

Answer the following questions in full sentences and explain your responses to the best of your ability.

Write your answers on lined paper.

1. Describe the strange occurrence that Jem explains upon retrieving his trousers?
2. In your opinion is there any significance in the gifts that have been left behind for Scout and Jem? Is there a connection or symbolism between them?
3. Why might have Nathan Radley lied about cementing the hole in the tree to prevent future gifts from being left there?
4. Explain the symbolism between the snow on the ground and the fire that burns Miss Maudie's house.
5. What is the importance of the blanket that is given to Scout?
6. Why does Atticus tell Jem not to let his discovery of the blanket's origin "inspire" him to "further glory"? What does this mean and is there a possibility that Jem might now do what his father says?
7. What is Atticus' reason for choosing to defend Tom Robinson despite the community's general feelings?
8. Summarize Aunt Alexandra's feelings towards Scout. Why might this be so?
9. Explain why Atticus may have wanted Scout to hear his conversation with Uncle Jack as evidenced by the last line of Chapter Nine.
10. In your own words, (and in a paragraph or two), try to offer an explanation for Atticus' question on page 88 regarding people's reaction to "anything involving a negro", (though you may refer to the reaction of people over anything 'controversial', be it racial or otherwise).