

1: A Girl from Yamhill by Beverly Cleary

A Girl from Yamhill has 2, ratings and reviews. Janet said: I love this book SO much. My mom bought this for me when I was a kid, and reading it m.

To one side lie the orchard and a path leading under the horse chestnut tree, past a black walnut and a peach-plum tree, to the privy. On the other side are the woodshed, the icehouse, and the cornfield, and beyond, a field of wheat. The horse obstructs my vision of the path to the barnyard, the pump house with its creaking windmill, the chicken coop, smokehouse, machine shed, and the big red barn, but I know they are there. I wave, sad to see my father leave, if only for a day. The morning is chilly. Mother and I wear sweaters as I follow her around the big old house. Mother seizes my hand and begins to run, out of the house, down the steps, across the muddy barnyard toward the barn where my father is working. My short legs cannot keep up. I trip, stumble, and fall, tearing holes in the knees of my long brown cotton stockings, skinning my knees. Years later, I asked Mother what was so important about that day when all the bells in Yamhill rang, the day I was never to forget. Relatives are coming to dinner. The oak pedestal table is stretched to its limit and covered with a silence cloth and white damask. The sight of that smooth, faintly patterned cloth fills me with longing. I find a bottle of blue ink, pour it out at one end of the table, and dip my hands into it. Pat-a-pat, pat-a-pat, all around the table I go, inking handprints on that smooth white cloth. I do not recall what happened when aunts, uncles, and cousins arrived. All I recall is my satisfaction in marking with ink on that white surface. Rain beats endlessly against the south window of the kitchen. I am dressing beside the wood stove, the warmest place in the house. Father is eating oatmeal; Mother is frying bacon. When I am dressed, Father sends me to the sitting room to fetch something. I run through the cold dining room to the sitting room. What I see excites me and makes me indignant. Proud to be the bearer of astonishing news, I run back. Instead, my parents laugh. They explain about Christmas trees and decorations. A Christmas tree is interesting, but I am disappointed. A tree slipping into the house at night had appealed to me. I want my 5 father to charge into the sitting room to save us all from the intruder. Memories of life in Yamhill, Oregon, were beginning to cling to my mind like burs to my long cotton stockings. To the west, beyond the barn, we could see forest and the Coast Range. To the east, at the other end of a boardwalk, lay the main street, Maple, of Yamhill. The big old house, once the home of my grandfather, John Marion Bunn, was the first fine house in Yamhill, with the second bathtub in Yamhill County. Mother said the house had thirteen rooms. I count eleven, but Mother sometimes exaggerated. Or perhaps she counted the bathroom, which was precisely what the word indicatesâ€”a room off the kitchen for taking a bath. Possibly she counted the pantry or an odd little room under the cupola. Some of these rooms were empty, others sparsely furnished. The house also had three porches and two balconies, one for sleeping under the stars on summer nights until the sky clouded over and rain fell. The roof was tin. Raindrops, at first sounding 6 like big paws, pattered and then pounded, and hail crashed above the bedroom where I slept in an iron crib in the warmest spot upstairs, by the wall against the chimney from the wood range in the kitchen below. In the morning I descended from the bedroom by sliding down the banister railing, which curved at the end to make a flat landing place just right for my bottom. At night I climbed the long flight of stairs alone, undressed in the dark because I could not reach the light, and went to bed. When I think of my parents together, I see them beside this staircase. My big father is leaning on my little mother. Sweat pours from his usually ruddy face, now white with pain, as he holds one arm in the other. I am horrified and fascinated, for I think one arm has fallen off inside his denim shirt. Somehow Mother boosts him along to the parlor couch. Later, after the doctor has gone, I learn that a sudden jerk on the reins by a team of horses has dislocated the arm, an 7 accident that has happened before in his heavy farm work, for his shoulder sockets are too shallow for the weight of his muscles. This is my duty at family dinners. Father was the grandson of pioneers on both sides of his family. Your pioneer ancestors did. My Great-grandmother Bunn was rarely mentioned. I pictured them all as old, grim, plodding eternally across the plains to Oregon. As a child, I simply stopped listening. If they had, I might have pricked up my ears. His first wife, like so many pioneer women, died young. He then married Harriet Elizabeth Pierson. In , when Jacob was thirty and Harriet sixteen, the couple left by covered

wagon for outposts of civilization in need of mills for grain or lumber. In their covered wagon, they trundled to Wisconsin, Missouri, Texas, Louisiana, back to New York, and then continued on to Missouri once more. Four children were born along the way. Her little brothers were six, three, and one month old. My great-grandmother was by then twenty-five. Laura recorded that the prairie was black with buffalo. If an animal was killed, it was divided with every family and the hide saved for future use. Laura wrote about the hazards of crossing the Platte River and of help from Indians, of bare country with buffalo chips the only fuel for cooking, and of trading with Indians for dried meat and salmon. When food ran low, families camped off to themselves to prevent hungry children from teasing for what others might have. Everyone was relieved when they were able to buy flour at Fort Hall and to bathe and wash clothes at Soda Springs. Marcus Whitman, the missionary. When the wagon train reached the Columbia River in November, some travelers built rafts, while wagons and livestock were sent overland. Others, including the Hawns, bought canoes from Indians. By November, Oregon was cold and rainy. The Columbia River and the Gorge, a funnel for raw winds, were full of rapids. Clothes were wet, the family hungry. Laura recalled how hard they had to work to bail water out of the canoe, and how, on reaching Fort Vancouver, then a British settlement, at night, they nearly swamped the canoe. Whitman had sent an Indian ahead bearing the news that a millwright was on the way. The man, hired to hail everyone who came along, stood on a rock in the rain and cold for four days and nights waiting for Jacob Hawn, the millwright. With provisions supplied by Dr. John McLoughlin, the missionary, the family was taken to Oregon City, where millstones shipped around Cape Horn were waiting to grind the harvest into flour for arriving emigrants. There is not a word of self-pity. She must have taken responsibility for her little brothers, not easy when a foal, the first stallion in Oregon, was loaded into the wagon with the children. Hardship was to be expected when one was a pioneer. All her life she remembered that journey with wonder, and with pride at the part she had played in the history of the United States. Jacob Hawn took up a plot of land near Oregon 13 City, later moving near Lafayette. He built grist mills and bridges in the Willamette Valley. It also became a schoolhouse, for Harriet provided a room for a school and room and board for a young man eager to teach. Jacob acted as postmaster while continuing to build grist and lumber mills. Before the death of her husband, she bore four more daughters, one of whom, Mary Edith Amine, was to become my grandmother. Widowed, Harriet moved with her children to The Dalles, then a rough mining town, where she built a hotel. She lived in The Dalles until she died, apparently enjoying her hard life. To the surprise of my generation, the Bunns are now better known than the Hawns because of the house in Yamhill, now an Oregon landmark. Frederick Bunn was born in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, in He and his brothers and sisters were orphaned and divided among families 14 who could take an extra child. Frederick was reared by a Mr. Wright in Texas, but in returned to Missouri, where he married Elmira Noel. A wife was a valuable asset, for in the Donation Land Act had been changed to entitle a married man to twice as much land as a single man. The couple set out for Oregon, a journey of great hardship for Great-grandmother Bunn. She became pregnant, and Indians, who had been friendly and helpful to the Hawns in , had turned hostile by To be eighteen, pregnant, terrified, and living in discomfort and hardship was too much for the young woman to bear.

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The Girl from Yamhill Lesson Ideas written by: Her books give the reader an a feeling for what it was like to grow up during the Depression. This lesson offers ideas and activities to go along with the book. The book is recommended for grades six and up even though Cleary generally writes for an elementary audience. Because the book is an autobiography, some students struggle with this long, non-fiction piece. The following are activities to help the students understand the novel. Ancestors and Pioneer Activites Beverly Cleary talks quite a bit about her ancestors who were pioneers. They were strong people who made it through very difficult times. Student create a survival guide for pioneers on how to make it across the Great Plains to the West Coast. Students complete family trees and research of where their ancestors lived. In the end, they end up selling the family farm to stay in town. However, they were never destitute. Students complete research on what it was truly like during the Great Depression. Students talk to older relatives and neighbors who lived through the Great Depression. In addition, students complete research on the Internet to make a survival guide of the Great Depression. Students could tell how to save money, how to make money and how to stretch items that people already had. Write Own Autobiography Students can write their own autobiographies. They can tell about their birth, their years before they started school, and school years. Discussions about Middle School Subjects Beverly shares the good with the bad. Her life as a teenager during the Great Depression was not much different than the teens today. Some topics for discussion are as follows: The relationship between Beverly and her mother was strained. The relationship between Beverly and her first boyfriend and other boys in the neighborhood was somewhat typical. The boyfriend in high school was very possessive. The relationship between Beverly and her friends was very typical of a teen. She worried about the clothes she wore and her friendships. Middle school students will be able to connect with Beverly Cleary when they read this autobiography. Help them learn more about the time period and themselves when they complete these activities.

3: A Girl from Yamhill Critical Essays - www.enganchecubano.com

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4: Lesson Plan and Activities for Beverly Cleary's Autobiography: A Girl from Yamhill

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