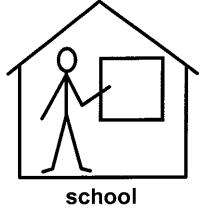
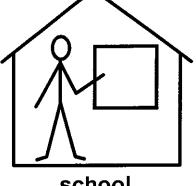
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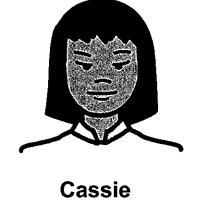
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<u>Chapter 1 Vocabulary</u>

















Christopher-John



Little Man

# Chapter 1

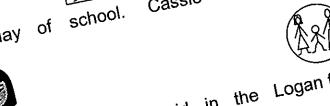




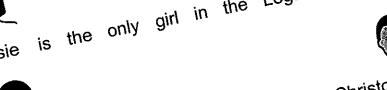


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A boy named TJ walks with them. TJ tells them about some

very bad white men. The white men wanted to hurt some black men.



Cassie is angry that TJ is talking about sad things on the way to





school.Another boy named Jeremy joins them. Soon, Jeremy must go.



Jeremy is white, and he gets in trouble for walking to school with black

children. Then, a bus filled with white children goes by. The white children

say mean things. The bus covers them with dust. This is not a good way





to start the school year. It is the first day of school.



The white children are going to a big, new school. They have new books,

a baseball field, and paper. The Logan children are black. They go to a



school that is just for black children. It is old. The books are old and

torn. The teachers and children do the best they can. Mrs. Logan is a



teacher at their school. She is waiting for them to get to school.



It is the first day of school.

When the children arrive, they find out that they will have books this year.



But the books are old. They are books that the school for white children





has thrown away. Cassie and Little Man. are angry. They do not want

books that have been thrown away. Their teacher, Miss Crocker, whips them

for not taking the books. She thinks that they must take the books, even



if they are old, because "that's the way things are". Cassie is not happy



at school.



It is the first day of school.



On Sunday, the Logans go to church. They find out that some white men

killed a black man named John Henry Berry because he smiled at a

white woman. The white men did not like that, so they killed him. The



grown ups at church talk quietly. Then, Papa tells the children to stay

away from the Wallace store. People drink and smoke at the Wallace



store. Some people at the store are mean to black people. The children listen

to papa.



The Logans try to be good children.





On Monday, it begins to rain. It rains for many days. The children walk





to school in the rain. The bus with the white children splashes them with



mud everyday. The children are angry. One day, they dig big holes in the

road. The holes fill with water from the rain. Later that day, the bus gets



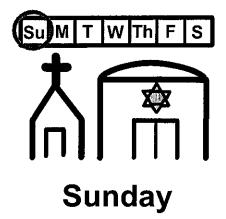
stuck in the holes. This makes the children happy. They know it was not

right, but they were so angry.



The Logans try to be good children.

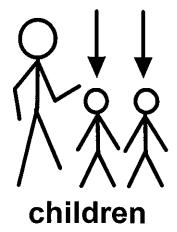
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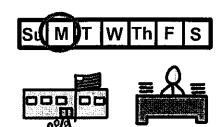






Saturday





Monday



Big Ma

### Chapter 2-3









On Saturday, the Logan children help Ma and Big Ma pick cotton. BigMa



is their grandmother. Big Ma owns the land. Then, they see their papa

coming home from work. They are happy to see him.



The Logans try to be good children.

That night, TJ's father visits the Logans. He says that white men are

angry again. When the white men get angry they go "riding". This means

they go to homes of black people. Then, they say and do mean things.

TJ's father said that the bus driver was talking to another white man about

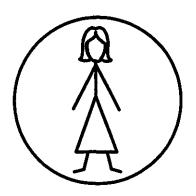


"riding". The children are afraid. Did they cause this trouble? They did not

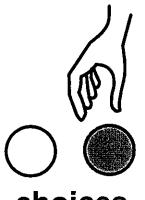
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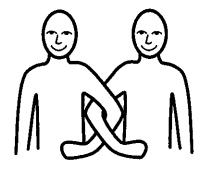
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Mama

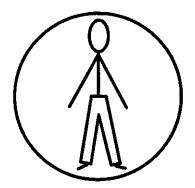


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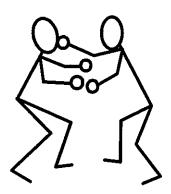


friend

## Chapter 4



Papa



fight



shop

#### Chapter 4



Cassie and her brothers feel bad. They find out that the white men were

not riding because of the bus. Then, they feel relieved. They decide not to





tell mama and papa what they did.









On the way to school, TJ shows Stacey a cheat sheet that he made







for the big test. Stacey and TJ are in mama's class. Stacey rips up

the cheat sheet. He does not want anyone to cheat on the test.







At school, TJ makes another cheat sheet. During the test, he puts it on







Stacey's desk. Mama thinks that he made the cheat sheet. But, Stacey



will not tell on TJ. He is not a "tattle-tale". Stacey gets in big trouble



with his mama.









After school, Stacey chases TJ to the Wallace store. He is mad at TJ.





He fights with him. Then, L.T. stops the fight. L.T. is a friend of the





Logan family. Stacey does not want L.T. to tell his papa that he was





fighting. He does not want papa to know that he was at the Wallace



store. But L.T. lets Stacey decide.









That night, Stacey tells mama that he was at the Wallace store. But,





he will not tell on T.J. Mama takes Stacey with her to visit another



man that was hurt with John Henry Berry. She tells Stacey that the

Wallace family hurt both men. Then, she visits other black families. She





asks them to shop at other stores. She tells them not to shop at





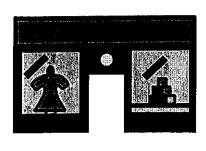
the Wallace store. Stacey helps his mama tell the people about the

Wallace family.

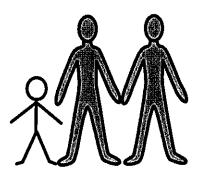




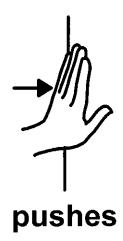
## <u>Chapter</u> 5-6 <u>Vocabulary</u>



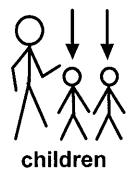
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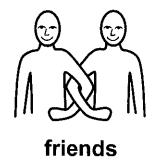


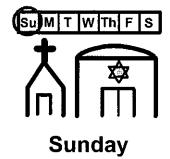
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## Review:







#### Chapter 5-6







TJ and Stacey are friends again. One day, Big Ma takes TJ and the







Logan children to a store in Strawberry. The children go to a store



without Big Ma. The white man will not pay attention to them. He does not



want black people in his store. He yells at Cassie and tells her to

get out of the store.







Cassie runs out of the store. She is afraid. Then, she bumps into

Lillian Jean, Jeremy's sister. Lillian Jean is white. Her parents do not like



black people. Lillian Jean's father pushes Cassie into the street. He says

that she must say "I'm sorry" for bumping into Lillian Jean.











Then, Big Ma sees Lillian Jean's father yelling at Cassie. She tells





Cassie that she must say, "I'm sorry" to Lillian Jean. Finally, Cassie





says, "I'm sorry". She is mad at Big Ma. She thinks that Big Ma





should have yelled back at Lillian Jean's father. But, big Ma did not

want any more trouble.





When they get home, they see Uncle Hammer. Uncle Hammer has a big

car. It looks like Mr. Granger's car. Mr. Granger is a rich farmer who



wants to buy Big Ma's land. Uncle Hammer is mad when he hears about



Cassie and Lillian Jean. He gets his gun. Then, he gets into his car.



He wants Lillian Jean's father to apologize. L.T. stops him. L.T. does not

want any more trouble.







On Sunday, Uncle Hammer drives the Logans to church. They come to a

small bridge. The wagon on the bridge backs up to let Uncle Hammer

come by. The people in the wagon think that Mr. Granger is driving the

car. Then, the car passes the wagon. The Wallace family just let the

Logans go first! They are surprised to see Uncle Hammer.





## Chapter 7-8





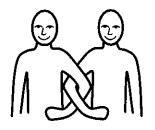
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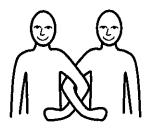
Review:



fight



friendship



friend

#### Chapter 7-8





Uncle Hammer gave Stacey a new jacket to wear to church. TJ tells







Stacey that it is too big. He tricks Stacey to let him have the jacket.



Then he tells Uncle Hammer. Uncle Hammer is mad at Stacey for giving





TJ the jacket. He tells TJ to keep the jacket.





The children learn about frienship.



Then, it is Christmas. Papa comes home from the railroads. He brings







books for the children They love the new books!





Jeremy brings Stacey a whistle for Christmas. Stacey is surprised. He







asks his papa if he can be friends with Jeremy. Papa says there is







nothing wrong with frienship. But, he tells Stacey that friendship with a

white person may be trouble.





The children learn about frienship.





After Christmas, the black families do not shop at Wallace's store. The





Logans go to Vicksburg to shop for their friends and neighbors. The

Wallace family is mad. Mr. Granger is mad, too. He owns the land



around the store and gets money from the Wallace family. He says

mean things to the Logans. He knows that they are the ones who told





black people not to shop at the Wallace store. But, the Logans



are not afraid. Their friends will help them.





The children learn about friendship.





Papa talks to Cassie about Lillian Jean. He tells her not to get in





fights. But, he tells her to do what she must to keep herself safe.







Cassie pretends to be friends with Lillian Jean. She carries her books





to school. Lillian Jean tells Cassie all of her secrets. Then, one day,





Cassie fights with Lillian Jean. Lillian Jean says that she will tell her





father. Then, Cassie says that she will tell everyone her secrets. Lillian

Jean does not say anything.





The children learn about friendship.



At school, TJ gets a bad grade on a test. He is mad at Mrs. Logan.





He tells the Wallace family that mama put covers on the old books





from the white children's school. Mr. Granger and Mr. Wallace come to





the school. They look at the books. They tell Mrs. Logan that she



did not have the right to put covers on the books. Then, they fire



Mrs. Logan from her job! The Logan children know that TJ told Mr.





Wallace about the books. TJ and the Logans will never be friends again.



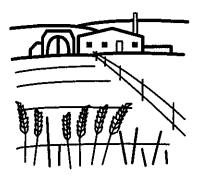


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## Chapter 9-10 Vocabulary



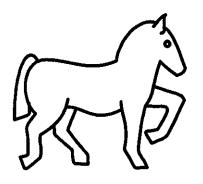
spring



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dangers



horse

# Review:



papa

#### Chapter 9-10







Spring comes and school ends. Now, the children must work on the



cotton farms. The Logans work hard on their family's farm.

Jeremy tells the Logans about TJ. TJ does not work. He spends time with

two boys, the Simms brothers. The Simms are white and they do not

really like TJ. They tell him to do bad things. They make him think that





he is their friend. TJ wants Stacey to join him.



The Logans face many dangers.





Some of the freinds and neighbors do not want papa to go to Vicksburg



for them. Mr. Granger has told them that if they do not shop at the



Wallace store, they will not have jobs on his land.



On the next trip to Vicksburg, the Wallace brothers break papa's wagon



wheel. Then, they shoot a gun at him. The gun makes the horses afraid.







The horses jump up. The wagon falls on papa's leg. Papa's leg is broken.



The Logans face many dangers.



Now, Papa cannot work. The Logans cannot pay their bills. They may



have to sell the farm to Mr. Granger. Papa calls Uncle Hammer to

get some money. Uncle Hammer sells his car to get money. He brings



the money to Papa. The Logans are able to pay the bill for the land.



Uncle Hammer wants to stay and help, but Papa tells him not to stay.

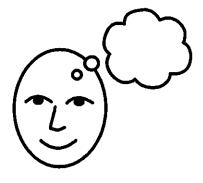
He knows that Mr. Granger is mad at Uncle Hammer for helping keep the



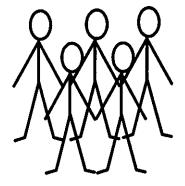
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The Logans face many dangers.

## Chapter 11-12 Vocabulary



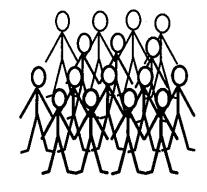
wonders



people



peace



mob



lightning

#### Chapter 11-12



One night, TJ comes to the Logan's door. Cassie lets him in. She is



very quiet. She takes him to the boy's room. TJ is badly hurt. Cassie

asks how he got hurt. He tells them that he went to Vicksburg with the



Simms brothers. He was caught trying to rob a store with the Simms

brothers. The Simms brothers got away. But he was hurt by the people



who caught him. Cassie does not like TJ, but she knows she must help









him. Cassie wonders if people can live in peace.





Cassie and the boys take TJ to his home. But, an angry mob is at



his home. They want to kill him. The Simms brothers are in the mob





A man named Mr. Jamison tries to break up the mob. But, the mob





is ready to go to the Logan's and kill L.T. and Papa. Cassie runs



home to warn her papa.









Cassie wonders if people can live in peace.









Cassie tells Mama about the mob. Papa and L.T. run out with guns.





Soon, Mama sees that the farm is on fire. She thinks it started with





lightning. Then, Cassie goes back to her room.









Cassie wonders if people can live in peace.

The next morning, Jeremy knocks at their door. They all go out to the



farm. Their neighbors, black and white, are helping put out the fire. The





fire made the mob go away. Now, people were helping the Logans.





Cassie sees that it took a fire to make people work together. Then,



she thinks that her Papa started the fire. He wanted people to stop



fighting and try to work together.









Cassie wonders if people can live in peace.



The End