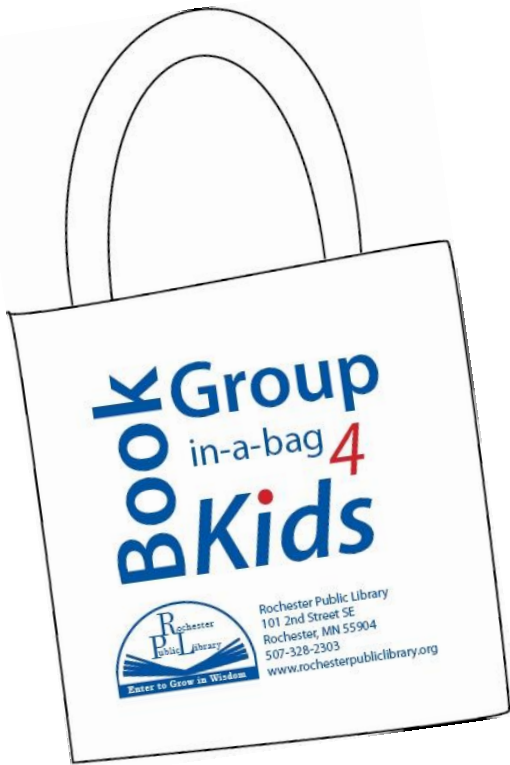


# ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK GROUP IN-A-BAG 4 KIDS



## THE BIRCHBARK HOUSE BY LOUISE ERDRICH

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&  
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Lexile level: 970L

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1. What did you enjoy about this book?
2. What have you read any books that are similar to this book? Have you read the Little House series? If yes, how are these books similar? How are they different?
3. How does weather affect Omakayas and her Ojibwa tribe? Does the weather dictate what you do at different times of the year?
4. The Ojibwa harvest wild rice in the fall and maple syrup in the spring. Which meal described in this book would you like best? Describe it and tell how the food was gathered and prepared.
5. What are some of the chores that Omakayas must do? How does she feel about those chores? How do Omakayas' chores compare to the chores you do?
6. Does Omakayas change from the beginning to the end of the novel? If so, how did she change and what do you think brought forth those changes?

### Websites:

<http://www.learnnc.org/lp/pages/2937>

<http://www.multcolib.org/talk/guides-birchbark.html>