TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD
Chapters 23 & 24

Name __________________________

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(52 points possible)

I. Fill in (32 points)

Jem and Scout are concerned that 1.) _______________ will do something worse to Atticus. He asks them to 2.) “_______________” in Ewell’s shoes and understand his need to retaliate, adding that there isn’t anything Ewell could do to him. When Jem and Atticus argue about the worth of 3.) _______________, Atticus states any white man who takes advantage of a Negro’s “ignorance” is 4.) “_______________.” Atticus reveals that one of the jurors, a 5.) ________________, had initially argued for acquittal and “took considerable wearing down.” 6.) _______________, who considers the Cunninghams “trash,” and Scout argue about Scout’s decision to be friends with 7.) _______________. Later, Jem and Scout discuss “the 8.) ________________ kinds of folks” in the world. Scout maintains there is only one kind - 9.) ________________. Jem explains that he used to believe that, too; but if that were true, why did folks despise each other. He concludes that 10.) ________________ stays shut up because he wants to.

11.) _______________ attends Alexandra’s missionary circle meeting. She observes the ladies’ “concern” about an 12.) ________________ tribe while they, at the same time, criticize the 13.) ________________ of Maycomb and make insinuations about each other. She hears Mrs. Merriweather label the northerners “hypocrites.” Atticus arrives with the news that 14.) ________________ is dead, that he was shot while trying to escape. For once, in defense of Atticus, Alexandra criticizes the townspeople. 15.) ________________ asserts there is a handful of them who believe that fair play is not marked “White Only,” those few who have “background.” They return to the meeting, having regained their composure, and Scout decides that if Alexandra can be a 16.) ________________ so can she.

II. Short Answer (20 points)

1. How does Atticus explain the fact the women can’t serve on juries in Alabama?

2. How does Atticus explain his decision to have allowed Mr. Cunningham to sit on the jury?

3. Atticus had told Jem that having a gun around was an “invitation to somebody to shoot you.” What is your opinion of this? Do you agree or disagree with Atticus?
4. Jem poses some questions at the end of the chapter: If there’s just one kind of folks, why can’t they get along with each other? If they’re all alike, why do they go out of their way to despise each other?” How would you answer Jem’s question?

III. Extra Credit (10 points)

1. Explain the grammatical error made by Jem.

2. List the “four kinds of folks.”