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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

To Kill a Mockingbird

Author:

Harper Lee

Date Started:

Date Finished:

Keep reading. Keep wondering.
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How to Answer

Your answer does not have to be perfect. Just answer in complete thoughts and use details from the chapter.

How to structure your answer

A strong answer usually has a few parts. Try these steps:

1. **Answer the question.** Start with one sentence that answers the question directly.
2. **Give an example.** Add a detail or moment from the chapter that shows what you mean.
3. **Explain why.** Tell why it mattered, or how it made you think or feel.
4. **Wrap it up.** Finish with a closing thought, a question, or a prediction.

Chapter 3: Atticus tells Scout to try to see things from another person's point of view. How could this advice help Scout at school or at home?

Example answer: I think Atticus's advice could help Scout not get angry so quickly. If she thinks about why Miss Caroline is confused, she might understand that her teacher is new and does not know Maycomb yet. This advice could also help me because sometimes people act in a way I do not understand at first. If I try to see their side, I might be kinder and solve the problem better.

Chapter 31

Chapter 31: Scout stands on Boo Radley's porch and sees the neighborhood from his point of view. How has Scout changed from the beginning of the book to the end?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 10: Atticus says it is a sin to kill a mockingbird because mockingbirds only make music for others. What do you think the mockingbird might symbolize in the story?

Example answer: I think the mockingbird stands for innocent people who do not hurt anyone. A mockingbird just sings, so hurting it would be cruel and unfair. In the story, some characters are treated badly even though they are gentle or kind. This symbol helps me notice when the world of the book is not fair.

Chapter 31: Scout stands on Boo Radley's porch and sees the neighborhood from his point of view. How has Scout changed from the beginning of the book to the end?

Example answer: At the beginning, Scout mostly thinks of Boo as a scary mystery because that is what the children imagine. By the end, she understands that Boo is a real person with feelings. When she stands on his porch, she finally does what Atticus taught her and sees the world from someone else's view. I think Scout has become more thoughtful and more grown-up.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1: What do you learn about Scout, Jem, Dill, and the town of Maycomb in this first chapter? How does the way people talk about Boo Radley make you curious about him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

Chapter 30: Heck Tate and Atticus disagree about what to say happened to Bob Ewell. Why does Scout understand that protecting Boo is the right thing to do?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

Chapter 29: Scout explains what happened during the attack and realizes Boo Radley is in the room. How does this moment change the way she sees Boo?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: Scout is excited to start school, but her first day does not go the way she hopes. Why does she feel misunderstood by Miss Caroline, and what does this show about Scout?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: Atticus tells Scout to try to see things from another person's point of view. How could this advice help Scout at school or at home?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

Chapter 28: Scout and Jem are attacked on the way home from the pageant. How does the author build fear and confusion in this scene?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

Chapter 27: Bob Ewell causes trouble for several people, and the Halloween pageant is planned. What clues in this chapter make you predict that something dangerous may happen?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: Scout and Jem find surprises in the knothole of the tree. What do these gifts make you wonder about the person leaving them?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: Miss Maudie explains some things about Boo Radley that are different from the children's rumors. How does she help Scout think about Boo in a new way?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

Chapter 26: Scout thinks about Boo Radley again and notices unfair thinking at school. How does this chapter show that people can miss unfairness when it is close to them?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Chapter 25: People in Maycomb react to Tom Robinson's death in different ways. What do their reactions show about kindness, prejudice, and responsibility?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: Jem goes back to the Radley place to get his pants. What does this choice show about Jem's personality, and do you think he made the right decision?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: Jem and Scout keep finding gifts in the tree, but then the knothole is filled with cement. How do you think Jem feels, and why is this moment important?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Chapter 24: Aunt Alexandra's group talks about helping people far away, but they ignore unfairness close to home. What lesson about hypocrisy, or saying one thing and doing another, can you find in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

Chapter 23: Atticus explains more about the trial, the jury, and Bob Ewell's anger. What does this chapter teach Jem and Scout about fairness and growing up?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: During the fire at Miss Maudie's house, someone quietly puts a blanket around Scout. What does this event suggest about Boo Radley?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: Scout gets angry when people insult Atticus for defending Tom Robinson. What does Atticus want Scout to learn about courage and self-control?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Chapter 22: After the trial, Miss Maudie talks to Jem and Scout about people who tried to help. How does she give them hope even after something unfair happened?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Chapter 21: The jury says Tom Robinson is guilty. How do Scout, Jem, and the people in the balcony react, and what does this tell you about the verdict?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: Atticus says it is a sin to kill a mockingbird because mockingbirds only make music for others. What do you think the mockingbird might symbolize in the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11: Atticus says Mrs. Dubose was brave even though she was often mean to Jem and Scout. What kind of courage does Mrs. Dubose show?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Chapter 20: Atticus gives his closing speech to the jury. What main message is he trying to make them understand?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Chapter 19: Tom Robinson tells his side of the story. What does his testimony help you understand about him and about the unfairness he faces?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: Scout and Jem visit Calpurnia's church and see a different part of Maycomb. What do they learn about Calpurnia and her community?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13: Aunt Alexandra comes to live with the Finch family and talks a lot about family background. How is her view of what makes a person important different from Atticus's view?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Chapter 18: Mayella Ewell gives her testimony and seems both lonely and scared. How does the author help you feel more than one emotion about Mayella?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Chapter 17: In the courtroom, Heck Tate and Bob Ewell tell what they say happened. What details seem important, and what questions do they make you ask?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Chapter 14: Dill runs away and comes to Scout's house. What might Dill's actions tell us about how he is feeling and what he needs from others?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Chapter 15: Scout speaks to Mr. Cunningham outside the jail, and the angry crowd leaves. Why do you think Scout's simple words make such a big difference?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Chapter 16: Many people come to town for Tom Robinson's trial. What does the crowd's behavior show about Maycomb and how important the trial is?

New word I learned:

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