Do you think that it’s more likely that a judge or jury outside of Maycomb will acquit Tom Robinson than the people who know him in Maycomb? Why or why not?

Why do you think Atticus treats it as a fact of life that as the children grow up, they will get used to discrimination? Do you think that’s necessarily the case?

Why do you think Tom Robinson didn’t try to wait for his appeal?

Why do you think getting bad news and seeing her Aunt and Miss Maudie deal with it as they do makes Scout more willing to “be a lady”? What do you think “being a lady” symbolizes in this case that’s positive?

Do you think “being a lady” is generally useful, or just old fashioned? Why? What about it is useful? (And should only girls and women do it?)

What do you think Miss Gates thinks is the difference between Hitler’s treatment of the Jews and the treatment of black people in the United States?

Do you think that the “something” Scout thinks is wrong in Germany is the same thing that makes it easy for her teachers to criticize Hitler but keep discriminating against Black people?

What do you think of the ways in which Mr. Ewell gets his revenge?

What do you think really happened to Bob Ewell?

What do think Atticus believes happened to Bob Ewell?