

# LIBERAL CITIZENS GAZETTE

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The trial of Tom Robinson

## A Lesson Learned

The trial of Tom Robinson took an emotional toll on the community. The trial had a amazing impact on the people of Maycomb. Although the impact consist of different emotions & opinions a lesson that was learned. As to the children this is a life learning lesson on racism. The color of your skin should not affect the way a court system is set up. Everyone is made equal in God's eyes.

Now is the time Maycomb County must move on. You must learn from the mistakes that have been made & better yourself from it. Now is the time to face the fact that the color of your skin has its own meaning behind its story. Moving on is a process that you must be willing as a person yourself to strive towards. Educate your children about racism.

. What happened in the trial was unacceptable . Rape is a capital offense in Alabama. The jury did not take in consideration of other possible evidence. There was no medical evidence of the crime. The fact that Tom Robinson's left hand is dysfunctional, Mr. Ewell is left handed, & the bruise is on the right side of Mayella's face. That right there should have raised questions . Such as when Mayella was asked "is he good to you, is he easy to get along with?" Her response "He does tollable, 'cept when--." "Except when nothing."

She did not complete her full thought. They did not take that into consideration because that could raise suspicion about Mr. Ewell. By that response you might be under the influence that there is a possibility Mayella is being sexually or physically abused.

Racism is real and is not taken lightly. People are racist because they are raised that way. Also because they have been influenced by others who are racist themselves. Educating your child (ren) about racist is necessary. Racism is not something that is just now happening. This has been in a working process before we were born. The effects it has on people can ruin them emotionally. Racism can be the difference between life & death for some. As to Tom Robinson the choices he made, affected him in the worse way by him taking his own life.



The Reverend, Jem, Scout, Dill & the black community sitting in the "reserved" black section on the balcony.



Mayella Ewell on the stand being questioned by Atticus Finch .