



*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee  
Reviewed by Harini



Stand Alone, Coming of Age, Fiction

**Give a summary without spoilers!**

*To Kill a Mockingbird* is a book about a young girl named Scout, growing up in Maycomb, Alabama during the 1930s. Scout goes to school with her brother Jem, although she does not enjoy it very much. Her father, Mr. Atticus Finch, a wise man known by everyone simply tells her to “climb into his skin and walk around in it” to see things from their point of view. Throughout the story, Scout gets into all kinds of shenanigans with Jem and his friend, Dill, finding themselves attempting to gain the attention of Boo Radley, an isolated man. As the summer progressed, Tom Robinson, a black man was convicted for allegedly sexually assaulting Mayella Ewell. As this story takes place in 1930, prejudice against people of color is high and Robinson’s case is met with huge violence. Scout, being a young girl and innocent to the evils of the world, is perplexed as to why people react this way.

**What drew you to this book?**

The setting of the story taking place in the 1930s interested me greatly when choosing this book to read because it conveys the cruel racism that happened in the past, and tells it from the point of view of a 6-year-old girl, who is unbeknownst of what occurred in her neighborhood.

**Did it remind you of something that you've previously read?**

*To Kill a Mockingbird* reminds me of *The Secret Life of Bees*, which is a book in the pov of Lily Owens, a 14-year-old white girl that initially has prejudices against people of color, but eventually learns about how hateful racism really is.

**To whom would you recommend this book?**

I would recommend this book to anyone interested in learning more about prejudice, and how it might be viewed from the perspective of a young girl growing up in a predominantly white neighborhood.

**Overall, did you like it and would you recommend it to others?**

Yes, I liked this book a lot and I would recommend this book to others because it gives good advice through Mr. Atticus Finch.