

Inherit the Wind by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee
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11th Grade - Summer Study Guide
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Please answer each of the following questions, in complete sentences, to aid in your comprehension of Inherit the Wind:

- 1) What is the setting of Inherit the Wind? Please include country, time period, etc., as well as a description of the physical setting. How do you think the setting affects the meaning and events of the play?
- 2) What do you think the overall theme, or lesson, of Inherit the Wind is? Why do you think that? Do you think this lesson is still applicable today? Why or why not?
- 3) What is one aspect of the play that you enjoyed? Why?
- 4) What is one aspect of the play that you would change? Why?

For each of the following characters, choose a character trait that describes each one. Then, find a piece of evidence in the book (either a quote or an example) that demonstrates that quote. In the third box, explain why that evidence demonstrates your character trait.

The fourth and fifth columns involve deciding whether the character is *static* or *dynamic*. A static character is one that does not change throughout the play; a dynamic character is one that does change.

Character	Character trait	Textual evidence of character trait	Explanation of how textual evidence supports character trait	Static or dynamic character?	One example of why said character is static or dynamic?
Henry Drummond					
Matthew Harrison Brady					
Bertram Cates					
E.K. Hornbeck					
Reverend Brown					
Rachel Brown					

