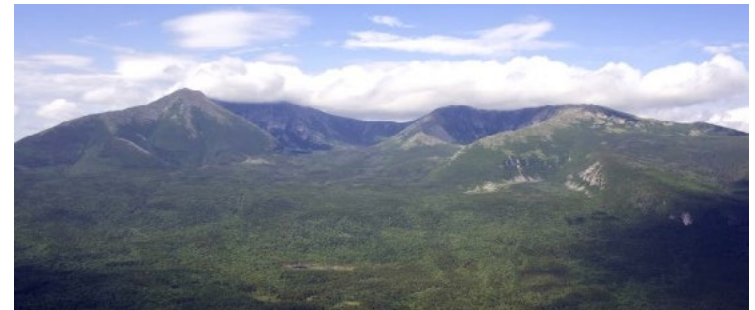
ONLINE CONNECTIONS

Film project:



[HTTP://WWW.LOSTONAMOUNTAININMAINEFILM.COM](http://www.lostonamountaininmainefilm.com)

How Maine mountains got their names:



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