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**Chapter One**

- Find and note at least three details that explain the background of the Finch family.
- Find and note at least three details that describe Charles Baker Harris.
- Find and note at least three details describing Boo Radley’s story.
- Margin Notes: Why do you think the children are so fascinated with Boo Radley?

**Chapter Two**

- Find and note at least three details that describe Scout’s school.
- Margin Notes: Explain how the Cunningham family paid their debt to Atticus for lawyer fees.
- Miss Caroline is clearly disconnected from the students in her new school. Find and note at least three details that demonstrate this disconnect.

**Chapter Three**

- Find and note at least three details that describe Walter Cunningham.
- Margin Notes: Why does Calpurnia pull Scout into the kitchen to give her a lecture?
- Margin Notes: Explain the compromise that Scout and Atticus reach regarding reading. What does this exchange say about Atticus as a father?
To Kill a Mockingbird—Annotation Notes for Chapters 4-6

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**Chapter Four**
- Over the next few chapters, Scout and Jem begin to find random items in the knothole. Find and note **ALL OF THE ITEMS** that the children find in the knothole
- Margin Notes: Why does Jem make Scout spit out the gum?
- Find and note the result of the “tire game” when Scout takes a turn.
- Find and note at least **three specific details** describing the Boo Radley acting game.

**Chapter Five**
- Margin Notes: Why does Scout start to spend more time hanging out with Miss Maudie?
- Find and note at least **three details that describe** Miss Maudie
- Margin Notes: Explain Jem and Dill’s attempt to contact Boo Radley.

**Chapter Six**
- Find and note at least **three specific details** describing the children’s late night visit to the Radley yard.
- Margin Notes: What happens to Jem’s pants?
- Margin Notes: What did Nathan Radley think he was shooting at in the back yard?
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**Chapter Seven**
- Margin Notes: Jem went back to get his pants, what was strange about the pants when he found them?
- Find and note **all of the other items** that appear in the knothole.
- Margin Notes: What happens to the knothole?

**Chapter Eight**
- Find and note at least **three details** that describe the snowstorm and the snowman that the children build.
- Find and note at least **three details** that describe Miss Maudie’s house fire.
- Margin Notes: Who drapes the blanket over Scout’s shoulders? What was Scout’s reaction when she figured this out?

**Chapter Nine**
- Find and note the reason for Scout’s fight with Cecil Jacobs.
- Margin Notes: Atticus says that defending Tom Robinson is a case he cannot hope to when. Why, then, does he agree to take the case?
- Scout gets into a fight with Francis. Find and note the reason for this fight.
- Margin Notes: Summarize the conversation that Scout overhears between Uncle Jack and Atticus.
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To Kill a Mockingbird—Annotation Notes for Chapters 10-14

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Chapter Ten
- Find and note at least three details that explain how Atticus is different from other fathers in town.
- Margin Notes: What does Atticus do that completely changes the way that the children view Atticus? How has their perception changed?
- Miss Maudie shares one of Atticus’ nicknames from childhood. Find and note this nickname?

Chapter Eleven
- Find and note at least three details that describe Mrs. Dubose.
- Margin Notes: What, specifically, does Jem do to Mrs. Dubose’s flower bushes?
- As a punishment, Jem must visit Mrs. Dubose’s house every day for a while. Find and note at least three details that describe Jem’s punishment.
- Margin Notes: Explain why the reading sessions lasted longer and longer each day. What was the point of these reading sessions?
- Find and note the description of Mrs. Dubose’s gift to Jem.

Chapter Twelve
- Find and note at least three details describing the children’s visit to Calpurnia’s church.
- Find and note Reverend Sykes’ description of the special collection.
- Margin Notes: Scout can’t understand why anyone would believe the word of Bob Ewell, whom the whole town despises. How does this statement summarize the town’s attitude towards the black people in town?

Chapter Thirteen
- Margin Notes: Why has Aunt Alexandria come to Maycomb?
- Aunt Alexandria describes a term she calls “family consciousness.” Find and note least three examples of “family consciousness” in the chapter.

Chapter Fourteen
- Scout asks Atticus the definition of a word. Find and note this question.
- Margin Notes: What, exactly, do the children find underneath Scout’s bed?
- Find and note at least three details describing Dill’s journey.
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**Chapter Fifteen**
- Margin Notes: Why has Heck Tate come to the Finch house to talk to Atticus?
- Find and note **at least three details** that describe the children’s journey into town.
- Margin Notes: The lynch mob poses a very real threat to Atticus, Tom, and even the children. Explain how Scout very innocently causes the lynch mob to leave without causing any problems.
- Find and note Mr. Underwood’s comment to Atticus about having him covered.

**Chapter Sixteen**
- Find and note **at least three details** that describe Mr. Dolphus Raymond.
- Margin Notes: Where do the children wind up sitting during the trial?

**Chapter Seventeen**
- Find and note **at least three details** regarding Heck Tate’s testimony.
- Find and note **at least three details** describing Bob Ewell and his family.
- Margin Notes: Explain why Atticus has Bob Ewell write his name. Why is this significant?
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Chapter Eighteen
- Find and note at least three details from Mayella Ewell’s testimony.
- Margin Notes: What happened to Tom Robinson’s left hand?
- Find and note Mayella’s outburst at the end of Atticus’ questioning.

Chapter Nineteen
- Find and note at least three details from Tom Robinson’s testimony.
- Margin Notes: Explain what really happened between Mayella and Tom.
- Margin Notes: Why does Dill leave the courtroom in tears?

Chapter Twenty
- Find and note the description of Dolphus Raymond’s drink.
- Margin Notes: Why, exactly, does Dolphus Raymond pretend to be a drunk if he doesn’t drink alcohol?
- Find and note the main points of Atticus’ closing arguments, including his final words to the court.
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**Chapter Twenty-One**

- Margin Notes: What does the note that Calpurnia hands to Atticus say?
- Margin Notes: Why is it significant that it took the jury until almost eleven o’clock at night to reach a decision?
- Find and note Scout’s observation about the jury when they return and underline the reaction of Reverend Sykes and the rest of the people in the colored balcony when Atticus walks by.

**Chapter Twenty-Two**

- Margin Notes: Jem complains that his view of Maycomb has been shattered. Explain what he means by this.
- Find and note three points that Miss Maudie makes to try to convince Jem that people’s ideas in Maycomb are changing.
- Margin Notes: Describe the confrontation that occurs between Bob Ewell and Atticus.

**Chapter Twenty-three**

- Margin Notes: What will happen to Tom Robinson if he loses his appeal?
- Find and note at least three details from Atticus and Jem’s discussion of justice and jury trials.
- Margin Notes: After discussing the class system, Jem says that maybe Boo Radley doesn’t come out of his house because he doesn’t want to associate with the town. Explain the significance of this observation.
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**Chapter Twenty-Four**
- Find and note the news that Atticus reveals to Scout, Calpurnia, Aunt Alexandria, and Miss Maudie.
- Find and note Aunt Alexandria’s and Miss Maudie’s reaction to the news.
- Margin Note: Scout says that if Aunt Alexandria can act like a lady at a time like this, then so can she. How does this statement represent growth?

**Chapter Twenty-Five**
- Margin Note: Scout notices a recent change in Jem, explain this change.
- Find and note at least two details from Mr. Underwood’s story about Tom Robinson.
- Find and note Bob Ewell’s reaction to the news of Tom’s death.

**Chapter Twenty-Six**
- Margin Notes: Explain how Scout points out the hypocrisy of her teacher, Miss Gates.
- Find and note Jim’s reaction when Scout once again talks about Tom Robinson’s trial.

**Chapter Twenty-Seven**
- Find and note at least three distinct details that show Bob Ewell has a grudge against everyone associated with the Tom Robinson case.
- Margin Notes: Summarize the events that occur at Judge Taylor’s home.
- Find and note the description of Scout’s costume for the “agricultural pageant.”
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**Chapter Twenty-Eight**
- Find and note at least three distinct details that describe the agricultural pageant
- Margin Notes: When Scout and Jem are walking home, they hear noises. Who do they blame for causing these noises?
- Find and note at least three distinct details of the attack that occurs in the dark involving Jem and Scout.
- Margin Notes: How did Jem make it home?
- Find and note Heck Tate’s description of Bob Ewell’s body.

**Chapter Twenty-Nine**
- Margin Notes: According to Heck Tate, what kept Scout safe when Bob Ewell attacked her with a knife?
- Find and note the moment when Scout realizes the identity of the man in the corner.

**Chapter Thirty**
- At first, Atticus believes that Jem killed Bob Ewell. Find and note the moment when he realizes that Boo Radley killed Bob Ewell.
- Margin Notes: Why does Heck Tate insist that the official story will be that Bob Ewell fell on his knife, even though he knows Boo killed him while trying to protect the children?

**Chapter Thirty-One**
- Find and note at least three distinct details that demonstrate Scout’s growth in the novel.
- In a Margin Note, summarize Scout’s growth or “coming of age.”
- Margin Notes: Scout talks about what it is like to “walk in” Boo Radley’s shoes. How does this observation relate to Tom Robinson and the larger themes of the novel.