

Native Son

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This novel tells the story of an African American boy named Bigger during the 1930s, and how he manages to accidentally kill the daughter of a white man he was working for. Now trying to hide from police and the family, he has to deal with this death on his hands, as well as the prejudice from others due to his race, communists, religion, and his own community.

Before I read this book, I had some doubts about it and the quality of the story, but after reading the entire thing, I can say that it was a book I would read again. While I could not see myself in the character, the story is easy to follow and the characters are interesting to view. I would recommend this book to teenagers and older.

Recommended Titles

The Confessions of Nat Turner by William Styron

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee