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Recently televised, this is the story of a lonely boy's survival in the harsh landscape and lifestyle of Australia's opal fields, his friendship with an Aboriginal boy and their hunting of opal thieves. Adventure, mystery, and also an evocative, challenging story of human frontiers -- 'man against nature, and man against man, and, hardest of all, man against himself.' (Women don't figure much.) It's quite long, with a painful ending known to the reader but not yet to the hero. I'd recommend it to people of 12+ and hope they'd share Erine's insights into Australia's treatment of Aboriginals.

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