



The Great Gatsby Nick as the Narrator

From the beginning of the novel, Nick Carraway assures readers that he is unfailingly honest and does not make judgments about other people. However, as his is the only point of view readers actually experience, readers cannot know if Nick is truly a reliable narrator. Complete the chart by writing words Nick uses to describe the novel's characters, including himself, as well as what these descriptions reveal about Nick's opinion of each character.

| Character | How Nick Describes the Character | Nick's Opinion of the Character |
|----------------|--|---|
| Jay Gatsby | <i>having a smile with eternal reassurance, punctilious, impatient, proud of his house</i> | <i>While Nick disapproves of wealth and debauchery, he sees Gatsby as innocent and hopeful and ultimately too good for those he aspires to be like.</i> |
| Nick Carraway | | |
| Daisy Buchanan | | |
| Tom Buchanan | | |
| Jordan Baker | | |
| Myrtle Wilson | | |
| George Wilson | | |

RL.11-12.6 Analyze a case in which grasping a point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).