

THE GREAT GATSBY AND THE SENSE OF TASTE: CHARACTER RECIPES

WHAT CAN THE TASTE OF FOOD REVEAL ABOUT A CHARACTER?

Consider this question: *What can the taste of food reveal about a character?*

PROCEDURE:

On a separate sheet of paper or cardstock, you will explore how the sense of taste functions in *The Great Gatsby* by composing a recipe that makes connections between culinary creations and character. Use real recipe card examples, including form, standard measurements, and standard cooking directions to inspire your own recipe. Remember to always keep the text in mind and let your character’s connection to the “taste” selected drive your composition!

I. BRAINSTORM

CHARACTER NAME	
THE “TASTE” OR “TASTES” THAT BEST DESCRIBE YOUR CHARACTER’S PERSONALITY, RELATIONSHIPS, AND/OR ACTIONS	
SUPPORTING TEXT EVIDENCE	
NAME OF DISH/RECIPE	
DESCRIBE DISH/RECIPE	

II. CHARACTER RECIPE CARD FORMAT

At a minimum, all elements of the format below must be included in your final product, although you may be flexible with the format. The final product should appear like a realistic recipe card, however the dimensions should be no smaller than this 8 ½ X 11 paper. Create your recipe card either on paper or cardstock.

RECIPE NAME:	
FROM THE KITCHEN OF:	SERVES:
INGREDIENTS: • • • •	 • • • •
DIRECTIONS: • • • • •	
TASTE DESCRIPTION (THIS WILL APPEAR ON THE BACK OF YOUR CARD):	

III. RUBRIC:

Details	Below Target	Targeted Goal	Above Target
Characterization of novel's character _____/20		-Understanding of the chosen character's personality, relationships to others, and role in plot is clear and applied	
Thorough and consistent inclusion and application of taste(s) _____/20		-The taste(s) chosen are fitting and a relationship to the character and text is included and applied consistently throughout the recipe	
Relationship between character and taste _____/20		-The relationship between the taste(s) and the character is shown. Particularly, the impact of the feeling of the object reveals aspects of the character's feelings	
Extension reflection and text evidence _____/20		-The "Taste Description" extension is complete on the back and text evidence is included	
Creative and thorough recipe format _____/20		-Each element of the recipe format (on handout) should be included and presented in a neat, creative manner. Presented on 8 ½ X 11 paper or cardstock	
TOTAL: _____/100			