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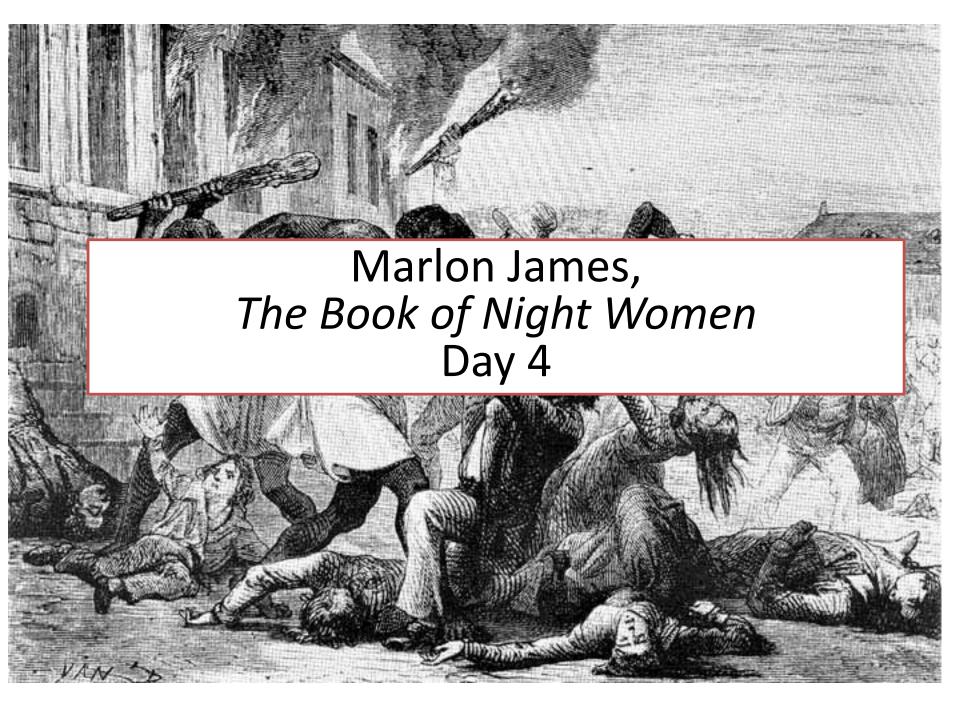


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Today

"Walk in a circle" passage
Details of murders 226-230
Consequences Lilith actions
Francine

Details of murders 226-230

- 1. Where do you see the following categories?
 - Lilith's thoughts re woman in the dark
 - Roget's own actions
 - Lilith's actions
 - Lilith's thoughts re: being tortured
 - Lilith's thoughts re: Robert Quinn
- 2. How does the category connect to other material from the book?

Night Women and Joseph Andrews

- James, then, presents a complicated account of Lilith and Andrews—the novel is simultaneously alienating, inspiring, and comforting.
- What does this suggest about the complications of James's own account of slavery?

Respond to this passage

"Every Negro walk in a circle. Take that and make of it what you will. But sometime the circle squeeze in on itself and get smaller and smaller like a mark, or a head. A head so small that the negro have one chance to stomp it with her foot, stomp it good. Lilith know. She learn and she learn it good. Plenty things be a sin, but every sin come with temptation and chance" (223)