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***The Great Gatsby* Anticipation Guide**

The following ideas and concepts are all conveyed in F. Scott Fitzgerald’s *The Great Gatsby*. We should think about and discuss these ideas and concepts before we read *The Great Gatsby* so that we have an understanding of what the author is trying to convey in his work. Fitzgerald comments on each one of the following ideas through the dialogue and action of each character in the book.  Actively reading and thinking about these ideas and concepts will help students understand the many themes found in *The Great Gatsby* as well as help students with the essay at the end of the unit.

**Directions**: Respond to each statement with **agree** or **disagree**.

1.      There should not be social classes. Everyone in society should be equal.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2.      People should try to fight to move their way up the social ladder. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3.      There is an achievable American Dream that all Americans should strive for. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4.      Materialism and wealth are the most identifiable traits of America.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5.      It is important to always remember and reminisce about your past. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6.      Dissatisfaction is an important part of American culture. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7.     If you are in a relationship or have friends then you will never feel isolated. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8.      Romantic love doesn’t really exist, there is just the idea of romantic love. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Directions**: Answer each question below in your own words. Give at least one reason or example to support you point.

9.      In your own words explain what the American Dream is and if you think it is achievable? Use specific examples to explain your answer.

10.  Should we have social classes in America or should everything be equally distributed amongst all people? Use specific examples to explain your answer.

11. What does it mean to live in the past? What are the implications for living in the past?  Use specific examples to explain your answer.

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12.  What is dissatisfaction? Explain how dissatisfaction plays a part in American culture.  Use specific examples to explain your answer.

13.  Explain how materialism is related to dissatisfaction. Use specific examples to support your point.

14.  In your own words define romantic love. Do you think most people really fall in love or just like the idea of being in love?  Use specific examples to explain your answer.

15. Can infidelity ever be justified? Use specific examples to explain your answer.

16.   What are the advantages of marriage, if any? Do the disadvantages of being alone outweigh the disadvantages of being married? Use specific examples to explain your answer.