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*To Kill a Mockingbird*  
Chapters 1-11 Study Guide

**Basic Comprehension/Quiz Questions**

Chapters 1-3 Identify:

1. Atticus Finch,
2. Jean Louise (Scout) Finch,
3. Jem Finch, Maycomb,
4. Calpurnia,
5. Charles Baker (Dill) Harris,
6. The Radley Place
7. Stephanie Crawford
8. Arthur (Boo) Radley,
9. Miss Caroline Fisher
10. Walter Cunningham
11. and Burris Ewell.

12. What did Dill dare Jem to do?

13. What was Scout's first "crime" at school?

14. What was Calpurnia's fault?

15. Why did Scout rub Walter Cunningham's nose in the dirt?

16. Scout said, " He ain't company, Cal, he's just a Cunningham." What did she mean by that, and what was Cal's answer?

17. What two mistakes did Miss Caroline make on the first day of school?

18. Why didn't the Ewells have to go to school?

Chapters 4-7

19. What did Scout and Jem find in the Radleys' tree?

20. Identify Mrs. Dubose.

21. How did Jem get even with Scout for contradicting him about "Hot Steams?"

22. What was the Boo Radley game?

23. Identify Miss Maudie.

24. What does Miss Maudie think of the Radleys?

25. Why do Dill and Jem want to give Boo Radley a note? What does Atticus say when he finds out about their plan?

26. How did Jem lose his pants? What did he find when he went back for them?

27. What else did Jem and Scout find in the Radleys' tree?

28. Why would there be no more surprises in the tree?

Chapters 8-9

29. What happened to Miss Maudie's house? What was her reaction?

30. Identify Cecil Jacobs.

31. What "disaster" happened at Christmas between Scout and Francis?

32. What did Scout's Uncle Jack learn from Scout and Atticus?

Chapters 10-11

33. What brave thing does Atticus do in Chapter 10? Why are Scout and Jem shocked?

34. What did Jem do when Mrs. Dubose said Atticus "lawed for niggers?"

35. What was Jem's punishment?

36. What did Jem learn from his encounter with Mrs. Dubose and following her death?

### **AP Questions (Final Test Prep)**

Be sure to use textual evidence in your response and analyze your quote.

#### **Chapter 1**

37. What narrative point of view does Harper Lee use to begin the story?

38. Why does Jem take three days to accept Dill's dare and go up to the Radleys' home? What theme is Lee introducing with Jem's response to Dill's dare?

39. What is the allusion that Lee makes in the following passage?

There was no hurry, for there was nowhere to go, nothing to buy and no money to buy it with, nothing to see outside the boundaries of Maycomb County. But it was a time of vague optimism for some of the people: Maycomb County had recently been told that it had nothing to fear but fear itself. (pp. 5 – 6)

#### **Chapter 2**

40. How does Harper Lee show that Miss Caroline is not familiar with Maycomb customs?

41. What could be Lee's motivation for having Miss Caroline come from another county rather than from Maycomb?

### **Chapter 3**

42. The reader learns that Scout and Jem's mother is dead, and they have an African-American housekeeper named Calpurnia. What significance does Calpurnia have for the plot?

### **Chapter 4**

43. Briefly describe the symbolism of Scout's nickname and how it is appropriate.

44. What literary device is Lee using in the following quotation?

"...some tinfoil was sticking in a knot hole just above my eye level, winking at me in the afternoon sun." (p. 33)

### **Chapter 5**

45. Based on Atticus' conversations with the children, briefly describe his attitude toward the Radleys. What conclusions can the reader infer about Atticus' character?

### **Chapter 6**

46. How does Lee use light and darkness to create suspense in this chapter?

### **Chapter 7**

47. What is ironic about Jem's telling Scout about the pants on this specific day?

48. What does Jem's reticence to cry in front of Scout foreshadow?

## **Chapter 8**

49. What is ironic about Mr. Avery's allusion to the Rosetta Stone? How does Scout show that she does not know Mr. Avery's purpose for using this allusion?

50. What does the blanket symbolize?

## **Chapter 9**

51. How does Lee use Scout's innocence as a vehicle to explain Atticus' attitude toward African-Americans?

## **Chapter 10**

52. In the following quotation, what is the meaning of "tooth and nail," and what type of literary expression is this?

"I would not fight publicly for Atticus, but the family was private ground. I would fight anyone from a third cousin upwards tooth and nail." (p. 90)

53. How does Lee introduce the significance of the book's title? What does it symbolize?

## **Chapter 11**

54. What does Lee show about Atticus' character when Scout asks him the meaning of "nigger-lover?" (p. 108)