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Group members: _____

Topic: _____

Due Date: _____

100 Points for Topic before the Reading

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To better understand the culture of the 1920's, you will develop an I-Movie over one of the following topics: prohibition, 1920's crime, old money/new money, sports of the 1920's, celebrities and politicians of the 1920's, the Jazz Age, or fashion of the 1920's. All I-movies should feature background music of the 1920's, contain correct spelling and grammar usage, answer all the questions, and have a MLA Works Cited page.

At the conclusion of the novel, you will need to edit your I-Movie as you will be adding an important culminating perspective to your I-Movie. How is your topic reflected in Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*. You will want to use specific examples, cite relevant quotes, and discuss this in your I-Movie, so you will need to be looking for key ideas and quotes as you read *The Great Gatsby*. There is an excellent student example on my webpage for Mockingbirds, which was used for *To Kill a Mockingbird*. This assignment is worth 100 points. This new portion to your I-Movie must contain correct spelling and grammar usage, answer the question how this topic is relevant to *The Great Gatsby*, and update your MLA Works Cited page as you will be using quotes and information from F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*. Also, reflect why studying and researching this topic helped you understand the novel better?

1. Prohibition: Discuss the history of prohibition. When did it start and why? Was it unpopular? What effects occurred because of prohibition? Was it easy to enforce? When did it end and why?
2. 1920's Crime: Why was crime so rampant in the 1920's? Why did organized crime spread so quickly and what led to organized crime in the 1920's? Who were notorious gangsters of the 1920's crime scene? What if any are the parallels of today's crime lords to those of the 1920's
3. Old Money/ New Money: What is the criteria for being termed old money? During the 1920's who was considered old money? Do those that come from old money act differently from those who come from new money? What is the criteria for being termed new money? During the 1920's who was considered new money?
4. Sports of the 1920's: What sports were popular? Who were the major sport stars? Golf and polo in *The Great Gatsby* were reserved for wealthy families. Do you

believe this to be true today? Do you think that there are certain sports just reserved for the wealthy today?

5. Celebrities and Politicians of the 1920's: Who were the major celebrities and politicians of the 1920's and what were they famous for in the 1920's? Explain what the follies were and who were celebrities from the Ziegfeld Follies? What are the "Follies" of today?
6. The Jazz Age: Define what was the Jazz Age? How did the jazz movement come about? Who were part of the Jazz Age? Discuss specific examples of important songs and make sure that your I-movie features these pieces. What did these topics say about the evolution of Civil Rights and the Women's Movement? What ethnic group was the motivation behind the Jazz Age? Why is that significant?
7. Fashion of the 1920's: Explain and have many visuals for the fashion of the 1920's for men and women. Discuss the history of the fashion of the 1920's and what inspired the looks of the 1920's. Also, discuss the fashion of dance of the 1920's and perhaps demonstrate how to dance a foxtrot or the Charleston. What were the clothes/hair styles/ makeup that women wore meant to represent before and after this time? What did the fashion of the 1920's say about the evolution of Civil Rights and the Women's Movement?