STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS: CHAPTERS 11-15: To Kill a Mockingbird

Chapter 11

1. (a) What causes Jem to strike out against Mrs. Dubose? (b) As the nature of Mrs. Dubose’s affliction is discovered, what is learned about her character? (c) What does Jem gain from his experience with Mrs. Dubose?

Chapter 12

2. What accounts for the changed relationship between Jem and Scout?

3. What insights do Jem and Scout gain from attending church with Calpurnia?

Chapter 13

4. What elements heighten the contrast between Atticus and Aunt Alexandra? In what ways are the two similar? In what ways are the two different?
Chapter 14

5. Cite examples of prejudice and lack of human understanding.

6. (a) In what way does Jem break the one remaining code of childhood? (b) Further contrast Dill’s home life with Scout’s.

Chapter 15

7. Contrast the two groups of men Atticus faces outside the jail.

8. Explain Jem’s reason for following Atticus to town.

9. Why does the group at the jail disperse after Scout’s talk.