## Day 1: The Great Gatsby MLA Research Project

Characterization is crucial to a full appreciation and understanding of Fitzgerald's proposition regarding the values and state of American society. Each major character performs a critical role in the author's argument that American values are devoid of substance, resulting in the unfortunate consequence of class struggle.

- 1. Quickly decide whether you will be working alone or with a partner.

  We strongly suggest that you work with a partner.
- 2. See Mrs. Rinearson to . . .
  - a. report whether you are working alone or with a partner
  - b. receive your character for the project

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- 3. Start a new project in NoodleTools
  - a. Project Title: LastNames CharacterName (BurrowClement Daisy)
  - b. Share it with your partner one NoodleTools project per pair
  - c. Share it with Mrs. Rinearson
    - i. Hour 1 Dropbox → Rinearson1 Gatsby MLA Research
    - ii. Hour 2 Dropbox → Rinearson2 Gatsby MLA Research
    - iii. Hour 7 Dropbox → Rinearson7 Gatsby MLA Research
    - iv. Add the novel as one of your Sources
      - 1. Fitzgerald, F. Scott. The Great Gatsby. Scribner, 2004.
- 4. Conduct research:

- Locate a minimum of ten primary passages and/or quotations from the novel which definitively show
  who the character is and what he/she is all about. Create ten notecards (one for each quotation) in
  NoodleTools.
  - 1. Type the entire passage into the 'Direct Quotation' section of the notecard
    - a. Insert appropriate quotation marks and parenthetical citation
  - 2. Analyze the quotation (3-5 well-developed sentences) in the 'My Ideas' section of the notecard

## See example notecard below →

