

## **Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry - Reading Comprehension Questions**

*Remember to answer in complete sentences or points will be deducted.*

### **Chapter 1**

- 1.How would you describe the kids' clothing at the beginning of the story?
- 2.Why do all the kids climb up the bank into the forest?
- 3.Why is Little Man so angry about his new school book?

### **Chapter 2**

- 1.As they finish up the day of picking cotton, who is the surprise visitor that arrives?
- 2.Why does Papa bring Mr. Morrison to stay at their home?
- 3.What rule do their parents tell them about the Wallace family?

### **Chapter 3**

- 1.Why do the kids get all muddy when it's raining?
- 2.What plan do the kids make to get revenge?
- 3.Late at night when Cassie hears the noise on the porch, what are the ghostly lights she sees outside?

### **Chapter 4**

- 1.What happens to Mr. Tatum when he calls Mr. Barnett a liar about the shopping list?
- 2.Why does Stacy get whipped?
- 3.What has their family been doing down in Vicksburg for the past year?

### **Chapter 5**

- 1.When Cassie wakes up early to go with Big Ma, where are they going?
- 2.Where does Big Ma tell Cassie, Stacey, and T.J. to wait while she sees Mr. Jamison?
- 3.What does Big Ma tell Cassie to say to Lillian Jean?

### **Chapter 6**

- 1.What do Cassie and Stacey find in the barn?
- 2.Who is the surprise visitor in the gray pin-striped suit and why are they there?
- 3.Why do the Wallaces let their family across the bridge first?

### **Chapter 7**

- 1.When Mama asks for Stacey's coat, why can't he give it to her?
- 2.How can Uncle Hammer afford to pay for his car?
- 3.Why does Mr. Granger come to talk to Papa?

### **Chapter 8**

- 1.What is T.J.'s plan for passing this year's examinations?
- 2.What surprise does Cassie have planned for Lillian Jean on the forest path?

3.What do Christopher-John and Stacey mean when they say, "You the one turned"?

### **Chapter 9**

1.How is Papa going to go earn money?

2.Why does Mr. Avery say he can't buy the items on the shopping list from Vicksburg anymore?

3.How does Papa's leg get injured?

### **Chapter 10**

1.Why doesn't Papa want to tell Hammer about his injury?

2.What is Stacey blaming himself for?

3.What does Uncle Hammer say happened to his car?

### **Chapter 11**

1.Where does T.J. go after the revival meeting and why does he go there?

2.What happens to the Barnetts?

3.Who is Mr. Jamison protecting from Kaleb Wallace? Why do they need protection?

### **Chapter 12**

1.What are they worried is going to reach the trees by the Granger land?

2.What tragedy does Papa start?

3.At the end of the book, where is T.J.?