

# GREAT GATSBY LITERATURE GUIDE

## SECONDARY SOLUTIONS

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**What techniques are used in *The Great Gatsby*?** In *The Great Gatsby*, F. Scott Fitzgerald uses many different literary devices. The literary devices that he uses are alliteration, allusion, epizeuxis, hyperbole, imagery, metaphor and simile, oxymoron, and personification.

**What is the main message of *The Great Gatsby*?** The moral of *The Great Gatsby* is that the American Dream is illusory. Gatsby's dream was to be with Daisy, but even after he attained her lifestyle, he was unable to be with her. Meanwhile, the people that had money, like Daisy and Tom, could not achieve happiness either.

**Is *The Great Gatsby* a true story?** The novel is set in the fictional town of West Egg on Long Island in the early 1920s. Indeed, Fitzgerald was inspired to write the book by the grand parties he attended on prosperous Long Island, where he got a front-row view of the elite, moneyed class of the 1920s, a culture he longed to join but never could.

**What inspired F. Scott Fitzgerald to write *The Great Gatsby*?** Fitzgerald was inspired to write *The Great Gatsby* to show the American Dream and its attainability. He lived through the Jazz Age and struggled to gain wealth and success of his own. Fitzgerald depicted his own struggles with love, wealth, and success through the character of Jay Gatsby.

**What is the irony in *The Great Gatsby*?** In perhaps one of the great ironies of the novel, Daisy kills Myrtle when Myrtle runs in front of Gatsby's car. It is a hit and run. The irony is that the wife kills her husband's mistress without knowing that it's his mistress. This irony leads the novel toward the conclusion.

**What is the author's style of writing in *The Great Gatsby*?** *The Great Gatsby* is written in a poetic and elegiac style in order to convey a sense of both nostalgia and mournfulness.

**What does *Gatsby* symbolize?** The character of Gatsby symbolizes a corrupted dream: his wealth is a solution to his problems and his incorruptible love for Daisy. Despite his hard work, his corruption and materialism prevail over hard work, integrity, and real love.

**What are the three main themes of *The Great Gatsby*?** Some of the key themes in *The Great Gatsby* are the American Dream and its failure, dysfunctional marriages, and corruption. Fitzgerald uses an unreliable narrator and symbolism to critique the materialistic society of the 1920s.

**What is the deeper meaning of *The Great Gatsby*?** The American Dream Every character in *The Great Gatsby* draws inspiration from the American Dream's promise of wealth and prosperity. At the same time, the novel itself critiques the notion of the American Dream. Readers may end the novel wondering if the American Dream is actually attainable at all.

**Did Daisy ever love Gatsby?** She reveals that Gatsby had met Daisy back in 1917, and the two fell in love. However, they separated when Gatsby left to fight in World War I. After the war, Gatsby never returned, and Daisy decided to marry Tom.

**Is Gatsby a creep or romantic?** Gatsby truly is a hopeless romantic who will do anything to impress the woman he is so in love with. Because Gatsby is such a puzzling and mind-boggling character, many readers are perplexed by his actions regarding Daisy.

**What does the green light symbolize in *The Great Gatsby*?** The Green Light is significant for several reasons. First, it symbolizes Gatsby's undying love for Daisy as he reaches toward the light on her dock. However, it becomes symbolic of Gatsby's inability to fully reach the American dream as his life unravels.

**What is the main point of *The Great Gatsby*?** The Great Gatsby Main Idea The death of the American Dream: Although 1920s society seems glamorous, it actually destroys the lives of most of the characters. The arrogance of the wealthy: Class is a

kind of shield that protects characters like Daisy and Tom from experiencing negative consequences.

**Why was *The Great Gatsby* banned?** The Great Gatsby was challenged and banned for a few reasons: sex, violence, adultery, and language. The affair between Daisy and Gatsby along with Nick's language regarding Jordan Baker make up most of the sex and adultery reasoning behind the challenging and banning of the book.

**Was Gatsby a real person or an illusion?** According to Carraway, Jay Gatsby - the more glamorous name adopted by James Gatz at the age of 17 - "sprang from his Platonic conception of himself". Gatz's parents were poor farming people and he'd never really accepted them as his family. Like many before him and since, Gatsby was a self-invented personality.

**What is a metaphor in *The Great Gatsby*?** Some examples of absolute metaphor in the story include a line that compares Gatsby's love for Daisy to the pursuit of the Holy Grail and the final line of the book, which compares people to boats on a river. These are both comparisons between otherwise dissimilar concepts.

**Why is Myrtle's death ironic?** Tom has no idea that his mistress has died in the wreck, but the reader does. The dramatic irony continues when Tom assumes that Gatsby killed Myrtle because it was his car that hit her. However, it was in fact Daisy who was driving Gatsby's car and accidentally hit Myrtle, causing the accident to occur.

**What is the oxymoron in *The Great Gatsby*?** The oxymoron "ferocious delicacy" gives the impression that Mr. Wolfshiem is eating his meal both barbarically and politely, which points to the deeper contradictions of the upper class that Wolfshiem and Gatsby belong to.

**What are the symbols in *The Great Gatsby*?** Some of the most important symbols in "The Great Gatsby" are: the green light, the Valley of Ashes, the eyes of Dr. T.J. Eckleburg, Gatsby's unnecessarily large home, and the extravagant parties that took place.

**What literary theory is *The Great Gatsby*?** In *The Great Gatsby*, Fitzgerald blends the intense symbolism and figurative language of modernism with the social and

psychological believability of realism. Realism was a literary movement that originated in the mid-nineteenth century. Realism seeks to depict the world and people as they really are.

**What genre of literature is *The Great Gatsby*?** *The Great Gatsby* is a novel that belongs to the genres of tragedy and modernism. It is set in the 1920s on Long Island, New York, meaning its events occur during the Prohibition era and following the events of World War I.

**What is the main theme of *The Great Gatsby*?** The theme of *The Great Gatsby* is that past cannot be repeated and everybody has to move forward in life. The author of the book F. Scott Fitzgerald was a popular writer in the 1920s and by using plot, style, figurative language, character, and setting he is able to develop the theme.

**What does Tom Buchanan symbolize?** Tom is a character with few redeeming qualities. He represents the worst aspects of the super-rich in American society whose money insulates them from the normal constraints of law or morality. Nick describes them as: careless people – they smashed up things and creatures and then retreated back into their money.

**What does Carraway symbolize?** What does Nick Carraway symbolize? Nick symbolizes the outsider's perspective of the way things were in the 1920s. He is not as wealthy as the other characters in the novel and thus recognizes how morally corrupt they are.

**What is the moral of the story *The Great Gatsby*?** The novel highlights the dangers of becoming too obsessed with a person and losing oneself in the process. It is a cautionary tale about the destructive nature of unrequited love and the importance of maintaining one's sense of self. *The Great Gatsby* also illustrates the importance of honesty and communication in love.

**What is Fitzgerald's message in *The Great Gatsby*?** Many consider *The Great Gatsby* to be depressing because, in the end, those who dream do not achieve their aspirations. However, the main message that Fitzgerald sends to us isn't that dreaming will lead to despair, but that chasing an unworthy dream will lead to tragedy.

**Is *The Great Gatsby* gothic literature?** I argue in this senior project that *The Great Gatsby* is actually a rather Gothic novel. This novel contains many of the Gothic elements that we recognize in authors such as Edgar Allan Poe.

**What are the key film techniques in *The Great Gatsby*?** In *The Great Gatsby* film, Baz Luhrmann attracts his audience through many in depth film techniques. The film techniques of close ups, mid shots and low angle shots allow a modern audience to connect with the protagonist at a deeper level.

**What narrative technique is used in *The Great Gatsby*?** *The Great Gatsby* is written in first-person limited perspective from Nick's point of view. This means that Nick uses the word "I" and describes events as he experienced them. He does not know what other characters are thinking unless they tell him.

**What techniques did Fitzgerald use in his writing?** Fitzgerald utilizes many writing techniques to draw the reader in and create his own unique style. He uses diction, similes, syntax, and rhetorical strategies to convey his message and understanding of his novels' qualities.

**What are the modernist techniques in *The Great Gatsby*?** Fitzgerald shows many modernism techniques like loss of control, alienation, corruption of the American Dream, breaking society's rules and feeling restless. Fitzgerald also shows modernism through the fragmented writing. One example of a modernism technique that Fitzgerald uses is loss of control.

**What literary device are most used in *The Great Gatsby*?** Literary Devices in the *Great Gatsby*: Symbolism Fitzgerald utilizes symbolism to convey deeper meanings and themes throughout the book. The green light is perhaps the most iconic symbol in the novel. The green light at the end of Daisy Buchanan's dock represents Gatsby's dreams and aspirations.

**What are the three main settings in *The Great Gatsby*?** The setting of the great *Gatsby* is very important because it says a great deal about the people who live there. There are four major settings in the book such as the East Egg, West Egg, the valley of ashes and New York City.

**What are the main elements of *The Great Gatsby*?**

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**What type of literary work is *The Great Gatsby*?** *The Great Gatsby* is an example of literary realism because it depicts the world as it really is. Realist novels employ geographically precise settings and locations, factual historic events, and accurate descriptions of social systems to reflect and implicitly critique contemporary society.

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**What type of narrator is in *The Great Gatsby*?** Nick Carraway is the narrator of *The Great Gatsby*, sharing the events of the novel from the first-person perspective. Nick Carraway is a veteran and bond salesman from the Midwest that moves to New York City looking for a job.

**What is the style of writing in *The Great Gatsby*?** The style of *The Great Gatsby* is wry, sophisticated, and elegiac, employing extended metaphors, figurative imagery, and poetic language to create a sense of nostalgia and loss. The book can be read as an extended elegy, or poetic lament, for Gatsby – “the man who gives his name to this book...

**What is the strongest theme in *The Great Gatsby*?** The American Dream is one of the major themes in *The Great Gatsby*. The life of Jay Gatsby himself is an embodiment of the American Dream, as he's a poor farm boy who changes his name and reinvents himself to become wealthy and successful, at least financially.

**What is Fitzgerald's purpose for writing *The Great Gatsby*?** In many ways, *The Great Gatsby* represents Fitzgerald's attempt to confront his conflicting feelings about the Jazz Age. Like Gatsby, Fitzgerald was driven by his love for a woman who symbolized everything he wanted, even as she led him toward everything he despised.

**Is *The Great Gatsby* modernism or postmodernism?** Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* can be regarded as an example of modernism due to “its refusal to fit comfortably into a literary mold, and its almost elastic ability to lend itself to markedly differing interpretations” (Prigozy, 2006: 343).

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**What design style is *Great Gatsby*?** One of the most captivating aspects of the film is its faithful representation of the Art Deco style, which was synonymous with luxury and modernity during the 1920s.

### **Zero Visibility: A Hazard to Avoid**

Zero visibility, also known as whiteout conditions, occurs when there is no discernible line between the horizon and the sky. This extreme weather condition makes it impossible to see anything beyond a few feet, creating a hazardous situation for motorists, pilots, and anyone else who ventures outdoors.

**Q: What causes zero visibility?** A: Zero visibility can be caused by fog, snow, dust, smoke, or any other substance that obscures visibility. It often occurs when warm, moist air meets cold, dry air, causing condensation and forming clouds or fog.

**Q: How can I identify zero visibility?** A: If you notice that you can't see anything beyond a few feet, or if you lose sight of familiar landmarks, you may be experiencing zero visibility. It's important to be aware of changing weather conditions and the potential for whiteout conditions.

**Q: What are the dangers of zero visibility?** A: Zero visibility can make it extremely difficult to navigate and can lead to accidents. Drivers may lose control of their vehicles, and pilots may be unable to land safely. People who venture outdoors on foot may easily become lost or disoriented.

**Q: What should I do if I encounter zero visibility?** A: If you encounter zero visibility while driving, pull over to the side of the road and turn on your hazard lights. Stay in your vehicle until visibility improves. If you're lost or disoriented, stay put and wait for help.

**Q: How can I prepare for zero visibility?** A: To prepare for zero visibility, monitor weather forecasts and avoid traveling in areas where it's likely to occur. If you must

travel, be sure to carry an emergency kit with food, water, a flashlight, and a radio. Also, inform someone of your travel plans and expected arrival time.

## **Technical Interview Questions and Answers for Civil Engineering**

### **1. Explain the role of a geotechnical engineer.**

- A geotechnical engineer studies and assesses the physical properties of soil and rock to determine their suitability for construction projects. They provide recommendations for foundation design, slope stability, and other aspects of site development.

### **2. Describe the different types of foundations and their applications.**

- Shallow foundations include spread footings, strip footings, and mat foundations, which are used for structures that do not require deep excavation. Deep foundations include piles, piers, and caissons, which are suitable for structures in areas with poor soil conditions or high water tables.

### **3. What are the key principles of structural analysis and design?**

- Structural analysis involves understanding the forces acting on a structure and calculating the stresses and strains it experiences. Structural design involves selecting appropriate materials and configurations to ensure the structure can withstand these forces safely and efficiently.

### **4. Explain the different types of construction materials used in civil engineering.**

- Common construction materials include concrete, steel, timber, masonry, and geosynthetic materials. Each material has its own unique properties and applications, and engineers must consider factors such as strength, durability, and cost when selecting materials for a particular project.

### **5. Describe the role of technology in modern civil engineering.**

- Technology plays a vital role in civil engineering, from design and analysis software to construction equipment and monitoring systems. Engineers use



technology to optimize designs, improve safety, and reduce project costs. Artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) are also emerging as important tools for data analysis and predictive modeling in civil engineering.

## **Unlocking Knowledge: Q&A on SK Singh's Comprehensive Book**

### **Q1: What is the scope and objective of SK Singh's book?**

A1: **SK Singh's book** is a comprehensive resource that delves into a wide range of topics related to engineering, science, and technology. Its primary objective is to provide readers with a foundational understanding and practical knowledge in these fields.

### **Q2: How does the book cater to different readers?**

A2: The book is tailored to meet the varying needs of students, researchers, and professionals. It offers a structured approach to learning, making it suitable for students at various levels of study. Additionally, its in-depth coverage provides a valuable reference for researchers and practitioners looking to expand their knowledge.

### **Q3: What are the key features that distinguish this book?**

A3: The book stands out with its clear and concise writing style, making complex concepts accessible. It incorporates solved examples, practice problems, and illustrations to reinforce comprehension. Furthermore, the book includes real-world case studies and industry examples to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical applications.

### **Q4: What are the specific areas covered by the book?**

A4: The book covers a diverse range of topics, including:

- Engineering Mechanics
- Engineering Mathematics
- Fluid Mechanics
- Thermodynamics

- Electrical Engineering
- Electronics Engineering
- Material Science
- Renewable Energy Sources

**Q5: How can readers access and use the book effectively?**

A5: The book is available in both print and digital formats. Readers can purchase the book from leading bookstores or online retailers. To maximize its effectiveness, readers should systematically review the chapters, take notes, and engage in practice problems. Additionally, seeking guidance from a knowledgeable instructor or tutor can further enhance understanding and retention of the material.

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