

Journal Entry

A **journal entry** describes your thoughts and experiences during a day in your life. It is part of a journal, recording daily events over a period of weeks, months, or years.

Day 2 on the River

Writer describes daily events.

Dad got up early this morning and had the water boiling before I was awake. I was really stiff and a little cold from sleeping on the ground. The oatmeal was delicious. Why does food taste so good when you're camping?

Transition words link events.

Paddling was easy until we got to a beaver dam. **Then** we had to haul the canoe through the woods to get around it. Dad says that's called portaging.

Writer shows feelings.

I could barely move when we got to camp this evening. **Now** that we've had supper, I'm feeling better. I'm sitting on the beach in the last light. The sunset was incredible! **Later**, we're going to roast marshmallows over a campfire. Yummy!