

To Kill a Mockingbird

Chapter 9

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Vocabulary: gastric(adj), ringworm(n), legislature(n), rehash(v)

1. Why does Cecil Jacobs call Scout a coward?
2. For what reason is Atticus defending Tom Robinson?
3. Does Atticus expect to win the case with Tom Robinson?
4. According to Atticus, how are things different this time?
5. How does Scout apply Atticus's "simple trick"?
6. What does Scout really mean when she compares her aunt to Mount Everest?
7. Why does Scout lie when she hears about Francis's gift?*
8. According to Aunt Alexandra, how should Scout "deport" herself or behave?
9. Identify two reasons for Scout to "collar" Francis?
10. Why does she punch him?
11. How does Atticus respond to Aunt Alexandra's idea that Scout should behave like a sunbeam?
12. How does Aunt Alexandra feel about Atticus defending Tom Robinson?
13. Why does Scout tell Uncle Jack that he does not understand children?
14. For what does Atticus pray?
15. Why do you suppose Atticus wanted Scout to hear his conversation with Uncle Jack?*