

<p><b>Step 1→</b> Take out your homework.</p>	<p><b>NONE.</b></p>
<p><b>Step 2→</b> Write down today's date and title.</p>	<p><u>Introduction to <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> 4/18/16</u></p>
<p><b>Step 3→</b>  Journal</p>	<p><u><b>NO JOURNAL!</b></u> Fill out the A/N/D discussion sheet <b><u>and</u></b> write a sentence under each question explaining your response.</p>

# Agree/Neutral/Disagree

- I will read a statement.
- Hold up the card for your answer.
- If you want to explain your answer, raise your hand.
- **YOU MUST RESPECT OTHERS.**
  - This means no talking unless you're called on.

# Reflection

- On the back of the half-sheet, write down your feelings about the discussion. Remember, this is **anonymous**.
- Please include if you **do** or **do not** think it's appropriate to read the "N-word" aloud in class.



To Kill a  
Mockingbird

# Checking out novels

- Write your name on the inside cover

# To Kill a Mockingbird

- Harper Lee wrote To Kill a Mockingbird during the 1950's in the midst of the American Civil Rights Movement.
- **Setting: Maycomb, Alabama - a small, Southern town during the Great Depression**
- The novel takes place over a period of three years from 1933 – 1935.
- The novel is **semi-autobiographical**.

# “Jim Crow” Laws



- “Jim Crow” refers to a white actor who performed in blackface on stage.
- Laws that **mandated racial segregation mostly in the South.**
- People of all races could be fined or given jail time for breaking the laws.
- It was a way of life from the 1880’s to the 1960’s.

# *Plessy v. Ferguson, 1896*

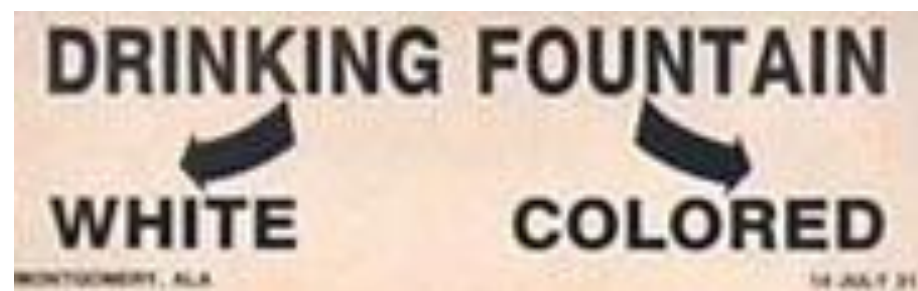
- Jim Crow laws weren't just laws. It was the way of life in the South. They were enforced by private citizens, police, and organizations such as the Ku Klux Klan.
- In 1896, The Supreme Court ruled that "Separate but Equal" Jim Crow laws were constitutional.
- This made it okay for blacks and whites to have separate facilities, as long as the facilities were "equal."



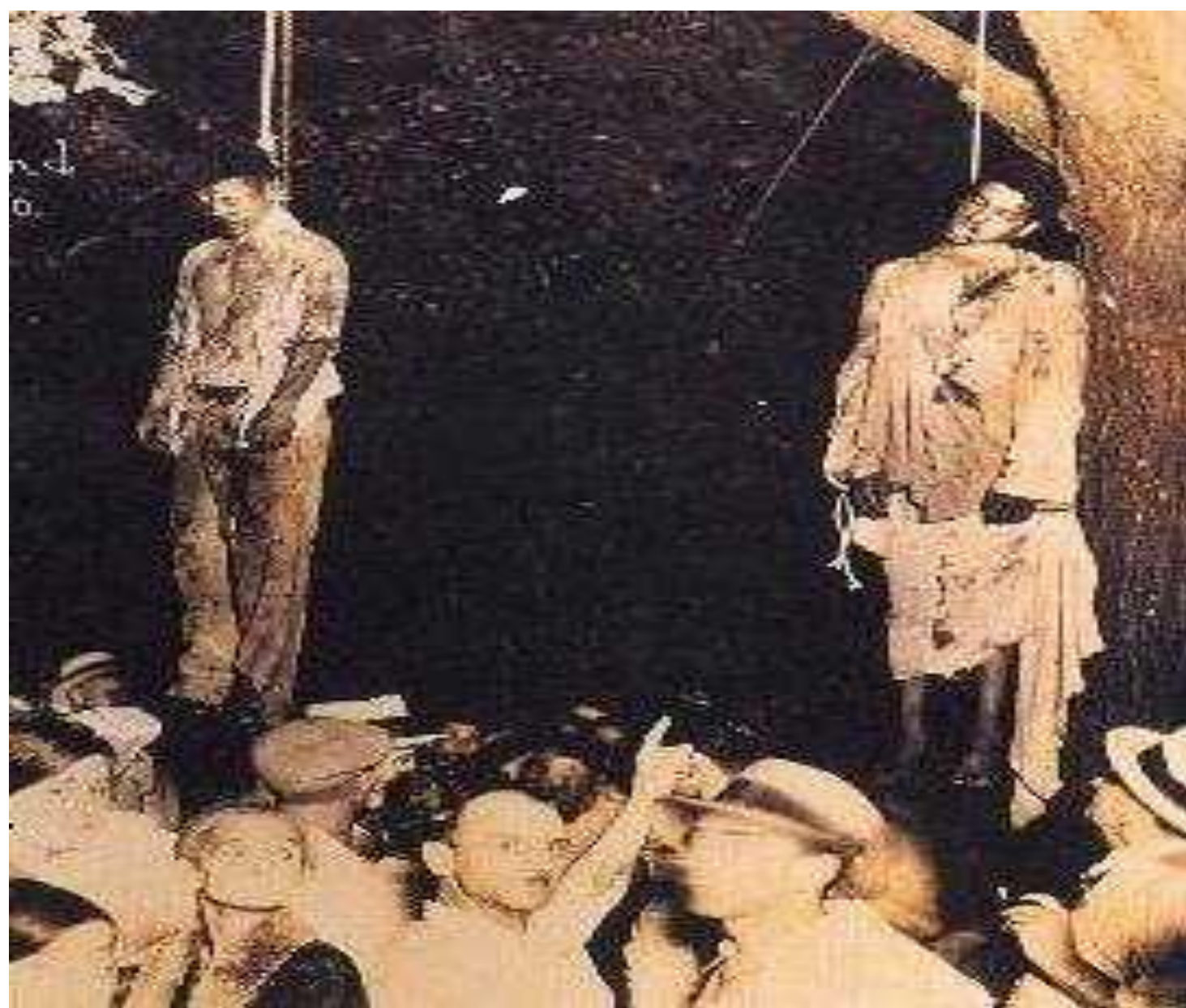
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- A few examples:
  - Whites always had the right-of-way at intersections, on sidewalks, etc.
  - Blacks and whites had their own water fountains, restaurants, grocery stores, waiting rooms, and various other amenities and businesses.
  - Blacks had to sit in the back of the bus, and if they were being driven by a white person, the black person had to sit in the back seat or in the back of a truck.
  - It was illegal for blacks to display affection (kissing, etc.) in public.
  - Black men were forbidden to speak to white women.
  - Blacks were expected to call all whites by their titles such as Miss, Mrs., Mr., etc.; however, whites generally called blacks “boy” or “girl” (regardless) or by their first names.











# The Great Depression

- **Began when the stock market crashed in 1929; It lasted throughout the 1930's.**
- Coincided with a devastating drought.
- Hit the South especially hard.
- **25% of Americans were unemployed.**



**WORLD'S HIGHEST STANDARD OF LIVING**

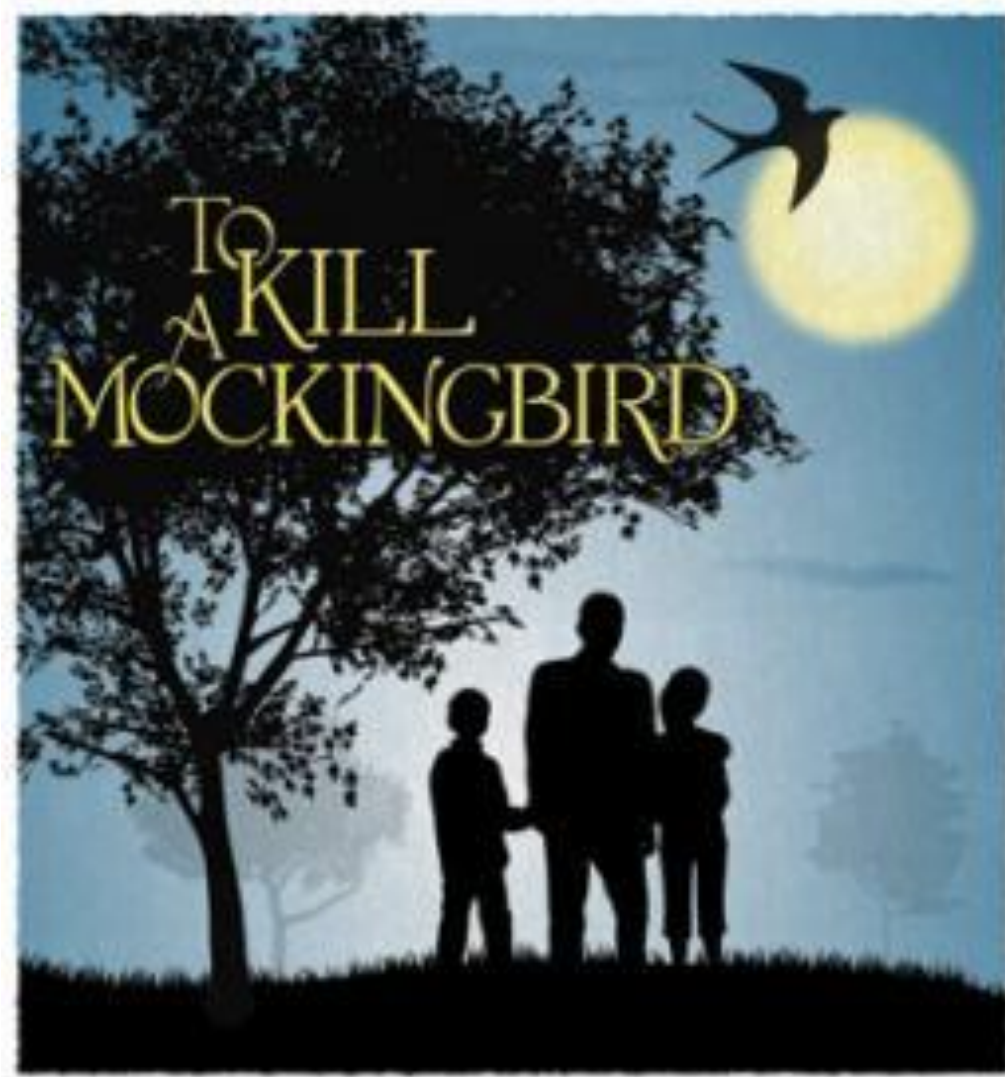


*There's no way  
like the  
American Way*









# Resources of Interest

- <http://video.pbs.org/video/2365422025/>
- [http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/eyesontheprize/resources/res\\_video.html](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/eyesontheprize/resources/res_video.html)
- <http://www.pbs.org/wnet/jimcrow/resources.html>

# Historical Context

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sgC09oMIwLc>

# Reading Chapter 1

- Characters:
  - Jem
  - Scout
  - Dill

# Character Bookmark

- Doc Cam

# HOMEWORK: A DAY

- DUE Wednesday, 4/20
  - Read Chapters 1-3
  - Complete your reading log (1-3)

# HOMework: B DAY

- DUE Thursday, 4/21
  - Read Chapters 1-3
  - Complete your reading log (1-3)