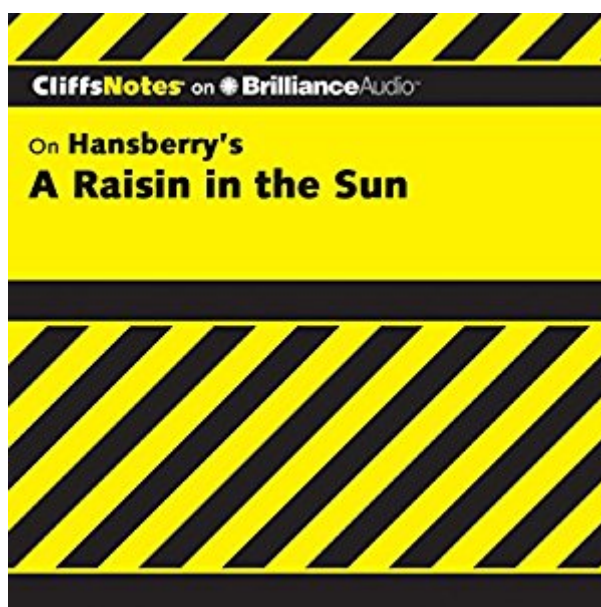


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# A Raisin In The Sun: CliffsNotes



## Synopsis

The CliffsNotes study guide on Lorraine Hansberry's *A Raisin in the Sun* supplements the original literary work, giving you background information about the author, an introduction to the work, and expanded glossaries, all for you to use as an educational tool that will allow you to better understand the work. This study guide was written with the assumption that you have read *A Raisin in the Sun*. Reading a literary work doesn't mean that you immediately grasp the major themes and devices used by the author; this study guide will help supplement your reading to be sure you get all you can from Hansberry's *A Raisin in the Sun*. CliffsNotes Review tests your comprehension of the original text and reinforces learning with questions and answers, practice projects, and more. For further information on Lorraine Hansberry and *A Raisin in the Sun*, check out the CliffsNotes Resource Center at [www.cliffsnotes.com](http://www.cliffsnotes.com).

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I could never "crack" Augustine whenever I'd wade into *CONFESSIONS*, Think it was the archaic language and his super-detailed thinking. Chanced upon *CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE: THE MODERN ENGLISH VERSION*. Contemporary language and abridged format of that edition finally opened up the work for me. Bought this Cliffs Notes just in case I needed help understanding *CONFESSIONS*. Great! Cliff Notes writer helped when I needed to check if I was following a particular point correctly.

Very helpful in understanding this brilliant play about segregation, the American dream and the

importance of stable, loving families. The play is a classic in African American literature and once again, Cliff's Notes provide a handy reference for the student wishing to understand more about the language and era of the time this story takes place.

For inquisitive minds who want to boil down the classic literary selection. Helpful to read along side of the entire works. This contributed much to my understanding and enhanced my reading of the world famous St. Augustine's confessions!

**BOOK ANALYSIS: A RAISIN IN THE SUN** The main character of A Raisin in the Sun is Ruth Younger. She is the wife of Walter Lee Younger and mother of Travis Younger. She is a nice mother, but sometimes could get into a bad mood where she takes everything out on everyone, especially Travis. One of the reasons for her bad moods is because her and her families lack of money. She knew she had a responsible position in the family. That's why she cared so much and worked as hard as she could to earn the money they needed. She wished her husband would take work as seriously as she did instead of cutting work and not caring if he got there on time. Ruth was so worried about her family that when she became pregnant with her second child, she wanted to give up their baby because she felt that the child would grow up without enough food and they wouldn't have enough money to care for the baby. The resolution of this conflict makes her understand that a loving family was a lot more important than money. She now knew that you didn't need money to have a wonderful, caring, loving family. She was happy when she found out they were moving to a new house, but even though they decided not to in the end, she was happy with her and her families decision not to move and to stay in the cheerful house where they had been living for years.

**A RAISIN IN THE SUN IS A BEAUTIFUL STORY OF FAMILY LOVE, COMMITMENT, STRENGTH, HOPE, SURVIVAL AND HONESTY. THIS FAMILY ENDURED THE GOOD AND BAD AND YET ALWAYS BELIEVED IN THEIR VALUE SYSTEM AND IN ONE ANOTHER. THE YOUNGER FAMILY EXEMPLIFY WHAT IT WAS TO LOVE AND TO ACTUALLY HAVE DREAMS COME TRUE. THE MOTHER WAS THE CORE AND PILLAR OF HER FAMILY AND HER SON WAS THE ICING ON THE CAKE WHO FALLS BUT REMEMBERS ENOUGH ABOUT INTEGRITY AND THE DEVOTION TO HIS SON, WIFE, MOTHER AND FATHER TO OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES. FAMILY - THE TRUE REASON FOR BEING**

-which delves into the heart of an early 60's lower class African American family struggling to live together in a crowded Chicago apartment. A widowed mother tries to teach her son the real values of life and hold her family together at the same time while selflessly trying to make both of her childrens dreams live.

I truly enjoyed this book that I read, A Raisin in the Sun, by Lorraine Hansberry. I can see how people can relate to this book, it has so much truth in it and it showed great symbolism. I recommend it to anyone. Brooke McCargo(bambam6@juno.com)Duluth, Georgia

This book had alot to do with the "American Dream" Everyone was striving for their own thing. It was all based on money. But in the end they saw that money will not make you happy. We thought this thought was clearly shown.

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