



***Trouble in Nathan's Woods*, by Mary Morton Cowan**

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— for middle-grade readers —

CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS

The book fits into the following general curricula standards for Grades 3-8, and meets some STEM goals:

- ***Geography***: Introduces features of the woodlands of northern New England.
- ***Visual and Performing Arts***: Cultural Heritage: understand contributions from a variety of cultures and historical periods.
- ***English Language Arts***: Enjoyment of story; experience, understand, and appreciate literature and culture; understanding informational text.
- ***Social Studies***: Multicultural learning; understand relationships of people of differing nationalities and cultures and understand how/why prejudices and fears escalate during global and cultural conflicts.
 - American History: Involvement in World War I, 1917-1918.
 - New England History: Human interaction with environment. Logging industry during World War I. History of rural life vs. urban life in New England in the early 20th century.
 - World War I history: Understanding of the first world war on America's home front.
- ***Science and Technology***: learning characteristics of early methods and mechanization in the woods; compare to conservation procedures today.
- ***Economics***: contrast of rural vs. urban settings in the early 20th century.