**To Kill a Mockingbird**

**Guided Reading Questions**

**Chapters 4 & 5**

1. **Explain why Scout goes back to the Radley Place one afternoon.** Scout does back to the Radley Place one afternoon because one tree attracted her attention. When going to the tree, Scout reaches into the hole and finds two pieces of chewing gum without their outer wrappers.
2. **What is the neighborhood’s opinion of Mrs. Dubose?** The neighbors think that Mrs. Dubose is the meanest old woman who ever lived. The neighbors think that she is very mean.
3. **What does Jem say about the “Indian-heads” they find in the knothole of the tree?** Jem tells Scout that the Indian heads that they found in the knothole of the tree represents the fortune of good health and good luck. He claims these are very valuable to somebody.
4. **What new “game” do Jem, Scout, and Dill play?** The new game that Jem, Scout and Dill played Boo Radley. This game, they would pretend to be different members of the Radley family. They sort of did a roleplay of the Radley family.
5. **After Atticus catches the children with the scissors, what is Jem’s reaction? What is Scout’s and why?** Jem’s reaction with being caught with scissors is him saying that he thought they could play the game because Atticus didn’t say otherwise. Scout’s reaction was different, because he thought Atticus knew they were playing Boo Radley and thinks that they won’t be able to play the game anymore.
6. **Explain why Scout becomes annoyed with Dill.** Scout becomes annoyed with Dill because Jem and Dill excluded Scout from their plans. Dill is spending time with Jem and is ignoring Scout.
7. **What does Miss Maudie tell Scout about “some kind of men”?** Miss Maudie tells Scout that some men are too busy worrying about the next world, they had never learned to live in this one.
8. **What is Jem and Dill’s plan to contact Boo Radley?** Jem and Dill’s plan to contact Boo Radley is to put a note on the end of the fishing pole, and then stick it through the stutters.
9. **What order does Atticus give the children regarding Boo?** The order that Atticus give the children regarding Boo is to stop agonizing him, and that making fun of the neighbor is not fun.
10. **When Jem talks about the Hot Steams, Scout tells him, “Calpurnia says that’s n\*\*\*\*r talk.” When Scout tells Miss Maudie the stories about Boo Radley, “That is three-fourths colored folks…” What are both Cal and Maudie implying?** Calpurnia and Maudie are both implying that African-Americans only believe superstitions and stories that are very exaggerated.