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***To Kill a Mockingbird* ~ Chapter 23 Text Dependent Questions**

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<p>1. What does Atticus's reaction to Bob Ewell's threats and name-calling reveal about his character?</p>	
<p>2. Atticus says, "Jem, see if you can stand in Bob Ewell's shoes a minute. 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. So, if spitting in my face and threatening me saved Mayella Ewell one extra beating, that's something I'll gladly take. He had to take it out on somebody and I'd rather it be me than that houseful of children. You understand?" (292). How does his explanation relate to the Golden Rule?</p>	

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<p>3. “Atticus tells Jem, ‘As you grow older, you’ll see white men cheat black men every day of your life, but let me tell you something and don’t you forget it—whenever a white man does that to a black man, no matter who he is, how rich he is, or how fine a family he comes from, that white man is trash.’</p> <p>Atticus was speaking so quietly his last word crashed on our ears. I looked up, and his face was vehement. “There’s nothing more sickening to me than a low-grade white man who’ll take advantage of a Negro’s ignorance. Don’t fool yourselves—it’s all adding up and one of these days we’re going to pay the bill for it. I hope it’s not in you children’s time” (295).</p> <p>What do you think Atticus means when he says “it’s all adding up”?</p>	

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<p>4. ‘Tom’s jury sho’ made up its mind in a hurry,’ Jem muttered.</p> <p>Atticus’s fingers went to his watchpocket. ‘No it didn’t,’ he said, more to himself than to us. ‘That was the one thing that made me think, well, this may be the shadow of a beginning. That jury took a few hours. An inevitable verdict, maybe, but usually it takes ’em just a few minutes” (297).</p> <p>Why is Atticus so vehement?</p> <p>What does Atticus mean by “shadow of a beginning”? Beginning of what? Explain.</p>	

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