**To Kill a Mockingbird Webquest**

**Section One: Biography of** [**Harper Lee**](http://www.kirjasto.sci.fi/harperle.htm)

Use this article also: [Harper Lee](http://www.biography.com/articles/Harper-Lee-9377021)

1. When and where was Harper Lee born?
2. Who was her childhood best friend?
3. What did she study in college? Did she participate in any extra-curricular activities?
4. How did her decision to move to New York make To Kill A Mockingbird a reality?
5. What year was To Kill a Mockingbird published?
6. When was it adapted to screen?

**Section Two:** [**Jim Crow Laws**](http://www.u-s-history.com/pages/h1559.html)

1. Where did the term, "Jim Crow," originate from? How is the origin of this term offensive? List 3 ways.
2. How did the term "Jim Crow" become synonymous with the segregation laws in the South?

9. What Supreme Court case upheld segregation, or "separate but equal?"

10. Who was Rosa Parks? What was her role in the challenge of Jim Crow laws?

11. How were these laws finally invalidated?

**SECTION 3:** [**The Scottsboro Boys**](http://www.law.umkc.edu/faculty/projects/FTrials/scottsboro/SB_acct.html)

12. What were The Scottsboro Boys known for?

13. The Scottsboro Boys’ attorneys were extremely incompetent. How did the defense attorneys show their lack of experience? Please list at least 3 ways in which the defense lawyers were inadequate.

14. Describe the trials. Were they fair or unfair? Please include at least 3 supporting facts to back up your description.

15. Were the Scottsboro Boys ever pardoned of their convictions?