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This research paper elaborates the parenting style of Atticus Finch in Harper Lee’s *To Kill a Mockingbird* novel. This is analyzed through Behaviorist perspective. The objectives of the study are to analyze the structural elements of the novel, the characteristics, the type, and the impacts of parenting style inside the novel.

The researcher applies qualitative research in conducting this research. The primary data taken from the text inside novel and the secondary data taken from other data related to the research. The method for analyzing data is descriptive analysis.

After analyzing novel, the researcher found a conclusion. Based on the behavioral analysis, it is clear that in this novel, the author illustrates a psychological phenomenon in which an individual is very much influenced by the environment, either at home, schools, or other kinds of environment. One of environment unsure which gives impact on child’s personality is parenting style. Parenting style is one of stimulus forms in shaping behavior, habit, and providing model which becomes reference of child’s personality.

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