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What does it mean to race in the AuSable River Canoe Marathon??

Here's a way for you to get a feel for it. First, \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Base Form 300 yards with a partner carrying a 30-pound \_\_\_\_\_ Noun on your \_\_\_\_\_ Part of Body. Trip and you fall face-first onto a \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective street.

Now, \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Base Form into a \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective river in front of \_\_\_\_\_ Number,000 screaming fans and climb into your \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective canoe as fast as you can. You'll need to avoid the \_\_\_\_\_ Number other canoes and \_\_\_\_\_ Higher Number other paddlers in a narrow stretch of the river.

For the next \_\_\_\_\_ Number to \_\_\_\_\_ Higher Number hours, paddle an average of \_\_\_\_\_ Number to \_\_\_\_\_ Higher Number strokes a minute. Maneuver around \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural, \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural, \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural and other canoers in a \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective, \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective river. Did we mention you're racing this natural obstacle course in the dark??

Need a break? Okay. For the next \_\_\_\_\_ Number to \_\_\_\_\_ Higher Number hours, we'll give you six breaks. You can \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Base Form out of the canoe, climb up cement \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural and 40-foot \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural and \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Base Form down 60-foot \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective slopes on six portages. Don't forget to keep up the average stroke rate of \_\_\_\_\_ Number per minute between portages.

Want

some more fun? Deal with temperatures as low as \_\_\_\_\_ Number degrees with \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural in the air.

Or how about \_\_\_\_\_ Higher Number degrees with \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective humidity to greet you as you try to finish 120

miles of nearly nonstop paddling? \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective rainstorms may be a factor. The \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Weather

usually is. It can blow \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural at you as you try to cross large ponds. A

\_\_\_\_\_ Adjective \_\_\_\_\_ Noun in your \_\_\_\_\_ Part of Body can sap any remaining strength you have.

Not difficult enough? Throw in some \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective fog during the night and early morning on a river with

\_\_\_\_\_ Adjective logs and backwaters you can become lost on even in the daylight.

If paddling doesn't appeal to you, perhaps you'll want to follow the race as a spectator. For the most

\_\_\_\_\_ Adjective fans, that means \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Present ends in ING more than \_\_\_\_\_ Number miles, possibly

\_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Present ends in ING in rain or 90-degree heat and \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Present ends in ING up all night.

If you're getting a sense of the difficulty of the AuSable River Canoe Marathon, perhaps you can begin to

understand that this is exactly why it is alluring to many canoe racers and fans.