

Student Essay on Great Gatsby : Summary

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Essay

Summary:

In 1922, Nick Carraway, the narrator of *The Great Gatsby*, moves to West Egg, Long Island. His neighbor, the mysterious Gatsby, holds a party almost every Saturday. Nick's cousin, Daisy, and her husband Tom, invite Nick out to dinner one evening, where Nick is introduced to Jordan. Nick also learns that Tom has another lover, Myrtle. Nick is finally invited to one of Gatsby's parties, where he meets the host, and learns that Gatsby loves Daisy. Nick also learns that Gatsby had a romantic relationship with her in the past. Daisy left Gatsby because he did not earn enough money. Gatsby has been saving up his wealth to regain Daisy's love. He asks Nick to host a reunion between Daisy and himself, which Nick does. Gatsby and Daisy are reacquainted, and start a relationship. Tom discovers that Gatsby is having an affair with Daisy, so he forces the party into a hotel room in New York. Tom informs Daisy of Gatsby's illegal money making methods, but Tom believed that she had only loved himself, not Gatsby. In this argument, Daisy breaks up with Gatsby again, for being too possessive. Tom sends his wife and Gatsby home to prove that Gatsby is no threat to him. Along the way home, Daisy, the driver of the car, hits and kills Myrtle. Tom, Jordan, and Nick find out that Gatsby intends to take the blame, and Tom tells Myrtle's husband, George Wilson, that it was indeed Gatsby who had killed Myrtle. Maddened, Wilson finds Gatsby in his mansion, kills Gatsby, and then commits suicide. Nick gives Gatsby a small funeral, and then, breaking his relationship with Jordan, moves out of the East, hoping to escape the people that surrounded Gatsby, and the greed and immoral minds of these people.