

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald

A Before Reading

- 1 Look at the pictures in the book and the picture on the cover.
 - (a) Do you think this story is about rich or poor people?
 - (b) What kind of jobs do you think they do?
 - (c) Do you think you will like the people in this story?

B While Reading

- 2 Here is Jay Gatsby. Look for:

things people say about Gatsby
things Gatsby says about himself

Write useful page numbers in the box – you will need them later.

	
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- 3 Here are the main people in the story. There is a list of words that you can use to describe people. You can use a dictionary to help you find the meanings. Put a tick (✓) on the chart if you think a word describes someone correctly.

	Tom Buchanan	Daisy Buchanan	Jay Gatsby	Myrtle Gatsby	George Wilson	Jordan Baker	Nick Carraway
silly							
shy							
kind							
cruel							
weak							
sensible							
nasty							
cowardly							
jealous							
unpleasant							
careless							
greedy							
rude							
bad-tempered							
unhappy							
thoughtless							
polite							
dishonest							
friendly							

C After Reading

- 4 If you write the story of somebody else's life, it is called a **biography**. What do you know about Jay Gatsby? Write his biography. (Use your notes for Question 2 to help you.)
- 5 Here are the guests at one of Gatsby's parties. What are they saying? Write in the speech bubbles.



- 6 Write an article for a magazine. Look at some magazines before you write your article. Include photographs or drawings if you want.
- (a) You are a journalist who writes for a women's magazine. You write about fashion – clothes, jewellery, hairstyles, make-up. You went to a party at Gatsby's house. Write an article for your magazine.
- or (b) *Everyone in West Egg knew Gatsby's car. Yellow and silver, it shone like the morning sun. We made ourselves comfortable on the green leather seats and set off for New York.* You are a journalist who writes for a motoring magazine – you write about cars. Write an article about Gatsby's car.

Have you read *The Beautiful and Damned* by the same author?
This is another Intermediate Level Reader.