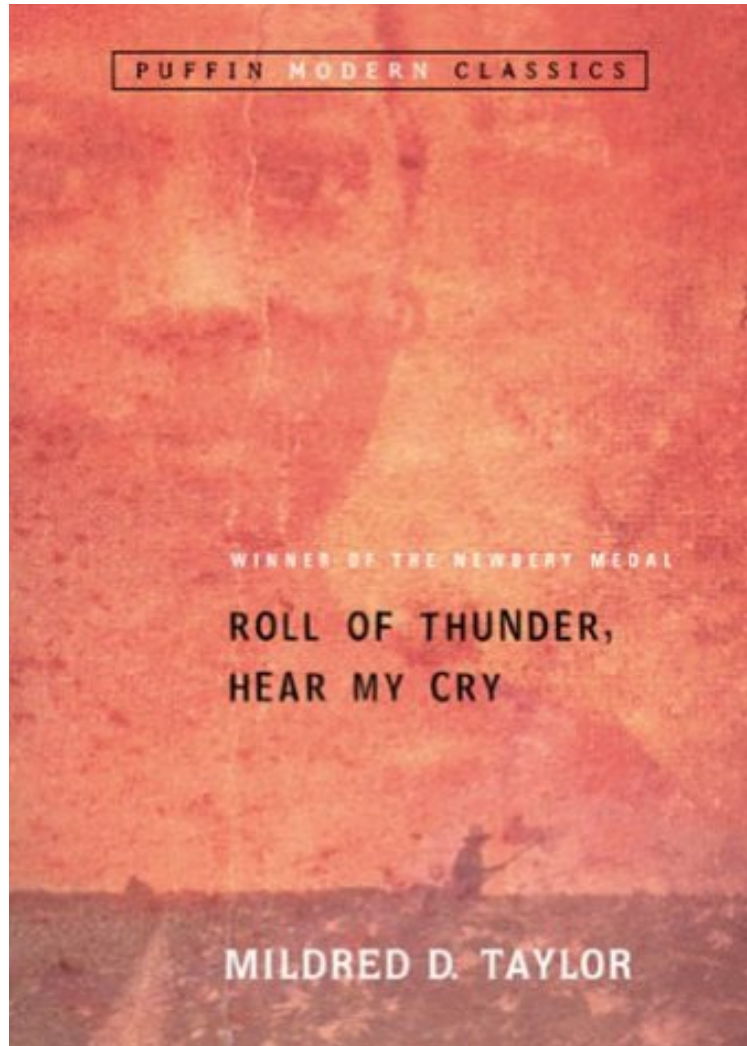


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in story form how things really were several years ago. I read this along with my granddaughter as part of a school assignment. She was practically in tears. She didn't know and couldn't understand how things like this really happened.

Winner of the Newbery Medal, this remarkably moving novel has impressed the hearts and minds of millions of readers. Set in Mississippi at the height of the Depression, this is the story of one family's struggle to maintain their integrity, pride, and independence in the face of racism and social injustice. And it is also Cassie's story. Cassie Logan, an independent girl who discovers over the course of an important year why having land of their own is so crucial to the Logan family, even as she learns to draw strength from her own sense of dignity and self-respect. \* "[A] vivid story.... Entirely through its own internal development, the novel shows the rich inner rewards of black pride, love, and independence." Booklist, starred review

.com In all Mildred D. Taylor's unforgettable novels she recounts "not only the joy of growing up in a large and supportive family, but my own feelings of being faced with segregation and bigotry." Her Newbery Medal-winning *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* tells the story of one African American family, fighting to stay together and strong in the face of brutal racist attacks, illness, poverty, and betrayal in the Deep South of the 1930s. Nine-year-old Cassie Logan, growing up protected by her loving family, has never had reason to suspect that any white person could consider her inferior or wish her harm. But during the course of one devastating year when her community begins to be ripped apart by angry night riders threatening African Americans, she and her three brothers come to understand why the land they own means so much to their Papa. "Look out there, Cassie girl. All that belongs to you. You ain't never had to live on nobody's place but your own and long as I live and the family survives, you'll never have to. That's important. You may not understand that now but one day you will. Then you'll see." Twenty-five years after it was first published, this special anniversary edition of the classic strikes as deep and powerful a note as ever. Taylor's vivid portrayal of ugly racism and the poignancy of Cassie's bewilderment and gradual toughening against social injustice and the men and women who perpetuate it, will remain with readers forever. Two award-winning sequels, *Let the Circle Be Unbroken* and *The Road to Memphis*, and a long-awaited prequel, *The Land*, continue the profoundly moving tale of the Logan family. (Ages 9 and older) --Emilie Coulter From School Library Journal Gr 4-7 Taylor's story about Cassie and her family, set in southern Mississippi during the Great Depression, is one of those rare books that is beloved by educators and children alike. A perennially popular selection for summer reading lists, classroom discussion, and book clubs, it turns 40 this year and boy does it look good on this classic. Sporting a stunning new cover illustration by Kadir Nelson and an introduction by Jacqueline Woodson, this is a beautiful edition that will be embraced by longtime fans and entice a new generation of readers. Penguin plans to release new editions of the other novels in the "Logan Family" series (all to feature cover illustrations by Nelson) as well as reprint Taylor's entire backlist over the next few years. Kiera Parrott, School Library Journal "The vivid story of a black family whose warm ties to each other and their land give them strength to defy rural Southern racism during the Depression. . . . Entirely through its own internal development, the novel shows the rich inner rewards of black pride, love, and independence despite the certainty of outer defeat." Booklist (starred review) "The strong, clear-headed Logan family . . . are drawn with quiet affection and their actions tempered with a keen sense of human fallibility." pointer, Kirkus s "The events and setting of the powerful novel are presented with such verisimilitude and the characters are so carefully drawn that one might assume the book to be autobiographical, if the author were not so young." The Horn Book