**Grade 10 – January Exam Review**

**Ms. Matchett**

**Short Story Unit**

Know the following elements of a short story:

-Plot
-Theme
-Setting
-Irony (verbal, dramatic, situational)
-Character
-Point of view

**To Kill a Mockingbird – Questions**

**Chapters 1-6**Discuss the setting of the novel.
Why are the children so obsessed with Boo Radley?
Be familiar with all of the characters and their social standing in Maycomb.

**Chapter 6**Why did the boys not want Scout to come along to the Radley house?
Do you think that the neighbours suspect the kids?
How do Jem and Dill cover up the fact that Jem’s pants are missing?
What is the significance of this excerpt?*"We shouldn'a done that tonight, Scout.* *It was then, I suppose, that Jem and I first began to part company. Sometimes I did not understand him, but my periods of bewilderment were short-lived. This was beyond me."* -p.56

**Chapter 8**Who's house caught on fire?
During the fire, what was placed around Scout's shoulders and who did it?
How are Scout and Jem's reactions to this, different?p.72
What does Jem tell Atticus, and why?

**Chapter 9**What do some of the townspeople think of Tom Robinson's defense?
Why did Atticus accept the case?p.75,76
Why was Aunt Alexandra upset by Scout's attire?
What comments does Francis make about Dill? About Atticus?p.82
How are Uncle Jack and Atticus different in the way they treat
children?

**Chapter 10**Why are the children ashamed of Atticus at the beginning of the chapter?
How do they feel about Atticus by the end of the chapter? Why?
Who is Tim Johnson and to whom does he belong? Why does Heck Tate not shoot
him?
Why won't Jem let Scout talk about the "mad dog" incident at school?
How does Atticus demonstrate courage in this chapter?

**Chapter 11**1. How does Atticus advise Jem to react to Mrs.Dubose’s taunts? Do you agree with his advice?
2. What does Mrs. Dubose say about the way Atticus raises his children?
3. What does Jem do in a "sudden fit of anger"? How do Jem and Scout handle their anger differently?
4. What request does Mrs. Dubose make of Jem? Is this a fair punishment for his “crime”?
5. Atticus says that Mrs. Dubose is a model of real courage rather than “a man with a gun in his
hand”. What does he mean? Do you think he is right?

**Chapters 12-14**What is different about Calpurnia when she is at this church?How had Calpurnia learned to speak good English?Why does the congregation not have hymn books?How is the congregation expected to help the Robinson family?Why will no one hire Tom's wife?How does Aunt Alexandra often refer to the people of Maycomb?What elements of discrimination exist **WITHIN** the white community?Why did Dill run away from home?What action does Jem take that shows he is becoming more of an adult? Why doesn't Scout understand?

**Chapter 15**

Who are the "Sarum Bunch"? Why is Atticus not concerned that they will be a problem?

What is Atticus' fatal flaw?

What do the children notice when they follow Atticus?

How does Scout show her childlike innocence in this scene?

Why is Scout's conversation with Walter Cunningham important?

**Chapter 16**

1. State two traits of Dolphus Raymond.

2. What does Jem say is so sad about having "mixed blood"?

**Chapter 17 (The trial starts in this chapter. Review your trial summary sheet for more info)**

What do we learn from Heck Tate's evidence? What does Atticus's cross-examination show?

What is the Ewell home like?

Why does Atticus ask Bob Ewell to write out his name?

**Chapter 18**

How is Mayella similar and different to her father?

What did Attitcus mean when he said, "What did your father see in the window, the crime of rape or the best defense to it?"

How does Mayella react to Atticus treating her with respect?

**Chapter 20**

What reason does Dolphus Raymond give for drinking his coca-cola out of a brown paper bag?

What is the significance of the following statement made by Dolphus Raymond about Dill: "Things haven't caught up with that one's instinct yet. Let him get a little older and he won't get sick and cry. Maybe things'll strike him as being -- not quite right, say, but he won't cry, not when he gets a few years on him."

**Chapter 22-23**

What is the significance of this statement made by Atticus: "They've done
it before and they did it tonight and they'll do it again and when they do it --
seems like only children weep." - p.213

What changes do we see in Aunt Alexandra's character in this section?

How is Jem affected by the guilty verdict? How might we see this effect Jem through the remainder of the book?

What are some ways that the black community shows its appreciation to Atticus?

How does Atticus react to Bob Ewell's threat (ch.23)? Do you think Atticus is too hopeful? Why or why not?

**Chapter 24**

The missionary ladies claim to worry about the "Mrunas" (a tribe in Africa). How is this ironic? Do you think they are sincere in their worrying?

Explain briefly how Tom was killed. What is Atticus's explanation for Tom's attempted escape? Do you agree with Atticus?

Why does Scout see the value in being ladylike at the end of the chapter?

**Chapters 28-29**

Be able to discuss the play at the school and the events leading up to the death of Bob Ewell.

**Chapter 30**

"God damn it, I'm not thinking of Jem!" Mr.Tate's boot hit the floorboards so hard the lights in Miss Maudie's bedroom went on. Who is Heck Tate thinking of? How does Atticus feel about
"bending" justice in this situation?

Scout says, "Well , it'd be sort of like shootin' a mockingbird wouldn't it?" What is Scout referring to here?

**\*\*Review your theme tracking sheet in order to familiarize yourself with the main themes from the novel.**

**To Kill a Mockingbird Quotation Identification –** Know the speaker, audience, and the significance of the following quotes.

1. "I destroyed his last shred of credibility at that trial, if he had any to begin with. The man had to have some kind of comeback, his kind always does.”
2. “This night my mind was filled with Halloween – there was to be a pageant representing out county’s agricultural products; I was to be a ham. Jem said he would escort me to the school auditorium. Thus began our longest journey together.”
3. Miss Jean Louise, stand up. Your father’s passin’.”
4. "When I went back, they were folded across the fence…like they were expectin' me."
5. "Atticus Finch is the same in his house as he is on the public streets.”
6. “Mockingbirds don’t do one thing but make music for us to enjoy. They don’t eat up people’s gardens, don’t nest in corncribs, they don’t do one thing but sing their hearts out for us. That’s why it’s a sin to kill a mockingbird.”
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8. “I wanted you to see what real courage is, instead of getting the idea that courage is a man with a gun in his hand. It’s when you know you’re licked before you begin but you begin anyway and you see it through no matter what.”
9. “Hush your mouth! Don’t matter who they are, anybody sets foot in this house’s yo comp’ny, and don’t you let me catch you remarkin’ on their ways like you was so high and mighty!”
10. “. . .I hope and pray I can get Jem and Scout through it without bitterness, and most of all, without catching Maycomb’s usual disease.”
11. This was all ‘round the back steps when I got here this morning. They—they ‘preciate what you did...”
12. “What if I talked white-folks’ talk at church, and with my neighbors? They’d think I was puttin’ on airs to beat Moses.”
13. “You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view... Until you climb inside of his skin and walk around in it.”
14. "As Tom Robinson gave his testimony, it came to me that Mayella Ewell must have been the loneliest person in the world. She was even lonelier than Boo Radley who had not been out of the house in twenty-five years.”
15. “The main one is, if I didn’t I couldn’t hold up my head in town, I couldn’t represent this county in the legislature, I couldn’t even tell you or Jem not to do something again.”

**To Kill a Mockingbird Essay Question**

You will be asked to respond to a question about the novel. You will be given 3 questions but only need to choose one. These will be about the bigger ideas/themes of the novel.

* Plan your answer out before you write it. Know what you are going to write and then write. Don't just start writing without an end in mind.
* Have an introduction, body and a conclusion.
* Be sure to reference specific events in the novel.
* If it asks for a certain number of pages, that is how long it needs to be.
* ALWAYS read your instructions carefully.

**Demand Writing**

You will be given a prompt and you will have to write a written response to it. It could be persuasive, opinion, or a narrative.

* YOU MUST SHOW EVIDENCE OF PRE-PLANNING. (Graphic organizers, lists, anything that shows you planned for this)
* If you choose to persuade someone, or it asks your opinion, pick a side and stick to it! Don't flip flop back and forth.

**Close Reading and Response to an Article**

Remember that anything that you hand in to me is a formal piece of writing.

* This means no slang words (kinda, bcuz, idk, etc..)
* Proper spelling, punctuation and capitalization
* Pick a response question and answer it. Don't just give your opinion on the article.
* Your close reading should be full of highlighter and notes in the margins. Try to respond critically and not just with one word comments.