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Copper Sun, 2006 – Characters

Amari – The 15-year-old protagonist from the Ewe tribe in West Africa.

Polly – A 15-year-old white indentured servant purchased by Derby on the same day as Amari.

Teenie – The diminutive but larger-than-life slave cook at Derby's plantation.

Tidbit – Teenie's young son.

Mr. Derby – The cruel white plantation owner who purchases Amari.

Clay Derby – Mr. Derby's equally cruel 16-year-old son who fully believes in the institution of slavery.

Afi – An older enslaved woman who becomes a motherly figure to Amari.

Besa – Amari's fiancé in Africa.

Mrs. Derby – A young wife struggling with her role.

Dr. Hoskins – Helps Amari to escape.