INTRODUCTION

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Points for Understanding

1. Life was dull in the Middle West. He could not settle down there. (b) He planned to learn the bond business. (c) For several years. (d) For one summer.
2. On Long Island, near the village of West Egg.

1. He thought they were too rich and too restless.
2. Tom's woman in New York.
3. (a) She said it was the best thing for a girl to be. She said she thought life was terrible. She said she hated it. (b) No.
4. She was a golfer. There was a story that she had behaved badly in a golf match.
5. (a) Gatsby himself. (b) Because the man seemed happy to be alone. (c) He slowly stretched out his arms to the dark water. (d) One green light, very small and far away.

2. (a) To George B. Wilson's garage. (b) George Wilson and his wife Myrtle.
2. (a) To an apartment. (b) Whisky. (c) He became drunk for the second time in his life.
3. She said that he was awfully rich. She said that people said that Gatsby got his money from Germany in the War.
4. (a) A new dress, a collar for her dog and an ashtray. (b) Student's own answer.
5. (a) About Daisy, Tom's wife. (b) He hit Myrtle across the nose. (c) He picked up his hat and left. He went to the station to get the early morning train to West Egg.

3. (a) They ate rich, beautiful food and they drank every kind of drink. (b) No.
2. (a) Someone said that Gatsby had killed a man. Someone else said he was a German spy. And someone else said that there was something strange about a man like that. (b) No.
3. (a) Only that he was called Gatsby. (b) She said that Gatsby had told her he was educated at Oxford. (c) No. (d) That he gave big parties.
4. He said, 'Miss Baker, Mr Gatsby would like to speak to you.'

4. (a) They said he was a bootlegger, a crook, a gambler. And they said that he had killed a man. (b) Yellow.
3. (a) He said that he was the son of rich people from the Middle West. He said his family were all dead. He said he was educated at Oxford and that all his family went there. He said he had lived all over Europe. He said he had travelled, collected jewels, and hunted animals. He said he was spending money to forget something very sad. And he said he had won medals in the War. (b) In Oxford. (c) He was not sure.
4. That Myrtle Wilson was selling gas.
5. Excited.
6. He said that Wolfsheim was a gambler. He said he was clever but he had done a lot of dangerous things.

7. Gatsby didn't speak to Tom. He had a strange look on his face. A few moments later he left the restaurant.

8. (a) Gatsby. (b) They stopped her. (c) No. (d) That he gave big parties.
2. (a) Daisy was very drunk. Her pearls were on the floor. (b) She had a bottle of wine in one hand and a letter in the other.
3. She said, 'But it isn't strange at all. Gatsby came here to be near Daisy. He can see her house across the bay.'
4. He wanted Nick to invite Daisy to tea.

9. (a) He wanted to know whether Nick would invite Daisy to tea. (b) He was trying to see everything through Daisy's eyes. (c) No.
2. (a) Gatsby got his money from Germany in the War. (b) In Oxford. (c) He was not sure.
3. He said that Gatsby got his money from Germany in the War.
4. He told Wilson it was his own car. He said he had got it last week. (d) He said that he and Myrtle were going West. (e) Myrtle Wilson.
5. He was a student there for five months in 1919. He said that American officers were able to go to an English university after the War.
6. At first she said that she had never loved Tom. Then she said that was not true. She had loved Tom once, but she had loved Gatsby too.
7. Daisy and Gatsby.
8. (a) Thirty. (b) He felt sad and tired.
3 (a) The man in the yellow car. (b) An expensive dog collar. (c) Gatsby.
4 (a) Wilson had shot him. (b) Wilson’s.
5 (a) That Gatsby was dead. (b) He said that Tom and Daisy had gone away. He said they would be away for some time. He did not know where they had gone.
6 He was Gatsby’s father.
7 When he asked Dan Cody for a job.
8 For five years, until the old man died.
9 He had learned how the rich live.
10 (a) The fat man with glasses Nick had seen in Gatsby’s library three months before. (b) ‘What friends!’

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1 (a) Daisy. (b) Student’s own answer. Perhaps because now Gatsby was dead, Nick did not want to make Tom hate Daisy.
2 Student’s own answer.