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The Great Gatsby

Unit Guide

These questions will help you to understand the novel, *Old Sport*.

- Please complete each section as the chapters are assigned. They are due even if you were absent from the previous class.
- There are ten sections each worth ten points.
- You may have one freebie per section NOT for the quotations . Skip one question. Cross it out. Draw a smiley face. Run. Dance. Be free.

Scoring:

Vocabulary: ____/10

4:____/10

8:____/10

1:____/10

5:____/10

9:____/10

2:____/10

6&7:____/10

Post:____/10

3:____/10

Total: ____/100

***The Great Gatsby* Unit Guide**

English 5 6

Mr. Coia

Thursday 5/1

- Print off unit guide and bring to class
- Checkout novel
- Explain Unit Guide
- 1920s Powerpoint lecture
- Read chapter 1

HW: read 1 & 2; questions; vocabulary

Monday 5/5

- Q8 #1
- Quiz on 1 & 2
- Review vocabulary
- Myrtle's change/ Spiderman
- Reading

HW: chapter 3 reading, questions

Wednesday 5/7

- Q8 #2
- Quiz on 3
- Reading 4 & 5

HW: chapter 4&5 reading, questions

Friday 5/9

- **Test on 1-5 (50 points)**
- Reading 6 & 7

HW: chapter 6&7 reading, questions

Tuesday 5/13

- Q8#3 (**turn in Q8s**)
- Quiz on 6&7
- Car switching scene
- Reading 8

HW: Finish 8 and questions

Thursday 5/15

- Reading 9
- Discussion on novel
- **Showcase thesis due today**

HW: Finish 9 questions

Monday 5/19

- **Packet due today**
- **Showcase due**
- Novel discussion

Wednesday 5/21

- Begin *The Great Gatsby* video
- **Showcase due (two-day extension)**

Friday 5/23

- Finish video
- Review exam
- **Showcase due (four-day extension; final day)**

Wednesday 5/28

- *Gatsby* Exam
- Turn in text No book = No exam

Friday 5/30

- "Hills Like White Elephants," Hemingway

Tuesday 6/3

- "Everything Stuck to Him," Raymond Carver

HW: Write your top 5 movies of all time

Thursday 6/5

- Q8: Course evaluation
- Movie game
- Voting on best reading & author
- Most Interesting English Student Award
- Lewis & Plato
- **You must attend today to receive last-day points. No excused/ early turn-in assignments**

Socratic Seminar: We'll have one, but date will be announced later

Showcase paper: Your Showcase on Gatsby expository or imaginative is due any day during 5/19 5/23. No papers accepted after 5/23 **for any reason.**

If you choose an **expository essay**, you may choose your topic a symbol, connection to another book, a theme, etc. , it is 500 600 words in Showcase paper format.

You may write an **imaginative story** about something relating to Gatsby, either from inside the story Daisy and Tom after the novel's end , or from outside the story how someone reacts to reading the novel; see my example . This is to be a minimum of 1000 words.

Great Gatsby Unit

- Showcase Paper 50 points
- Final Exam 90 points
- Question Packet 100 points
- 1 5 Test 50 points
- Various quizzes 60 points
- Quick 8s 30 points

***The Great Gatsby* Vocabulary**

Along with the definition, include the part of speech and an original sentence for the word. Be sure that the sentence deals with the topic of *The Great Gatsby*.

1. Feign Part of Speech:_____

Definition:_____

Sentence:_____

2. Supercilious Part of Speech:_____

Definition:_____

Sentence:_____

3. Conscientious Part of Speech:_____

Definition:_____

Sentence:_____

4. Incredulous Part of Speech:_____

Definition:_____

Sentence:_____

5. Reciprocal Part of Speech:_____

Definition:_____

Sentence:_____

6. Complacent Part of Speech:_____

Definition:_____

Sentence:_____

7. Intimation Part of Speech:_____

Definition:_____

Sentence:_____

***The Great Gatsby* Chapter 1**

1. Notice how many times Fitzgerald uses the words hope, or dream. Why does he do this?

2. Nick starts the novel by relaying his father's advice "Whenever you feel like criticizing anyone, just remember that all the people in this world haven't had the advantages that you've had." List Nick's advantages.

3. Pay attention to time. What is the day and year during the first scene at Daisy's house?

4. Describe Nick. What facts do you know about him, and what do you infer about him? What kind of a narrator do you think he will be?

5. What image does the author use to describe Jordan Baker? What does it mean?

6. How does Nick react to Jordan?

7. What does Tom's behavior reveal about his character?

Quotes: Write down a quote, the page, and why it is important to this chapter.

page _____ : " _____

Why it's important:

***The Great Gatsby* Chapter 2**

1. Describe the "valley of ashes." What does it look like and what does it represent?

2. Describe Mr. Wilson and Myrtle. Do they seem to fit into the setting?

3. What more have you learned about Nick in this chapter? Is he similar or different than the people he spends his time with?

4. Describe the violent act Tom committed against Myrtle. What does this reveal about him?

Quotes: Write down a quote, the page, and why it is important to this chapter.

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Why it's important:

***The Great Gatsby* Chapter 3**

1. Pay attention to Nick's judgments. What do they reveal about his character that he does this especially in relation to his opening comments ?

2. Describe Gatsby the first time Nick sees him.

3. What rumors have been told about Gatsby? Why does Fitzgerald reveal rumors rather than fact?

4. What does Nick think of Gatsby after meeting him?

5. How is Gatsby different from his guests?

6. Why does Nick choose to share his thoughts and feelings with Jordan?

7. Nick thinks he's one of the few honest people he knows, why? Do you think he is honest?

Quotes: Write down a quote, the page, and why it is important to this chapter.

page _____ : “_____

Why it's important:

***The Great Gatsby* Chapter 4**

1. List all of the rumors told about Gatsby.

2. Why does Fitzgerald list all of Gatsby's party guests?

3. Why does Gatsby tell Nick about his life? Do you believe Gatsby? Does Nick?

4. What role does Meyer Wolfsheim play in the novel? Why is there so much focus on his nose and what does this tell you about Fitzgerald's politics?

5. What does Jordan's story of Daisy's marriage reveal about Daisy?

6. Why did Gatsby want Daisy to see his house?

7. Nick says, "There are only the pursued, the pursuing, the busy and the tired." What does Nick mean? How does each character in the novel fit into this schema?

Quotes: Write down a quote, the page, and why it is important to this chapter.

page _____ : "_____

Why it's important:

The Great Gatsby Chapter 5

1. Why does Gatsby deliver so many goods and services to Nick's house?

2. Describe the effect of rain on the plot.

3. Why does Gatsby offer Nick work? How does Nick feel about this?

4. Explain the significance of the green light.

5. Why does Gatsby get so many phone calls? What does this say about him?

Quotes: Write down a quote, the page, and why it is important to this chapter.

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Why it's important:

***The Great Gatsby* Chapter 6 & 7**

1. How truthful was Gatsby when he relayed the story of his life to Nick? Why does Fitzgerald tell the story of Jay Gatz now?

2. Describe the meeting of Tom and Gatsby. What does this meeting reveal about them?

3. When Nick told Gatsby that "you can't repeat the past", Gatsby replied, "Why of course you can!" Do you agree with Nick or Gatsby?

4. Who is Trimachio? Explain how this describes Gatsby.

5. Describe Daisy and Gatsby's new relationship.

6. Compare George Wilson and Tom. What did each man learn about his wife and how did they each react?

7. Describe the fight between Gatsby and Tom. What do these men think of each other? How are they similar and how are they different?

8. What was significant about Nick's 30th birthday?

9. Do you think that Tom knew Daisy was driving the "death car"? Why or why not?

10. At this point, how would you end the novel?

***The Great Gatsby* Chapter 8**

1. How does Fitzgerald achieve a melancholic mood in the beginning of this chapter?

2. How are seasons used in constructing this novel?

3. Who is Dan Cody and what is his significance in Gatsby's life?

4. How does Nick's statement "You're worth the whole bunch put together" show a change in Nick from the beginning of the novel?

5. How does T. J. Eckleberg affect Mr. Wilson?

Quotes: Write down a quote, the page, and why it is important to this chapter.

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Why it's important:

***The Great Gatsby* Chapter 9**

1. Why did Nick take care of Gatsby's funeral?

2. How was Jay Gatz's childhood schedule consistent with the adult Gatsby's behavior?

3. Who attended Gatsby's funeral? How and why is this significant?

4. What is the purpose of Nick's last meeting with Jordan?

5. Why does Nick call Tom and Daisy "careless people"?

Quotes: Write down a quote, the page, and why it is important to this chapter.

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Why it's important:

The Great Gatsby: Post Reading

1. Does this novel have villains and heroes? Why, why not? If yes, who fits into these categories and why?

2. Why are we still reading a book written in the 1920's? What gives a book its longevity?
