

Middle School: US History I and II

Historical fiction:

- *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, by Mildred D. Taylor. Historical fiction. The story of a black family's struggle to defy rural Southern racism during the Depression. I used this when I taught middle school. WONDERFUL literature and honest perspective on racism in the south.
- *Nightjohn*, by Gary Paulsen. A young adult novel about life on a cotton plantation in the 1830s. No idea about the book, but Paulsen is always awesome!
- *Night*, by Elie Wiesel. Book is the author's memoir of his boyhood experiences (from the point of view of a 14-year-old) during the Holocaust.
- *Hiroshima*, by John Hersey. Book by journalist detailing the story of six of the people upon whom the atomic bomb was dropped on August 6, 1945.

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