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# To Kill a Mockingbird Vocabulary

## Chapters 4–6

1. Which scenario best shows the meaning of the word **arbitrated**?
- a. Milani keeps going back and forth about which meal to order.
  - b. Yadiel and Greta want to watch different movies, so Jamie helps them make a decision.
  - c. The winner of a radio contest is chosen completely at random from a pool of contestants.



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3. What is the best synonym for the word **benign** as it is used in the sentence?

*The girl's face was calm and benign despite the unsavory circumstances she found herself in.*

- a. kind
  - b. thoughtful
  - c. angry
  - d. unpleasant
4. Which word is an antonym for the word **abominable**?
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  - b. Kara spends time every night studying, so she does well in school.
  - b. Leyla uses sticky-note reminders to keep herself from forgetting things.
  - d. Walter regularly donates both his time and money to charity.
6. Why do you think the author chose the word **obliged** to describe their actions?

*"That we would be obliged to dodge the unseen from all directions"*



7. Which word describes someone who is not easy to get along with because they are emotionally distant?
- a. foolhardy
  - b. aloof
  - c. auspicious
  - d. transparent
8. What does the word **tacit** help you understand about the agreement?

*"Our tacit treaty with Miss Maudie was that we could play on her lawn, eat her scuppernongs if we didn't jump on the arbor..."*

- a. It is unspoken but still understood by everyone involved.
- b. It is unfair to both the children and Miss Maudie.
- c. It was agreed upon only after Atticus discussed it with Miss Maudie.
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- a. transparent
- b. aloof
- c. foolhardy
- d. benevolent

10. What does the use of the word **malignant** suggest?



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11. What is the meaning of **auspicious** in this sentence?

*The weather forecast was auspicious because it predicted a warm, sunny day when the couple was set to get married.*

- a. promising
- b. disappointing
- c. exciting
- d. unexpected

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