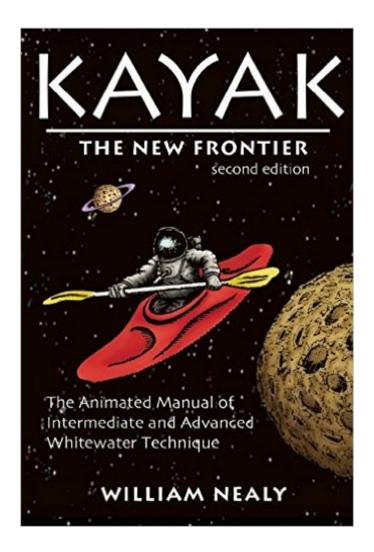
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# Kayak: The New Frontier: The Animated Manual Of Intermediate And Advanced Whitewater Technique





## Synopsis

Completely updated to reflect the latest in paddling equipment and kayak technology, William Nealyâ <sup>™</sup>s illustrated kayaking manual is as practical as it is dead-on hilarious. Whether detailing hardcore hippy hairboaters or insane youngsters clattering tiny play boats down steep, rocky creeks, Nealy is back and more useful and entertaining than ever. Over 400 illustrations help Nealy break down even the most complex kayaking skills, making difficult whitewater techniques understandable. You may break a rib laughing, but with Nealy holding your hand youâ <sup>™</sup>II be less likely to break a bone while boofing an insane rapid (or maybe an entire waterfall).

## **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

Excellent for both novice and advanced kayaker. For those who venture beyond lake or bayou kayaking, this is a nice choice for adults and children, given the illustrated approach to the subject matter. Highly recommended whether you are in a yak in Class 1 wiffles or some heavier foam and rollers going downhill in a river full of rocks. Would make a great gift for kayaking friends.

It is fun, informative with great illustrations. A must read for a new whitewater boater! The amount of time spent staring at a nasty hydraulic is directly proportional to the amount of time that you'll spend getting trashed in it. :D

What a clever & creative writing style! William Nealy would have been a treasure to call your friend! His closest friends did us a huge favor bringing this resource to print. Thank you! Nealy's artful sketches and caricatures are spot on... simplifying what otherwise would be complicated concepts & situations to explain... Duh! "Now I get it"! Wm. Nealy's book, Kayak: The New Frontier is like a Bible for those wanting to learn how to more safely navigate moving water. KUDOS!

I learned a lot from Nealy's books and maps when I first started boating. I was lucky enough to meet him. He had such an imaginative way of looking at things and making them memorable. His art puts an easily remembered view to the way things work and what actually happens when your moves don't. In the lower corner of the pages he shows a roll in progress; as you let them flip by under your thumb. Even today "if you can't spit, don't run run it" still applies, unless you enjoy being severely thrashed. Even if you are a short boat hot dog, give it a read and get an idea of what it was like in a 13' 2" boat running stuff without seeing videos, reading blogs/forums, depending on the few books available and often Nealy's maps to get even a clue what was over the next drop or round the corner. Oh yeah, no cell phones, imagine that, no help coming, on your own.

Even though the illustrations are humorous, they're also really helpful in understanding what the author is talking about when it comes to river conditions, water flows, etc. It's hard to be both practical and entertaining, but I think the author did a good job on mixing the two. The result is a fun but still very useful guide for kayaking fans who want to learn more about white water kayaking and techniques. I enjoyed reading this book, and will be sharing it with other kayaking enthusiasts.

I had the original book as a kid and loved it. Great book, hilarious! My family still says "say egg-mcmuffin!" If you have read the book, you know exactly what I mean. I am teaching my wife to boat now, and am buying the updated version. I plan to get this for my nephew for his birthday too. A must for getting a young paddler through the winter without going nuts!

What could possibly go wrong? This book illustrates more ways to get in trouble than I knew existed, and therefore I know more ways to stay out of trouble and have fun! If you are trying to figure out how whitewater works, I highly recommend this book.

This is still a great book, even if it doesn't have much instructional value anymore. The reality is that kayaking and river safety must be taught in person, on the river, by experienced instructors. However, I purchased this book for its entertainment value, and for this purpose Neely is awesome. The river running techniques are very basic and a little outdated in my opinion for modern boat designs and more difficult rivers. However, the illustrations and dialogue are simply hilarious, and I think all kayakers can relate to some of the predicaments Neely writes about. I think this helps remind even the most serious paddler how fun and ridiculous whitewater kayaking actually is.

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