

Discussion Preparation

Question	Your answer	Evidence to support your claim
How do the last two chapters of the book help to finalize themes in the novel?		
What is the impact of Nick telling the story in flashback? What incidents or elements of the text appear to provide clues for future events?		
What is the tone of this section of the text? How does Fitzgerald create tone and how does the tone interact with other literary elements?		
Select two quotations from the novel that are particularly fresh, engaging, or aesthetically pleasing? Examine Fitzgerald's word choice including figurative and connotative meanings. What is the resulting tone? What is the impact of the tone on the meaning and effect of the novel?		
Using your character chart, choose at least two characters. Consider each character and how he/she is introduced and developed, and his or her impact on meaning and themes of the novel.	**Use Character Chart	**Use Character Chart

Based on the tone of the novel and the language used to describe the various characters, how does Fitzgerald seem to feel about the lifestyles he portrays in the novel?		
Choose one main event from the novel. Describe how Fitzgerald's choices (language, imagery, symbolism, tone, point of view, etc.) contribute to the impact and meaning of that event and how that event adds to the development of a theme.		