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Pre-Reading Activity for The Great Gatsby

1. What do you know about F. Scott Fitzgerald?

2. Why are we still reading a book written in the 1920s? What gives a book longevity?

3. What do you know about the "Roaring Twenties" or the "Jazz Age"? Research your answer!

4. Some people think having money leads to happiness. Do you agree? Why or why not? What are the advantages or disadvantages of being **affluent**?

5. How are economic classes separated in Colombia? Is it just money or is there more to it? Explain and give examples.

6. Would you say it's relatively easy to cross economic/social classes? For example, can the nouveau riche (newly wealthy—people who win the lottery, for example) simply slip into an upper-class life and be completely accepted?

7. From your own experiences, how well do the classes get along in Colombia with each other? Explain with examples—positive and negative.

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8. What is the American Dream?

9. Where did the American Dream originate, and how has it changed over the centuries?

10. How does one achieve The American Dream?

11. Is the American Dream exclusive to a particular group or kind of person or can anyone achieve it?

12.Is the American Dream still alive today? Give examples and elaborate on your answer.

13. Have you ever wanted to relive a moment from your past, to redo it? describe the situation. How and why would you change the past?

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