

# Title & Author :

Angry River by Ruskin Bond

## Introduction:

I chose Angry River by Ruskin Bond because I've always liked stories that are simple but still meaningful . I heard this one was short, so i thought it would be easy read, but it turned out to be more powerful than i expected . I was curious how the author would show a little girl dealing with huge natural disaster like a flood . I didn't expect it to be so emotional and adventurous.

## Summary :

This story is about the little girl named Sita who lives on a small island with her grandparents . Their life is very quiet and peaceful, surrounded by trees and the river . One day her grandfather leaves for town , and her grandmother suddenly falls ill. That's when a massive flood hits, and Sita is left alone to face it. The river , which was once calm, turns dangerous and scary.

To save herself, sita climbs a big peepal tree with her doll, Mumta . She spends a long time up there, waiting for the water to go down.Later , a boy named krishnan comes along in a boat and

helps her. He becomes an important part of her journey.

The book focuses on how brave and strong Sita is, even though she's just a child . It also shows how unpredictable nature can be. The themes of the book are courage , survival, and how people can stay strong even when everything around them is falling apart.

## Analysis & Opinion :

One of the best things about Angry river is how real and simple everything feels , Ruskin Bond's writing is not flashy or complicated , but it still hits hard emotionally . I really liked how the story stayed focused on Sita, showing her

courage even though she was scared and alone . The setting , especially the river and the tree, felt very alive, almost like characters themselves.

The part that really stood out to me was how Sita never gave up. Even when she was stuck in the tree with water all around her, she kept calm and waited . I also liked krishna's character he didn't have a big role , but his kindness made a difference . One of the most powerful lines was when Sita said, "I'm not afraid anymore", which showed how much she had grown . There was also a part where her grandfather told her that she had done well and he was proud of her, showing how much he believed in her

even though he wasn't there during the flood.

It i had to say what didn't work,maybe the ending felt a little too quick.I wanted to know more about what happened after the flood, especially with krishnan.Still , the overall message was strong about facing tough situations , growing through them, and finding help when you least expect it.

The book teaches us that strength doesn't always mean being loud or bold , it can also be quiet,patient,and brave,just like sita.

## Personal Connection:

Reading angry river made me think about how we often we take the calm moments in life for granted. Sita's story reminded me that everything can change so suddenly, and sometimes you just have to step up even when you don't feel ready. Her quite strength really inspired me. It made me realize that being brave does not always means fighting it can also mean staying calm, thinking clearly, and holding on when things are getting tough. The way Sita handled everything at such a young age kind of hit close to home. Sometimes, when life throws a problem, I tend to overthink or panic, but her story showed me that staying grounded helps more. The book also taught me that during

hard times, help can come from unexpected places, like how Krishan showed up out of nowhere.

One idiom that fits perfectly here is **“when the going gets tough, the tough get going,”** and Sita really lived that.

Another one would be **“keep a cool head,”** which is exactly what she did during the flood. This story honestly made me see problems differently not as something to fear, but something to deal with step by step.

## Conclusion:

I would recommend *Angry River* to everyone who enjoys short and meaningful stories with a combination of

adventure and emotion. It is especially great for teenagers because it shows that even young people can also be strong and independent. The writing of the story is simple, so it's easy to read, but the message stays with you. People who like nature based stories or survival themes would enjoy this . It's a small book with a big impact.