Little Hawk

Little Hawk was a Red Indian boy.

Long ago Little Hawk lived in North America. There were no schools for Red Indian boys so they never learned to read and write. But they did learn very important things for them. They learned how to hunt and how to catch fish. They learned how to shoot with a bow and arrow and how to make a canoe from the bark of birch trees.

One day little Hawk went off hunting on his own. He set off in his cante and paddled across the big lake near his home.



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When he reached the other side of the lake he dragged his canoe up on the bank.

As he went through the woods of birch trees he found the tracks of a deer. Little Hawk had learned how to follow the tracks of animals and he knew that the deer was quite close. He crept quietly along through the trees. Then he saw it.

Quietly he placed an arrow in his bow and pulled back the string. Zip! The arrow flew and the deer was shot dead. Little Hawk dragged it back to his canoe and took it back to his village.



Little Hawk in his birch bark canoe

"Well doné! "said the men of the tribé." That will maké a lot of meals for your family. The deer skin will maké a nice blanket for your little sister too."

That night as all the men of the tribe sat round their camp fire they sent for Little Hawk. "You shot your first deer today, Little Hawk. You hunted well, "they said. How proud Little Hawk was. He was even more proud when they said, that when the men next went hunting, Little Hawk could go with them.



Little Hawk's home