

Example of Student Brainstorming for Annotations

This will get everything spread out in

- this is an awkward moment - I've had these.

- what is this?

Another pause. A waiter knocked and came in with crushed mint and ice but the silence was unbroken by his "Thank you" and the soft closing of the door. This tremendous detail was to be cleared up at last.

- Oxford

"I told you I went there," said Gatsby.

What is so important about this date?

"I heard you, but I'd like to know when."

Tom dislikes Gatsby and wants to ruin his reputation by showing what he's a nobody.

"It was nineteen-nineteen. I only stayed five months. That's why I can't really call myself an Oxford man."

I found out that this is a college in England - maybe I can use a picture

Tom glanced around to see if we mirrored his unbelief. But we were all looking at Gatsby.

Tom wants to be everyone like him - he is so arrogant

"It was an opportunity they gave to some of the officers after the Armistice," he continued. "We could go to any of the universities in England or France." (136)

what is this?

once again - Gatsby gets all the attention

why not any in the United States? Is this more prestigious?