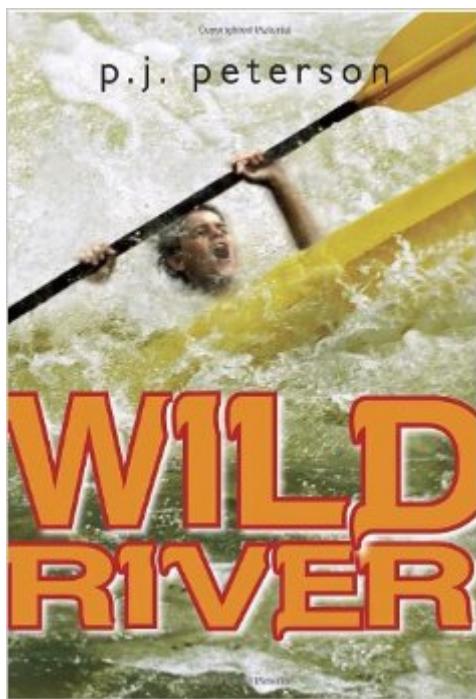


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# Wild River



## **Synopsis**

When twelve-year-old Ryan reluctantly agrees to join his experienced older brother, Tanner, on a camping trip, he never dreams that it will turn into the most frightening day of his life. Ryan admits he's no good at sports or outdoor stuff. He'd much rather be playing video games. But Tanner assures him it will be an easy trip. They'll kayak down the Boulder River, fish, and toast marshmallows at night. When they set out, the river is higher than usual, and the kayaking is scary. Tanner keeps saying there's no reason to worry. But when he's badly hurt in a kayaking accident, Ryan is afraid he's not up to the challenge of saving his brother's life. The only danger Ryan has confronted has been in his video games. What good are those games now, when he's facing a real-life battle?

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## **Customer Reviews**

P.J. Petersen. Wild River. New York: Random House Inc., 2009, 120 pages. This realistic fiction book tells the nail-biting story of two brothers that face some crazy situations. The story is set in the summer, at the Boulder River where almost the entire story is staged. This story is written to entertain, and by all means, it does. The short chapters and detailed writing makes this book an interesting and fun read. Also, the songs that Ryan sings throughout the book offer a comic relief to

such a serious plot. The main characters, the two brothers are complete opposites, the older brother, Tanner being the outdoorsy guyâ€¢s guy and his younger brother Ryan as the quiet computer and video game nerd. Tanner is well known, popular, known as a local hero for saving a man from a burning house, always doing the right thing, and able to somehow always get his way. While Tanner is quiet, mink, and enjoys spending time gaming and avoiding any outdoor event. Tanner was able to talk his brother into going on a kayak and fishing trip despite all of Ryanâ€¢s attempts to avoid going. Little did they know they would be faced with a life altering situation. Within the first few hours of being alone on the Boulder River, something horrible happens. The kayak meets a jagged log and the brothers are thrown out of the kayak. The story goes on to explain how Tanner is knocked unconscious and itâ€¢s up to Tanner to help him! The audience is quite aware that itâ€¢s a problem that Ryan is in complete charge of taking care of Tanner, wanting to the roles to be switched because this is Tannerâ€¢s domain, not Ryanâ€¢s.

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