

2020-21 Honors English 11 Summer Reading
Assignment 1: *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

1. **One** grammatically and structurally sound **paragraph** based on the prompt below is due **Monday, June 15, 2020**. It is worth 50 pts.; there is a 5 pt. deduction for each day your paragraph is late.
2. **Send no later than Monday, June 15, 2020, by one of these methods:**
 - To my email: kreach@bessemeracademy.com with subject line of GATSBY. Send early enough so that I receive your work by **June 15, 2020**.
 - US mail to Kaye Reach, Bessemer Academy, 1705 4th Ave. S.W., Bessemer, AL 35022.
 - Hand deliver to Bessemer Academy Office in a sealed envelope.
3. **Format:** Typed, using Times New Roman, 12' font, double spacing with margins of 1 inch.
 - Use your best writing skills --- no comma splices, fragments, or run-on sentences.
 - Type your full name in the right header of each page.
 - You may use no more than two Internet sources, but you must paraphrase. Do not use *Wikipedia*, *Shmoop*, or *E-Notes*. Alabama Virtual Library site, "Gale Literary Sources" is recommended. Provide an in-text citation for any "borrowed" information and provide a Works Cited on a separate page. Failure to cite may be considered plagiarism which

Paragraph: Discuss the symbolism of the items below. This paragraph should be at least 1 ½ pages in length. Begin with a good topic sentence that explains what the paragraph is about.

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| --The valley of ashes | --The eyes of Dr. T. J. Eckleburg |
| --The green light at the end of Daisy's dock | --East Egg and West Egg |
| --Gatsby's dream | |

Assignment 2: *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne

1. Read *The Scarlet Letter*. Also, read the "The Custom House" section which is not a part of the story, but it is relevant to the story.
2. Write a five-paragraph expository essay based on the essay prompt below that has been assigned to you.
 - Type using standard essay format: Times New Roman, double spacing, 12', with one inch margins. Center the title of your essay on the first line below the MLA information.
 - In-text citations and a Works Cited must accompany the essay if you borrow information from any source. Use no more than two sources if you do use sources other than the novel.
3. MLA Info: Name, Honors English 11, *Scarlet Letter* Option ____, date of submission.
4. Submit the essay by **July 17, 2020**, by one of three methods listed above for Assignment 1.
5. The essay is worth 50 pts. There is a deduction of 5 pts. per day if your essay is late.

If your last name begins with M-Z, use Option #1:

Option 1: Describe the forest, the market-place and the scaffold, and explain their significance as settings.

If your last name begins with A-L, use Option #2:

Option 2: Explain how the concepts of guilt, repression, and social pressure work together in this novel.