

Rafting the Kenai River

It was like we were driving for days. Finally we were there! We were there Alaska Rivers Company. We had to put on so many things like really bulky rain pants, humongous rain boots and tight life jackets. The life jackets were so tight it was suffocating like a hug from my little sister.

“Mash! Splash!” That is what I heard when everybody was getting in there rafts. When we jumped in it felt like you were on a giant water bed. Once we started going my mom spotted a fish in the sky blue water. The fish was so close to the surface, if you put your hand out you could touch it. There were so many colors you could not name all of them.

The boys wanted to go on the Washing Machine so bad. That’s a place on the river that whirls your raft around. They were begging our boat guide but it was not there anymore. All the boys were disappointed. So instead we went on the Can Opener. A big wave came over the boat and washed over me and I was as wet as a sponge.

The people at the Alaska Rivers Company put a teddy bear on a tree. The other rafts saw it but my raft did not see it. We did see a lot of fishermen and most of them had fish on the line. Some of the people had a dog with them and one of the black labs had a life jacket on.

Finally it was time for lunch. I was looking around and saw a decaying, maggot filled salmon. After that I felt shivers down my spine when I thought about it, like a snake slithering down my back. We ended at Jims Landing. The boys kissed a slimy, spawned-out, dead bright red and green fish (yuck!) Have you ever kissed a dead fish?