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Sommario/riassunto	Septima Poinsette Clark's gift to the civil rights movement was education. In the mid-1950s, this former public school teacher

developed a citizenship training program that enabled thousands of African Americans to register to vote and then to link the power of the ballot to concrete strategies for individual and communal empowerment. This vibrantly written biography places Clark (1898-1987) in a long tradition of southern African American activist educators, women who spent their lives teaching citizenship by helping people to help themselves. *Freedom's Teacher* traces Clark's

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