

# To Kill a Mockingbird

By Harper Lee



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Grades 8-12

ELA Common  
Core Aligned

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Use this graphic organizer when studying the text, *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

I have taught this ELA Common Core Exemplar text for 8 years to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Each year, because the text structure is more complex than texts students are used to, keeping characters straight becomes an issue. This graphic organizer has been useful in helping students keep characters straight, understand their character and personality traits, and understand the relationships among characters.

Use this as students read the first two chapters, but encourage them to continue to add to it as the novel progresses. Excellent for independent or whole class instruction.

I have also used this chart in poster form and posted it through our reading of the text.

Like what you see? This graphic organizer is part of a larger work I am creating entitled *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee Bundle, which includes a student packet with activities like this, quizzes with keys, activities with rubrics, and a final assessment with a key. I will have it in my store by the end of April.

## Cast of Characters

Near each character's name, write adjectives that describe this character, his or her personality, and his or her actions. Then, connect characters with a line. On the line, describe their relationship. One connection has been done for you.

