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English III - *The Great Gatsby*

Chapter 2 Discussion Questions

1. Why is Wilson covered in ash dust?

2. Why does Myrtle Wilson behave with such arrogance towards her husband?

3. How does Nick see himself at the apartment? Find and cite evidence which supports your answer *and*

that supports his role as an “objective narrator.”

4. What facets of Tom’s personality are revealed in his altercation with Myrtle?

5. How is Dr. T. J. Eckleburg used in this chapter?

6. What seems to be the main interest and ambition of the guests at the party Tom and Myrtle give?

7. What do we learn about Gatsby in this chapter?

8. What do Myrtle Wilson’s magazines and interests tell about her?

9. Explain what you think Fitzgerald is saying about America (circa 1920’s) by using these parties as a

microcosm of reality. That is, what are the “Personal Codes” of that era depending upon social class?

Who has the American Dream? Why?