



# The Great Gatsby Whom Does Daisy Love?

While *The Great Gatsby* largely focuses on Gatsby's love for Daisy, by the end of the novel, readers are left unclear on whether Daisy loves him or Tom—or if she truly loves either of them at all. As Daisy never states her true feelings, we must make inferences, or educated guesses, about whom she actually loves.

Read each piece of evidence from the text, and write an inference about what this evidence reveals about Daisy's true feelings.

Evidence	Inference
Daisy married Tom Buchanan.	<i>She may have felt some affection for him at some point but may have mainly been attracted to his wealth and status.</i>
Jordan tells Nick that the night before Daisy married Tom, Daisy cried.	
Daisy and Gatsby begin an affair.	
At the hotel in New York, Daisy cannot say she never loved Tom, as Gatsby urges her to do.	
Daisy hits Myrtle Wilson while driving Gatsby's car and lets Gatsby take the blame for it.	
Daisy leaves East Egg with Tom before Gatsby's funeral.	

Use your inferences above to answer the following question: Do you think Daisy was in love with Tom, Gatsby, or neither of them?

RL.11-12.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.