

*To Kill a Mockingbird*  
**VOCABULARY-CHAPTERS 1-5**

1. taciturn - speaking very little; not fond of talking
2. malevolent - bringing evil to others; showing bad will; malicious; evil
3. flivver - small, cheap automobile
4. vexations - irritations; annoyances
5. smilax - a delicate turning green house plant; bright green twinning vine
6. edification - moral improvement
7. apothecary - druggist, pharmacist
8. repertoire - a list of dramas, operas, piece or parts that a person or company is prepared to perform
9. predilections - preference
10. indigenous - native
11. entailment - a restriction on the inheritance of a piece of land
12. vapid - boring
13. nebulous - vague
14. contemptuous - scornful, despising, disdainful
15. scuppernongs - yellowish green plum-flavored grapes
16. fractious - cross
17. disapprobation - the act or state of being disapproved; condemnation
18. tacit - silently understood; unspoken
19. asinine - lacking sound judgment; stupid; silly
20. diminutive - very small or tiny
21. amiable - willing to accept others' wishes; having a pleasant personality; friendly

## VOCABULARY – CHAPTERS 6-11

1. touchous - touchy; probably a regional expression
2. aberrations - deviations; straying from the right or normal way
3. perpetrate - commit; carry out; bring about
4. perplexity - the state of being confused or bewildered
5. ascertain - make certain; discover; determine
6. unfathomable - unable to be measured or understood
7. morphodite - (really is hermaphrodite) something that is a combination of a diverse elements
8. Rosetta Stone - An ancient tablet found in Egypt in 1799. Its Greek and Egyptian inscriptions provided a key to deciphering ancient Egyptian writing.
9. inordinately - unregulated; disorderly' excessively
10. analogous - showing a likeness which permits one to draw a comparison
11. umbrage - resentful displeasure; personal offense
12. undulate - to form or move in waves; fluctuate
13. cantankerous - ill-natured; quarrelsome
14. obstreperous - uncontrollably noisy; clamorous; unruly
15. rectitude - straightness; righteousness
16. propensity - natural inclination; leaning
17. ingenuous - noble; honorable; straightforward
18. articulate - able to speak; expressing oneself clearly or effectively
19. interdict - prohibition; an order forbidding something to be done
20. reconnaissance - a preliminary survey to gain information

## VOCABULARY - CHAPTERS 12-21

1. altercation - angry dispute
2. Shadrach - in the Bible, one of the three captives who came out of the blazing furnace miraculously unharmed
3. rotogravure- printing process in which an image is produced on a copper surface
4. change of venue - to change the place of a trial
5. connivance - underhanded scheming by two or more persons
6. corroborating - supporting
7. mollify - appeased
8. acrimonious - caustic, biting or rancorous especially of words, manner or language
9. excathedra - with authority
10. temerity - excessive or reckless boldness; rashness
11. cynical - believing that people are motivated by selfishness, lacking sincerity
12. impudent - insolent, smart-aleck
13. unmitigated - to make severe, intense or painful
14. amanuenses - one employed to take dictation or copy a manuscript; secretary
15. lavations - washing or cleaning oneself
16. chiffarobe - a regional or local term for a piece of furniture that holds clothing
17. succinct - written or spoken in a few words
18. acquiescence - acceptance
19. uncouth - lacking polish, culture, or refinement; crude
20. turbulent - commotion, not calm or smooth
21. smugly - very self-satisfied
22. ambidextrous - unusually skillful, with both hands

### **VOCABULARY – CHAPTERS 12-21 Continued**

- 23. exodus - mass departure
- 24. benignly - of a gentle disposition
- 25. discreet - careful conduct or speech with regard to one's privacy
- 26. tacit - silently understood or unspoken
- 27. expunge - get rid of, erase
- 28. collective - group of objects, people
- 29. contraband- smuggled goods
- 30. aridity - dryness

## VOCABULARY – CHAPTERS 22-31

1. feral - savage
2. furtive - secret
3. charlotte - desert made of fruit gelatin
4. impertinence - rudeness, disrespect
5. adamant - unyielding
6. sordid - vile, mean, filthy
7. body English - body language, facial expressions
8. purloined - stolen, taken without permission
9. largo - slow and steady
10. perforated - pierced
11. spurious - not genuine
12. irascible - irritable
13. squalid - dirty, neglected
14. heathen - one who doesn't believe in the God of the Bible
15. demise - death
16. recluse - hermit; voluntarily staying away from others
17. turmoil - conditions of confused agitation or commotion
18. blandly - uninteresting, vapid, dull
19. elude - to avoid or escape as by dexterity or trickery; evade
20. raling - rattling or bubbling cough, indication a disease of the lungs or bronchi