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Network Theory And Applications
The novel opens with Aunt Polly scrounging the house in search of her nephew, Tom Sawyer. She finds him in the closet, discovers that his hands are covered in ink, and prepares to give him a whipping. Tom cries out theatrically, “Look behind you!” and when Aunt Polly turns, Tom escapes over the fence. After Tom is gone, Aunt Polly reflects sadly on Tom’s mischief and how she lets him get away with too much.

Tom comes home at supper with a burnt finger and wears an air of importance. With a long sad story about his adventures. During supper, Aunt Polly suggests he should be skipped school that afternoon and sent over to the courthouse garden to pick up a few weeds. Tom instead suggests he stay home and helps his mother sew a new dress. Aunt Polly is satisfied, and Tom is left to entertain himself in the next room.

Tom goes out of the house in search of his friend, Huckleberry Finn. Tom and the new arrival are quickly brought together. Tom and Huck make a quick friendship and eventually choose the newcomer as the way home.

When he returns home in the evening, Tom finds Aunt Polly waiting for him. She notices his dirtied clothes and resolves to make him work the next day, a Saturday, as punishment.

On Saturday morning, Aunt Polly sends Tom out to whitewash the fence. Jim passes by, and Tom tries to get him to do some of the whitewashing in return for a “white alley,” a kind of marble. Jim almost agrees, but Aunt Polly appears and chases him off, leaving Tom alone with his task.