
T-chart: The Great Gatsby Chapters 1 and 2

Evidence to support Mondello's claims about the American Dream	Evidence to contradict Mondello's claims about the American Dream
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“The one on my right was a colossal affair by any standard—it was a factual imitation of some Hotel de Ville in Normandy, with a tower on one side, spanking new under a thin beard of raw ivy, and a marble swimming pool and more than forty acres of lawn and garden.”

“They drifted here and there unrestfully wherever people played polo and were rich together.”

- Both of these quotations support Mondello’s claim about the American Dream revolving around wealthy appearances.

**Student answers will vary, but must show support of Mondello’s claims..

“There was so much to read for one thing and so much fine healthy to be pulled down out of the young breath-giving air. I bought a dozen volumes on banking and credit and investment securities and they stood on my shelf in red and gold like new money from the mint, promising to unfold the shining secrets that only Midas and Morgan and Maecenas knew.”

- This contradicts Mondello’s claim that the American Dream revolves around easy wealth; here Nick is trying to better himself through education.

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