

Everyone deserves fairness

Fairness for all. Everyone deserves fairness. Tom Robinson's case was unfair. The Tom Robinson case was upsetting. The trial should have never made it to the court. It should not matter about what color the person is but what crime the person committed. The whole county of Maycomb should be held to the same standards. No one should be held at a different standard or should have different laws than someone else. Maycomb county has a set of laws. Everyone person who resides in Maycomb county should follow the laws that Maycomb county has set up for the county. The laws that were agreed upon should be followed by all people of the county. Tom Robinson did not have a chance but Tom fought hard for his rights.

Tom Robinson was accused of harming Mayella Ewell. During the trial Mayella Ewell and Tom Robinson testified. The statements that both made were different. Mayella Ewell answered the questions calmly until Atticus asked "did he hit you about the face" Mayella Ewell said "yes sir" and Atticus asked again "did he hit you about the face" and Mayella "said no" and quickly "said yes". Atticus received the answer he wanted and was finished the cross examination. When Tom Robinson was cross examined he answered smoothly until Mr. Gilmer asked him "what happened when Mayella Ewell's father walked in". Tom said before he had come in Ms. Mayella had jumped on him and kissed him on his cheek. Tom said "that he told Ms. Mayella not to kiss him and get off of him". Ms. Mayella did not get off until her father had come home and when he did Tom said, "I ran as fast as I could and did not even look back to see what Mr. Ewell had said". Tom did make one mistake. The mistake was when Mr. Gilmer asked Tom "why do you think Ms. Mayella asked you to do all of this work if the house was full of kids". Tom responded by saying "I do not know but what I do know is I feel sorry for her". When Tom had said that the court room had gone silent. Tom caught his mistake but it was too late. He had already said it. After the cross examinations Atticus and Mr. Gilmer said there closing statements.

The jury took a long time to come to a verdict. The african americans were sitting in balcony. They were also waiting but were nervous about the verdict. The townspeople were also nervous. When the jury finally came out Judge Taylor asked the Jury "have you come to a decision". The jury said "yes we have". "We find Tom Robinson guilty". The african americans who were sitting in the balcony were not happy about the verdict. When judge

Taylor heard the verdict he said “ this court is dismissed” and judge Taylor stood up and opened the door and walked through it and slammed it shut behind him. The townspeople stood up and walked out of the courtroom. The bailiff took Tom away. Atticus chased after him and whispered in his ear. After that Tom was taken away. When Atticus packed up his papers in his briefcase and walked out of the courtroom all of the african americans, Scout, Jem and Dill stood up until Atticus had left the courtroom. Atticus was not happy about the verdict. This trial was not a fair trial.

Tom Robinson never had a history of doing crimes. Tom was a loyal worker for me. He never gave me any trouble. Tom came to work everyday. There was no way that Tom Robinson could have done this crime. The reason being his left arm was shorter than his right arm. His arm had gotten caught in a cotton gin machine. There was no way Tom could have done this. Tom had helped Ms. Mayella before but she usually asked Tom to do something outside in the yard not in the house. I believe that Mr. Ewell did this crime. The reason being Mr. Ewell wrote with his left hand and Ms. Mayella had said she was hit on the left side of her face. Furthermore Ms. Mayella was unsure about her statement when asked if she was hit about the face. Ms. Mayella did not know how to answer the question.

In conclusion Tom Robinson did not have a fair trial. The verdict was not right. The aftermath was out of hand. When Tom Robinson died I was sad. I was sad because I knew that Tom could have fought harder and might get another chance at a fair trial. I also was happy to give his wife Helen a job when no one else would. Last of all Tom Robinson’s trial should have never taken place.