The Great Gatsby

**Notes, Chapter 2**

* Introduces The Valley of Ashes (an area outside of the eggs, full of dust and gloom.)
* As you drive into The Valley of Ashes, you see an eye doctor billboard for Dr. T.J. Eckleburg (symbolizes God/Jesus watching over you at all times.)
* Nick went up to New York with Tom, and met his mistress. (Tom basically forced him).
* They go to Wilson’s garage and meet Myrtle. Myrtle is thick (curvy).
* They get to the city (in separate cars) and Myrtle makes Tom buy her a puppy for their apartment.
* They go up to the apartment, Myrtle calls her neighbors and her sister, Catherine. They drink whiskey (Nick has only been drunk once before this).
* Myrtle is married to George Wilson (the garage owner). Myrtle puts up with Tom’s behavior because she gets to live a “fancy life” in New York with Tom’s money.
* The night went on, they got drunker and drunker. Myrtle started jabbing at Tom about Daisy. She wouldn’t stop saying her name, so he broke her nose.
* Nick got drunk, doesn’t remember what happened, woke up in a train station.