To Kill a Mockingbird- Chapters 12-16 questions

Chapter 12

- 1. Describe the relationship between Jem and Scout now.
- 2. What is disappointing about this summer?
- 3. Where does Calpurnia take the children on Sunday?
- 4. What is different about Calpurnia when she is at this church?
- 5. Why doesn't Calpurnia speak "good English" when she is with her church friends?
- 6. What unpleasant surprise do the children receive as they return home from church?

Chapter 13

- 1. Why is Aunt Alexandra staying with the Finch family?
- 2. Describe Aunt Alexandra.
- 3. How does Atticus feel about the sentiments of his sister?
- 4. Is Aunt Alexandra unique in the town of Maycomb?

Chapter 14

1. What does Aunt Alexandra suggest about Calpurnia?

- 2. Why does Alexandra want Calpurnia sent away?
- 3. What does Scout find in her bedroom when she is sent to bed?
- 4. Scout says, "Jem broke the remaining code of our childhood." What does she mean?
- 5. Contrast Scout's home life with Dill's home life.

Chapter 15

- 1. What does it mean in Maycomb when grown men stand outside in the front yard instead of coming into the house?
- 2. What side does Aunt Alexandra take (concerning the trial)?
- 3. What is Atticus worried about when he sits in front of the jail?
- 4. Give two of Atticus's sayings which Scout considers important.
- 5. Do you think Atticus would have been in real danger without the intervention of Scout? Why or why not?
- 6. Which side are Heck Tate (the sheriff) and Mr. Underwood (the publisher) on?

Chapter 16

- 1. What does Atticus say about a mob? Use textual evidence.
- 2. Is Miss Maudie the kind of woman who would go to the trial just out of curiousity?
- 3. What is peculiar about Mr. Dolplus Raymond?
- 4. What happens to Jem and Scout as a result of the crowding in the courthouse?