

## Huck Finn Part IV Notes

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### Cliff Notes

When he arrives at plantation, hears a **spinning wheel**, surrounded by **dogs**. Negro disperses dogs, and then white woman with kids greets Huck, **ID's herself at Aunt Salley**, and calls him Tom. Doesn't know who he is till Mr. Phelps appears. Goes to town to "**get his luggage**," meets real Tom, **who thinks Huck is a ghost**. Tom agrees to help free Jim. Tom says he's **William Thompson**, of Ohio, looking for **Mr. Nichols**. Mr. Nichols lives 3 miles up road, stayed for dinner. Offends **Aunt Salley** by kissing her, but forgiven when he introduces himself as **Sid Sawyer**, came cuz Tom did. Meal large enough for 7 families, subject of **King Cameleopard** comes up, tries to warn **Duke/King**, but too late. **They're tarred/feathered and ridden out of town on a rail**. (This is vague, so looked for detail later). Tells story about boat blowing a cylinder head, and when asked if he killed anyone, he says, no, killed a nigger. Jim is already free. Tom discovers Jim in a hut in back of house, wants something more elaborate than stealing the key, must dig him out. **Negro in charge of Jim (Nat) is made to believe that witches are haunting him when Jim identifies Huck/Tom**. **Decide to dig tunnel, saw off leg of bed, use rope ladder, break out a window, etc. Huck steals sheet, shirt, case knives**. Must hurry because Mr. Phelps will learn that Jim didn't come from New Orleans and learn the truth. **Jim was supposed to record his experiences in blood on the white shirt**. When digging with case knives took too long, **Tom uses picks and pretend they're case knives. Can't climb the lightning rod to the second story and uses the stairs as a lightning rod**. Steal pewter spoon, chopped up brass candlestick, 3 tin plates to assist in the great plan. **Nat** is supposed to **deliver the witch pie?, contain a rope ladder made of a sheet torn in strips. Makes Huck pay a dime for stolen Watermelon**. Aunt Salley starts missing stuff, Tom puts spoon in Uncle Silas's pocket, drops spoon in Salley's apron. Pocket, Jim takes it out, Salley gets confused, starts forgetting her original number of sheets, shirts, spoons. Takes them 3 weeks to collect the rats, snakes, spiders, shirts, spoons, etc to free Jim in style. Rats/Snakes get loose and scares people, **Supposed to produce tears with an onion and to write on the shirt when the rats bite him**. Says he'll never be in prison again, for anything. **Tom thinks of writing anonymous letter telling them that a gang of killers in Indian Territory is going to steal Jim that night**. When Huck goes to basement to get Butter, Salley catches him, goes to Sitting Room, see 15 armed gunmen ready for the Indians. Slips away (Again, Vague, Look for stuff later). The three escape through the hole. **Tom gets caught on splinter, snakes, makes noise, bullets/dogs go after them. They get away, but Tom is shot in the leg**. Tom wants to bandage it himself, Huck went for Doc, Jim hide until doctor is gone. Huck is discovered by Uncle Silas, hears how worried Salley is, they go back, tells some exaggerated stories, Salley doesn't lock door, but tells him don't run again. Stays in his room that night because of her kindness. Tom later wears the bullet around his neck, escaped through a tunnel. W/o Huck, Jim has to greet doctor, losses freedom again. Tom brought home next day on mattress, delirious, Jim chained again, but Doctor puts in a good word for him. When Tom came to, explained the entire plan, non-anonymous letter, all the fun. **Jim was set free 2 months ago by Miss Watson's will**. Whole plan was for adventure only, Aunt Polly comes back from St. Petersburg, identities of Tom as Sid and Huck as Tom revealed. Jim is outta chains, Tom gives him \$40 for being a patient prisoner. Dead man in the floating house is Pap. Tom wears bullet around neck, but Huck leaves because Aunt Salley wants to civilize him and he can't take that again.

### Internet

When Huck arrives at the Phelps plantation, he is greeted by a woman who thinks that he is Tom Sawyer, and the woman is Aunt Sally, Tom Sawyer's Aunt. Because Huck knows Tom so well, he is able to make up stories so that he can play the role of Tom Sawyer.

Huck then leaves towards town saying that he is getting his luggage, and he runs into the real Tom Sawyer. At first Tom thinks that Huck is a ghost, but Huck convinces him otherwise, and also convinces him to help him get Jim to freedom. When they arrive at the Phelps plantation, Tom convinces Aunt Sally that he is really Sid Sawyer.

The two find Jim chained up as a prisoner in a hut behind the house. Huck's plan to free him involves stealing the key, freeing Jim, and getting back on the raft, and go back down the river. However, Tom finds the plan too simple, and changes the plan to digging a hole underneath the hut, sawing off the leg of the bed that Jim is chained to, then using a rope ladder, having Jim break out the window.

Throughout their attempts to free Jim, they encounter many difficulties with Tom's elaborate plan, but eventually, the plan is ready to go. The previous night before the escape, Tom tells the Phelps that Indians are planning on stealing Jim. So the next day rolls around, Huck get's caught for stealing butter sent to the "setting-room" there he sees a bunch of farmers with guns who are waiting for the Indians to come, and then Huck slips away to join Tom and Jim. The three escape as planned, and while they are doing so, Tom makes some noise, and the men shoot at them, and Tom get's shot in the leg.

Huck makes up an elaborate story to the doctor who takes care of Tom. Then Aunt Sally catches Huck and punishes him by making him stay in his room. Meanwhile Jim is chained up again, and this time he has a guard to watch him. The next day, Tom is delirious from the gun shot wound, as soon as he gains consciousness, he tells Aunt Sally the whole story, and also tells them that Jim is supposed to be free because Miss Watson freed him in her will.

Finally Aunt Polly comes up from St Petersburg, and reveals the true identities of Tom and Huck. Then Jim is released from his chains, and Tom gives him 40 dollars for being a prisoner and finally in an exciting conclusion, well, I'll let the book finish it.....

*....But I reckon I got to light out for the Territory ahead of the rest, Because Aunt Sally she's going to adopt me and sivilize me and I can't stand it. I've been there before*

### **Other Points You Should Know**

Well, I don't have time to read the book, so I'm leaving this section out. Unless he gives a super easy test like he did last time, you won't get a 10 memorizing this, so lower your expectations...