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The Sign of the Beaver
By: Elizabeth George Speare

The Sign of the Beaver, by Elizabeth George Speare is a touching novel. This story takes place between the creek near Matt's cabin, the forest beyond his cabin, the home of Matt's Indian friend, A ttean, and Matt's cabin, in Maine of 1768.

The author describes the character mainly by how they look. For example, when Ben came into the story, "heavysset", "fat", and "face almost invisible" were only some of the description of this jolly giant.

In 1768, Matt and his father plan out their future life in Maine. Now, with the cabin all built, and crops all planted, all they have to do is pick up their family back in Massachusetts. While his father is away, Matt is left to guard their family's cabin, and has some adventures of his own at home. Time flies, and as Matt meets and befriends an Indian boy, he is asked to join their tribe, and stop waiting for his late family.

Will Matt's family ever arrive?! Will Matt keep waiting, or will he join the Indian tribe? Find the answer to all these questions in The Sign of the Beaver.

I liked this book because it is realistic, and things like these happen. But when I say that, I don't mean that your family will abandon you, and you will be asked to join an Indian tribe. What I mean is that time after time, you will have to make a hard decision. I would recommend this book to older kids because there is some gory and action in this book, and little kids might get a bad influence. Overall, it was a great book, and I would rate this book three stars out of five stars.