The Great Gatsby Pre-reading activity and project

1. What is the American Dream?

2. how can we achieve the American Dream?

3. How does literature reflect and comment on a time period?

4. How does classic literature connect to our lives today?

Literature ***allows a person to step back in time and learn about life on Earth from the ones who walked before us****. We can gather a better understanding of culture and have a greater appreciation of them. We learn through the ways history is recorded, in the forms of manuscripts and through speech itself.*

LIVEWORKSHEETS

The Roaring 1920s

- Prohibition
- Women's right to vote
- Income tax
- Post-war recession
- Stock market crashing in 1929
- Rebirth of KKK in 1929
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The Project

1) What is your American Dream?

Hopes, goals, desires, needs, wants

2) What will it take to achieve your dream?

Needs, people, time

3) Design a product that details your dream and how you are going to achieve it.

The Project Rubric

- **91-100 – 3-D product (model) with pictures and/or objects that clearly illustrates the dream and plan of 3 major things you need to do to get there. Use any materials you desire to make it creative and interesting and informative. Someone should be able to look at it and see your plan exactly without you even being there.**
- **76 – 90 2-D poster board illustration of your goal and plan of 3 things. Someone should be able to look at it and see your plan exactly without you even being there.**
- **66 - 75 – 2-D hand drawn or computer-generated image of your goal and plan of 3 things on regular sized 8 ½ by 11 paper. Someone should be able to look at it and see your plan exactly without you even being there.**
- **0- 65- Written report of at least 100 words detailing your goal and plan of 3 things**

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