1. Record Nr. UNINA9910148874403321 Autore Hawthorne Nathaniel Titolo Scarlet Letter Pubbl/distr/stampa HarperCollins UK **ISBN** 0-00-721849-4 Disciplina 813/.3 Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Musica Livello bibliografico Monografia Sommario/riassunto 'Ah, but let her cover the mark as she will, the pang of it will be always in her heart.'A tale of sin, punishment and atonement, The Scarlet Letter exposes the moral rigidity of a 17th-Century Puritan New England community when faced with the illegitimate child of a young mother. Regarded as the first real heroine of American fiction, it is Hester Prynne's strength of character that resonates with the reader when her harsh sentence is cast. It is in her refusal to reveal the identity of the father in the face of her accusers that Hawthorne champions his heroine and berates the weakness of Society for

attacking the innocent.