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Trial of Tom Robinson

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The trail of Tom Robinson was a very bad thing that got even worse. My father, Atticus, tried as hard as he could to protect Mr. Tom Robinson, but the people of town did not feel the same way about Mr. Tom. I thought Mr. Tom Robinson was a very nice man who was in the wrong place at the wrong time. I think that people were being mean to him because he was black, when the case was happening my best friend Dill got mad about how bad Mr. Gilmer (who was the lawyer for Bob Ewell) was treating Mr. Tom. I agree with my friend Dill, but at first I didn't care a lot, but now since they killed Mr. Tom I think what the people of the jury did was very bad. I am also mad that the jury didn't want to believe my father, just because they didn't think other people would like it.

Bob Ewell did not say anything that was good or true, but Atticus was very good in his part of the case, my brother Jem said that Atticus would surely win and I thought that too because of how he pointed out that Mr. Tom could not use his one hand and that Bob Ewell was left-handed, I thought that everyone would understand that part but I guess some of the grown folk just didn't. That really confused me, how even though it made perfect sense nobody seemed to understand it, ms. Mayella Ewell seemed like she was just wanting

someone to like her or marry her but she got very sad because nobody was nice to her except for Mr. Tom Robinson. I guess she felt ashamed that the only person who was nice to her was Mr. Tom and then I think she started making up things so people would still like her, she seemed awfully lonely because she had no time for anyone except her dad. She always had to take care of her siblings and do work around the house Those people did the wrong thing in my opinion and it reminds me of a thing that my father told, that is "it is a sin to kill a mockingbird"

I think that means that a mockingbird doesn't do anything wrong so people don't kill them, and I think it is the same with Mr. Tom Robinson, he was innocent and they killed him. I think all the people on the jury have sinned even though i don't really believe in sins but i do believe they did it. During the trial, my father Atticus told all the truth and I think everyone knew it but since Mr. Tom was black and Bob Ewell was white, sometimes when you see a person you just know what they are, I think that Bob Ewell was bad, and I knew it when I first saw him. He and his daughter just seemed like bad people and she seemed really sad to be there, if I were in that case i wouldn't care what color Tom is I would only care that he was innocent just like the mockingbirds that don't deserve to die either.