Junior English

*Gatsby* Final Thoughts

Take some time to review your annotations and reflect on *The Great Gatsby*. Be sure to consider how Fitzgerald structures the story, your thoughts about the ideas presented and what Fitzgerald is trying to illustrate. After reflecting, choose three topics from the book that you are interested in examining in greater detail. Your choices should reflect or capture the most intriguing and/or challenging ideas that you have grappled with while reading this text.

For each of the three topics, write a thoughtful and thorough paragraph that explores what *The Great Gatsby* illustrates. Your paragraphs should begin to address the many layers of each topic. Are there connections between any of these topics? What is Fitzgerald trying to show us about these ideas? Think back to our group discussions (small group and large group), readings and activities to help you with this. In the end you should have three strong paragraphs centering on your understanding of the text.

Please bring these typed paragraphs to Monday’s class.

\*Note: While you will reference specific events in the story as write your paragraphs, you do not need to include textual evidence in them.