

ABSTRACT

Many of us have heard about the American dreams that consist of having a lot of money and gaining material possession. This study will do its best in describing the American society during the era 1920s, their dreams that want to be achieved, and the consequences of believing the dreams. Some characters in Fitzgerald's novel describe the American dreams, their efforts to achieve it, and how far do the dreams influence them in living their lives. Firstly, a literary study is necessarily used, since this study is intended to describe the American dreams. Next, I explain about the Roaring Twenties and the events that follow the era such as consumerism, alcoholism, the flappers, intolerance to the Blacks, and the development of Jazz music in chapter two. In the third chapter, I analyze the American dreams in *The Great Gatsby* that make the characters become the society who worship money, live in illusion, and loss their morality and faith to God. The advancement of American society in some aspects especially in economy didn't always bring positive impacts on their life.