**To Kill a Mockingbird**

**Guided Reading Questions**

**Chapters 21 & 22**

1. **What does Jem think when Atticus calls them from the balcony?** Jem thinks that Atticus won the trial when Atticus calls them from the balcony.
2. **Describe Cal’s reaction to the children having been at the trial. What is Aunt Alexandra’s reaction?** Cal’s reaction to the children being at the trail was being upset. She was upset at Jem for taking Scout to the trial. She yells at all of the children.
3. **What is Reverend Sykes’ response to Jem’s certainty the jury will find Tom Robinson innocent?** Reverend Sykes’ response to Jem’s certainty the jury will find Tom Robinson innocent is to not be overconfident.
4. **When the jury returns, what does Scout observe about them?** Scout notices that the jury does not look at Tom Robinson.
5. **What is Atticus’ response to Alexandra’s attempt to say the children shouldn’t have witnessed the trial?** Atticus’ response to Alexandra’s attempt to say the children shouldn’t have witnessed the trial. He needs to learn how to cope with the people in their town.
6. **What is Atticus’ response to Jem’s question about how the jury could have convicted Tom?** Atticus’ response to Jem’s question about how the jury could have convicted Tom was that these situations will only keep happening. These verdicts have happened before and will keep happening.
7. **What causes Atticus’ eyes to fill with tears?** Atticus’ eyes fills up with tears because of the black community’s gifts and thanks. He is in tears of joy.
8. **What does Miss Maudie say about Atticus’ ability to have kept the jury out for so long?** Miss Maudie says that Atticus’ ability to have kept the jury out for so long was a baby step towards equality. This is because Atticus’ ability to convince people, make people think about their own reflections and privileges.
9. **What had Bob Ewell done to Atticus?** Bob Ewell goes to Atticus’ office and spits in his face. Ewell cusses him out and said that he will get Atticus.
10. **Scout notices Miss Maudie has made only two little cakes instead of three. When Miss Maudie cuts a piece for Jem from the big cake, she says they understood. What does Miss Maudie’s action signify?** Because Miss Maudie has only made two little cakes instead of three little cakes signifies that one of them grew up. Then, when Jem gets a piece of the big cake, that means that Jem is no longer a child.
11. **Atticus tells Alexandra that, “We’ve made it this way for them, they might as well learn to cope with it.” What is Atticus referring to? What is he implying about the adults of Maycomb?** Atticus is implying that the adults of Maycomb are racist and they should just accept it.
12. **Dill’s reaction to the travesty of Tom Robinson’s conviction is to say he’s going to be a clown when he grows up since, “there ain’t one thing in this world I can do about folks except laugh.” What is your reaction to Dill’s conclusion? What had Dill done at the trial? What else might Dill do?** My reaction to Dill’s conclusion is understanding because he is comprehending now that he realizes that the townspeople are horrible people. Dill started to cry uncontrollably because he was upset at the trial. Dill might try to do something about this. Such as advocate for the rights of individuals.