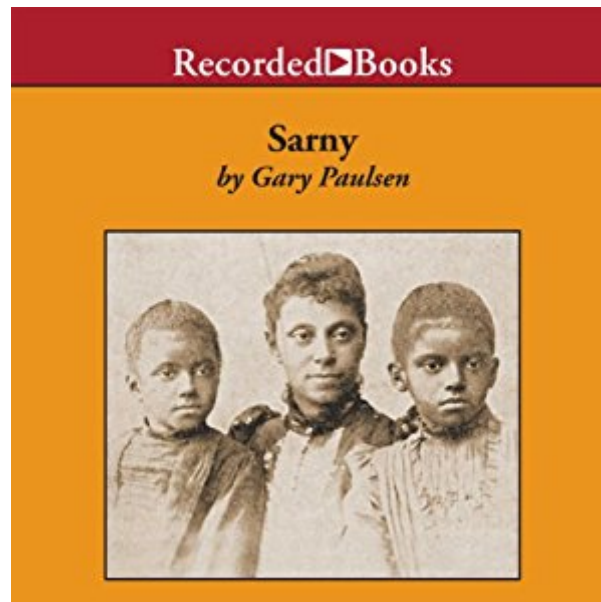




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Synopsis

As the Civil War rages around the plantation where Sarny lives, she hears of other slaves running away. They are following the sparkling drinking gourd in the northern sky to freedom. She longs to go wherever she wants and to be allowed to read books, just like the freed slaves. But she has a young son and daughter to look after. When the master sells her children to a stranger, Sarny waits for an opportunity to sneak away to search for them. Her chance comes after a Union soldier kills the master. But is it too late for Sarny to find her family? A turbulent time in America's history bursts colorfully from the pages with award-winning author Gary Paulsen's masterful storytelling. Sarny is his riveting account of an African-American woman's life story from the Civil War days until the early 1930s. Narrator Lynne Thigpen's stunning performance puts you on the scene with Sarny as she builds a new life in the chaotic aftermath of the war.

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Customer Reviews

This is a great story. All children especially those who do not like to read should appreciate this book. Kids especially of African descent just don't realize it was once against the law to know how to read and count. Now, education is wide open and yet there are many of our children who don't take advantage of good education. It starts at home with parents. Build the foundation early on so our children can be ready for tomorrow. Again, I love it. Finish it in one day.

I thoroughly enjoyed this book! It was very sad and heartbreaking, but it gave me a glimpse at what

my ancestors went through.

VERY WELL WRITTEN, GOOD STORY, A LITTLE TOO MUCH FOR 5TH GRADE, MIDDLE SCHOOL WOULD BE PERFECT.

it was nice to have a sequel to the story "Night john". However, the storyline for Nightjohn was very plausible while the storyline for Sarny was a little too contrived. The characters and interaction was well done and the societal observations were realistic. It was a good read as a sequel and gave my students closure which was missing at the end of Nightjohn.

Gary Paulsen is a wonderful writer. We found an excerpt of this story in "The Reading Detective 6th - 12th" edition. Which lead to the first book, "Nightjohn" by the same author which also lead us to the movie by the same name. The events are real and compelling.

This work is excellent to use for Black History Month. It is easy to read and understand. As a teacher you can use it to demonstrate the language that was spoken during that period of time and the hardships slaves had to endure. Great story for young people to read and easy to understand.

A little to cut and pasted.

This book is a sequel to the book, Nightjohn, by the same author. I consider it a "must read" for everyone age 10 years and older. But read Nightjohn first.

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