

MIDTERM 2018

PART 1: The Great Gatsby

Characterize the following characters with as many adjectives as you can think of:

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| Tom | Nick | Gatsby |
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Answer the following:

After Gatsby's funeral, Nick leaves NY and moves back to his hometown. Why do you think he does this?

What could Gatsby's house symbolize?

What theme from the novel is expressed by the fact that Gatsby was chasing a dream of a life that was impossible to achieve?

Summarize what happens after Gatsby's death (the funeral, the Buchanans, etc)

What did Tom buy for Myrtle as a gift in Chapter 2?

Explain how each of the following themes is reinforced with how the novel ends.

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| Separation of social classes | The American Dream | The Desperation of Love |
| Expectations vs. Reality | The Shallowness of the Upper Class | Moral Decay |

PART 2: Gothic Lit

Answer the following:

What are other examples of irony we've seen in other stories?

What effect would be achieved if Shirley Jackson had had a storm roll in as the drawing of names started?

How does the setting of "The Lottery" contrast with the ending of the story?

Describe the point of view of each of the following:

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| The Raven | The Lottery | A Rose for Emily |
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Explain the main character's motive the characters' motive in each of these pieces.

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Describe how the setting helps with the mood of each of the following stories:

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Create a theme/s for the following stories. Do any of the stories have a similar theme? Explain.

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How would you best characterize the following characters

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| Narrator in "The Raven" | Tessie Hutchinson | Emily Grierson |
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Actual Midterm Questions:

Which of the following is the best example of manipulation of fears in the story?

PART 3: ACT English

What are rules/hints/strategies to help you with the following ACT skills?

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| Compound sentences | Complex sentences | Wordiness |
| Redundancy | Following Directions | SV Agreement: "and" rule |
| SV Agreement "or" rule | SV Agreement with Confusing Phrases | SV Agreement—always singular |
| SV Agreement—Both S and P Acronym: Words: | SV Agreement with Either/Neither | Words to test out your verb: Singular: Plural: |