

“Draw your chair up close to the edge of the precipice and I’ll tell you a story.”

F. SCOTT FITZGERALD



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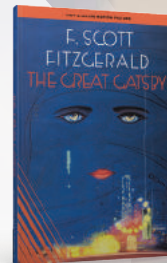


F. Scott Fitzgerald was a prolific writer who is known for portraying the Jazz Age. He was born in 1896 and named after his cousin Francis Scott Key, author of “The Star-Spangled Banner.” In

many ways, the decadence and idealism portrayed in Fitzgerald’s classic novel *The Great Gatsby* reflects his own story—a rags-to-riches American Dream rooted in both triumph and ruin.

He reaped the rewards of fame and fortune, but his extravagant lifestyle eventually took its toll.

Fitzgerald died from a heart attack in 1940 at the age of 44. His work did not earn the distinction it holds today until years later.



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