

### ◆ New Money and The American Dream

You have won the lottery and are now as rich as Gatsby is. List 5 things you want to do with your money.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_



### ◆ American Dream Poll

Before you dive into the reading and get to know the characters, let's get your take on some questions that will help you interpret *The Great Gatsby* and the ideas Fitzgerald wants to convey.

Rate your agreement or disagreement with each statement below.

#### 1. With enough desire and hard work, anything is achievable.

strongly disagree  somewhat disagree  not sure  somewhat agree  strongly agree

#### 2. Money contributes to happiness.

strongly disagree  somewhat disagree  not sure  somewhat agree  strongly agree

#### 3. All Americans have equal opportunity to reach their dreams.

strongly disagree  somewhat disagree  not sure  somewhat agree  strongly agree

These statements, and your opinions on them, will help you start thinking about some of the big questions that Fitzgerald poses throughout the novel. You can revisit them after you've finished the novel to see how your post-reading opinions compare.