

# Rubric for the Gatsby Paper: Who is Gatsby?

*In our class discussion, we read how one writer compares George W. Bush to a character in *The Great Gatsby*. An important part of analyzing literature is connecting it to other references—yourself, someone you know, a public figure, a story you saw in film or literature, or any other analogy.*

Use the rubric below to guide you in your writing of this essay. This will serve as your cover page, so plan to turn it in stapled to the front of the essay you submit.

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<b>Connection</b>	Makes an insightful and creative connection between <i>Gatsby</i> and another reference.	Makes a clear connection between <i>Gatsby</i> and another reference.	Mentions other references, but there is no demonstrated connection.	Mentions <i>Gatsby</i> or a reference, but makes no effort to connect them.
<b>Characters</b>	Demonstrates a deep understanding of three or more characters in <i>Gatsby</i>	Identifies three characters in <i>Gatsby</i> and describes them.	Mentions three characters without demonstrating an understanding of them.	Fewer than three characters are mentioned or characters are misidentified.
<b>Quotes</b>	Integrates quotes with descriptions to present a clear picture of the writer's thoughts.	Uses two or more quotes to back up the writer's opinions.	Two or more quotes are used, but they do not connect with the opinions.	Little or erratic use of quotations in the paper.

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*Friday: discuss connection ideas*

Essay due Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup>!!