

# Mrs. Hott's English 11 Snow Packet Days 12-15

- **Directions:** You will have the full 4 days to complete this "Essay Exam." Please take this seriously and please follow the directions for each section. I do have the power of the internet and when you google, copy and paste, I can do the same to find out where you have plagiarized from. It is not that difficult. With that being said, please write your own thoughts. Even when you are not physically with someone, I understand you can share documents with them still. This will result in a 0 for both (or all if multiple) parties involved.

I am sad that we have not gotten to watch the movie together as a class, but we can when we return. **For now, this is going to be your test on the book.**

Please read the directions carefully for you are not required to do ALL of the assignments below, only a certain number for each subheading.

- These packet days are due Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. By email or Livegrades.

## THE GREAT GATSBY FINAL EXAM

**\*\*Before you begin the test, make sure you understand the required amount of writing in each section. \*\***

### Irresponsibility:

Fitzgerald portrays how people could use their position to look down on others and live their lives not caring about other people. Tom and Daisy exemplify this stereotype. Tom cheats on Daisy, Daisy often goes over to Gatsby's, and they run away from the scene of Myrtle's death. Despite their respectable social status, their actions are, selfish and inconsiderate. They live their irresponsible lives thinking only of themselves because they think they are in a class above other people. They can use their wealth and position to escape whatever they choose. **Explain your thoughts about the 2 of the following characters and this idea, write at least 3 sentences on each: (TOTAL OF 6 SENTENCES)**

- Tom
- Daisy
- Gatsby
- Nick
- Jordan

### Short answer:

**Pick 3 of the following short answer questions, write at least 5 sentences on each question you choose. Remember to identify your choice. (TOTAL OF 15 SENTENCES)**

- Talk about the title. Why do you think the novel is called The Great Gatsby? In what ways can a person be great?
- Daisy says, 'I'm glad it's a girl. And I hope she'll be a fool – that's the best thing a girl can be in this world, a beautiful little fool.' Why do you think she says this?

- What does Nick first think of Gatsby in the beginning of the book? How does his opinion of him change? Does Gatsby change Nick in any way?
- Name one rumor you remember discussed in the book about Jay Gatsby.
- When Nick was having lunch with Gatsby and Wolfsheim, Wolfsheim says, 'He went to Oxford College in England.' There are colleges at Oxford University, such as Trinity College and Balliol College, but there's no Oxford College. So what can you tell from Wolfsheim's remark?
- What does the green light symbolize for Gatsby?
- Tom asks Gatsby about his expression 'old sport', but there's no answer from Gatsby in the story. Why does Gatsby call everyone 'old sport' and why is Tom so annoyed about it?
- In regards to the car accident, why do you think Myrtle rushed out into the road?
- Daisy was driving when the car hit Myrtle, but Gatsby is taking the blame. Now she is inside the house, sitting with Tom at the table with food, and Gatsby is standing in the garden just to make sure that Daisy is safe. Does she really deserve this kind of love?

#### Essay:

The American Dream: The American Dream was originally about discovery and the pursuit of happiness. The 1920s, however, was an era of decayed social and moral values, when prosperity and material excess have corrupted this dream, especially on the East Coast. The unrestrained desire for money and pleasure surpassed more noble goals. In the novel, Nick thinks of the disintegration of the American Dream as Gatsby's dream crumbles. Explain your thoughts on the connection or disconnection between Gatsby, the American dream, and Nick throughout the novel. **Write at least 3 paragraphs.**

At the end of this "Test" You should have 6 total sentences on 2 separate characters, 15 sentences about short answer questions (3 separate answered questions) and 1 essay with at least 3 paragraphs. I am not requiring you to use quotes and page numbers because I want you to fill these essays with your own original thoughts and words but feel free to paraphrase.