

Character Sketch Presentation

Instructions: The characters in *The Great Gatsby* are complex in their shifting motivations and fickle emotions. For this assignment, choose a major character from the novel and create a presentation in which you depict that character's thoughts, desires, actions, and obstacles. The presentation should be organized in this way:

Slide Focus	Description	Contents
Slide 1: Image	<p>In this slide, you should include an image that represents your chosen character. This image should interpret something about the character.</p> <p>Note: Do not use anything that explicitly depicts the character! This includes images from movies and drawings of the character.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Your character's name• An image depicting the character.• 1-2 sentences explaining why you chose this image.
Slide 2: Thoughts	<p>Nick will often provide his opinion on what the characters are thinking. These thoughts provide valuable insight into why the characters act the way they do.</p> <p>In this slide, focus on what your character thinks about in the novel.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One claim to describe what your character thinks about throughout the novel.• One piece of textual evidence to validate this claim.• 1-2 sentences of reasoning to explain why you chose this evidence.
Slide 3: Desires	<p>The reason the plot in <i>The Great Gatsby</i> is so complex is that all of the characters want very different things for their lives.</p> <p>In this slide, describe what your character wants in the book. This desire can be superficial or existential depending on the character.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One claim to describe what your character desires throughout the novel.• One piece of textual evidence to validate this claim.• 1-2 sentences of reasoning to explain why you chose this evidence.
Slide 4: Actions	<p>Often, there is tension between what happens in a person's mind and how they actually behave.</p> <p>In this slide, you need to focus on what your character actually does in the novel and what actions they take to obtain their goal.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One claim to describe what your character does throughout the novel.• One piece of textual evidence to validate this claim.• 1-2 sentences of reasoning to explain why you chose this evidence.
Slide 5: Obstacles	<p>None of the characters in <i>The Great Gatsby</i> have an easy path to their goal. There are many things that prevent them from getting what they want.</p> <p>In this slide, describe the obstacles that prevent your character from obtaining their goal.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One claim to describe what your character needs to overcome throughout the novel.• One piece of textual evidence to validate this claim.• 1-2 sentences of reasoning to explain why you chose this evidence.