

To kill a mockingbird by harper lee

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respected by everyone. In a society with many bitter prejudice individuals, it was hard to defend a case in that environment. He needed to maintain his social status and go against his people at the same time. The problems added up but Atticus's wise parenting, which he sums up in Chapter 30 by saying, " Before Jem looks at anyone else he looks at me, and I've tried to live so I can look squarely back at him, " (Harper Lee, 366) ultimately wins their respect. He didn't win the trial but at the end of the day he knew his courage was strong and still put up a good fight. Plus the bond of the family grew immensely. Jem experienced the trial at a young age, with a very immature mindset. He was mainly confused and vulnerable. He upholds the commitment of justice that Atticus taught him and maintains it throughout the novel. Atticus prepares Jem for the situation and needed time to understand it. Jem was a optimistic and fair boy. " You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view until you climb into his skin and walk around in it. " (Harper Lee, 39) Atticus preaches to the children to give crucial piece of moral advice. He saw the good sides to things and towards the end of the trial found a positive lesson from it all. His character was a strong person and he acknowledged all sides to the story. He grew up fast and adapted to the situation that was occurring. Jem's courage was major to the novel, because it added extra strength to the families bond. The trial shed him from his innocence but gaining hope all together. Anon once said " Courage is measured by an individual's willingness to continue fighting even when the likelihood of victory is small. " Meaning, the strength you use during a difficult struggle is most important, even if your chances of winning are lessened. In the novel " To Kill a Mocking

Bird" by Harper Lee, she proves the quote to be true through three main characters alone with their characterization. They upheld a strong argument and never gave up in a tough situation like they were given.