

Outside Reading/Lit. Logs

Title of the book

Date

Pages Read

Choose a statement or quote that you can interpret and/or explain that discusses the pages you read from the book. Write the statement or quote; then support it in paragraph form. Personal incite needs to be part of the analysis.

Example

“You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view----“ “ Sir?” “--- until you climb into his skin and walk around in it.”

In this part of the book, Scout is going to learn an important lesson about life. Scout is having difficulty understanding why the Ewells are allowed to skip school and evade the law while she must obey the law and go school everyday. Atticus, her father, sits Scout down and explains the quote above. He tells her that the Ewells are different from other people because they do not live like normal humans. The Ewells lifestyle is a matter of family survival and the children are forced to work on the farm rather than get an education. The Ewells are proud people and do not take handouts from others in the community. Atticus reinforces to Scout that her education is important and she is fortunate to be able to attend school and learn. Then he tells her before she judges people, to put herself in that person’s skin. I feel Scout has never had to worry about going hungry or not having a place to live. I, myself, have not been in that position either. To me it would be awful not being able to go to school to learn and not see or play with my friends. The Ewell boys must feel like outcasts in their community. It’s like being in a whole different world. As for Scout I think she might look at things a little differently now. I know I would not be so quick to judge others if I really haven’t walked their shoes.