

Bookfolio for **Where the Lilies Bloom**

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Recommended for: [Grades 5-8](#)

Classification: Fiction

Genre: [Realistic Fiction](#)

Story Summary: This is a moving story of a fourteen-year-old girl, Mary Call Luther, who tries to keep her brother and sisters together after their father dies. Mary Call lives in the Great Smokey Mountains, where people are free, proud, and aching poor. She is a determined and resourceful girl who struggles to preserve the dignity and independence of her family against frightening obstacles. She and her brother bury their father to avoid the cost of a preacher and an undertaker. She conceals his death to prevent the neighbors from sending the four Luther children to a charity home. The family takes up wildcrafting to make a living and learns the value of resourcefulness in the face of extreme poverty. At times funny, at times sad, the book gives a vivid and fascinating picture of life in the Great Smokey Mountains, what an old hymn calls the land "Where the Lilies Bloom So Fair."

Read-aloud Recommendation: Chapter Four, pages 45-53.

The skills for each activity are identified by the following abbreviations:

R=Reading, W=Writing, S=Speaking, L=Listening, D=Drawing

Where the Lilies Bloom - Independent Activities	Skills
1. Gifts From the Authors (Writing a letter)	W
2. Romey's Journal (Writing a journal entry)	S , W
3. A Character Sketch (Writing about character development)	W
4. The Roof Collapse (Making a diorama)	D , S
5. Problem Solving (Writing from personal experience)	W
6. The Great Smokey Mountains (Researching a topic)	R , S , W
Where the Lilies Bloom - Group Activities	Skills
1. Common Themes (Discussing similarities in themes)	S , W
2. Mary: Before and After (Analyzing character)	D , S , W
3. A Different Ending (Writing new endings)	S , W
4. The Important Things in Life (Discussing values)	R , S
5. Wildcrafting (Illustrating nature)	D , R , W
6. "Lets Talk About..." (Discussing the story)	L , S

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