

A fair trial?

Has anything ever happened to you that you think is unfair? See what happened to Jesus. How fair was his trial?

Look up the Bible verses and mark each category with points out of 10, '1' being very fair, '10' being totally, appallingly unfair.

Location: The trial was supposed to be in the Temple leaders' courtroom, but where was Jesus trial held?
Look up *Luke 22: 54* and mark your score.



Time: A trial is held during the day so that everyone is not too tired and can see what is going on. When was Jesus' trial held?
Look up *Luke 22: 53* and *Matthew 27: 1* and mark your score. (all night and into the next day)



Defence: In a fair trial the accused is allowed to create a defence. What defence was Jesus allowed?
Matthew 26: 63-66 will help you decide if this was a fair trial.



Witnesses: In a fair trial trustworthy witnesses are called to give evidence. Was this the case for Jesus?
Look up *Matthew 26:59*, and then *Matthew 27: 12-14*. What score will you give for this?



Innocent until proven guilty? In a fair trial the person accused of the crime is innocent until proven guilty. Was this true for Jesus?
Read *Matthew 27: 1* before you mark your score.



Now add up your scores to make a total out of 50.

The higher the total, the more unfair you think Jesus' trial was.