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White Girl: A Story of School Desegregation is a powerful and deeply personal account of Vanessa Thompson's experiences as a white teenager who played a pivotal role in the fight for school desegregation in Little Rock, Arkansas.

In 1957, Vanessa was a fifteen-year-old sophomore at Central High School when the school was desegregated and nine African American students attempted to enroll. The Little Rock Nine, as they became known, were met with violent resistance from white protesters and the Arkansas National Guard. Vanessa, who had always believed in the equality of all people, was horrified by the racism and hatred she witnessed.

Despite the dangers, Vanessa stood up for what she believed in. She befriended the Little Rock Nine and helped them to navigate the hostile environment of Central High. She faced down racist taunts and threats, and she never gave up on her dream of a more just and equitable world.

White Girl is more than just a memoir of one person's experiences. It is a story of the fight for civil rights in America, a story of courage and determination in the face of adversity. It is a story that will resonate with readers of all ages and backgrounds.

Vanessa Thompson



Vanessa Thompson was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1942. She graduated from Central High School in 1960 and went on to earn a degree in journalism from the University of Arkansas. She worked as a reporter and editor for several newspapers and magazines before becoming a full-time writer. She is the author of several books, including *White Girl* and *The Dogs of War*.

Thompson's work has been praised for its honesty, insight, and compassion. She has been honored with numerous awards, including the Lillian Smith Award for Southern Literature and the Arkansas Governor's Arts Award. She is a member of the Arkansas Writers Hall of Fame.

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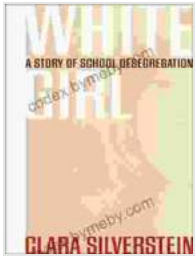
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