**Directions:** Answer on a separate sheet of paper using the A.C.E strategy. If you don’t remember it, use your notes in the reference section of your notebook or ask a neighbor. When evidence is asked for, cite your evidence and explain it. Where no evidence is asked for, simply answer by restating the question in your answer.

1. How does To Kill a Mockingbird start?

*To Kill a Mockingbird* starts with the narrator, an adult woman named Jean Louise “Scout” Finch, talking about her brother getting his arm broken at the elbow.

1. What are the two plot lines of the story about?

The two plot lines of the story are about Jem, Scout, and Dill trying to find out about Author “Boo” Radley and Jem and Scout’s father, Atticus, defending a black man, Tom Robinson, from false rape charges.

1. What are the two larger themes of the novel?

The two larger themes of the novel are tolerance and justice represented by the kid’s interest in Boo Radley and Atticus’ defense of Tom Robinson.

1. Where does the origins of the novel take place?

The origins of the novel take place in Harper Lee’s home town of Monroeville, Alabama which is named Macomb in the novel. It is also influenced by her father’s unsuccessful defense of a Blackman and his son accused of murder and the Scottsboro Boys rape trials as well as other infamous rape cases.

1. What first started Lee’s interest in literature and writing?

Lee’s interest in literature and writing came from her father’s interest in literature and writing.

1. How did Harper Lee feel about her father? Use evidence from the text in your answer.

Harper Lee was proud of her father. She wrote To Kill a Mockingbird with her father in mind as the character Atticus. He is the “idolized vision of her father.”

1. When was *To Kill a Mockingbird* first published?

*To Kill a Mockingbird* was fist published on July 11, 1960.

1. What was Harper Lee Like as a child and what character from her novel would like her?

Harper Lee was a “Tom Boy” type and Scout would have liked her.

1. What were her father’s hopes for her as a career and what did she decide to do?

Her father hoped that she would have become a lawyer like her sister.

1. Where does Harper Lee get the idea of her character Dill?

Dill comes from her relationship with Truman Copte.