White Fang Essay, Research Paper

Two outdoorsmen are out in the wild of the north. They are on a mission to deliver the body and coffin of a famous person. Their dogs disappear as they are entised by a she-wolf and eaten by the rest of the pack. They only have

three rounds of ammunition left and Bill, one of the men, uses them to try to

save one of their dogs that is being attacked; he misses and is eaten by the

pack with the dog. Only Henry and two dogs are left; he makes a fire with

leaves and scattered branches, trying to drive away the wolves. They draw in

close and he is almost eaten, saved only by a company of men who were

traveling nearby. The wolves are in the midst of a starvation. They continue on

running and hunting, lead by several wolves alongside the she-wolf, and when

they finally find food the pack starts to split up. The she-wolf mates with one of

the wolves and has a litter of pups inside an abandoned cave. Only one

survives after several more famines and harsh weather, and he grows strong

and is a feisty pup. The puppy learns the basics of hunting and survival. They

come to an Indian village where the she-wolf’s (who is actually half-wolf,

half-dog) master is. He catches her again and White Fang, her pup, stays

nearby. Soon, she is sold to another Indian, while White Fang stays with Gray

Beaver, her master. White fang whines and cries but it does’nt help. The other

dogs of the village terrorize White Fang, especially one named Lip-lip, who for

now is bigger and stronger. White Fang becomes more and more vicious, more

like a wolf than a dog, encouraged by his master who beats him. One day he

meets is mother and is turned to a light-hearted pup but, his mother does’nt

even notice him. He kills other dogs that used to terroize him. Gray Beaver

goes to Fort Yukon to trade and discovers whiskey, which he calls sweet

water. White Fang is passed into the hands of Beauty Smith, a monster of a

man who got Grey Beaver drunk and tricked him into selling Whit Fang. Beaty

Smith put White Fang ino dogfighting and he fights other dogs until he meets his

match in a bulldog from the east and is saved only by a man named Scott. Scott

tames White Fang and takes him back to California with him. There White

Fang learns to love his master and his master’s family, who dont take kindly to

him at first, and even saves Scott’s father in the middle of the night from a

convict that escaped from the nearby prison. White Fang has puppies with

Collie, one of the master’s dogs, and lives a happy life.