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English III – *The Great Gatsby*

Chapters 8 and 9 Discussion Questions

1. What is important about the fact that Nick takes charge of the funeral?

2. What happens to Tom and Daisy? What is Nick’s reaction to their behavior?

3. What is important about Mr. Gatz’s arrival? What are the two emotions pulling at Mr. Gatz?

4. What is the pathos **(the quality or power in an actual life experience or in literature, music, speech, or**

 **other forms of expression, of evoking a feeling of pity or compassion)** of Gatsby’s resolutions?

5. What is the irony of Mr. Gatz saying that if his son had lived, he might have become another James J. Hill **(a good idea here: look him up!)**?

6. What is the importance of the owl-eyed man’s attendance at the funeral?

7. Explain Jordan’s comment about the “bad driver.”

8. How does Nick explain the tragedy as a contrast between The East and The Midwest?

9. How has Nick matured at the end of the story?