Tom Buchanan

Tom Buchanan is a character from the book “The Great Gatsby”.

Tom is an immensely wealthy arrogant and hypocritical man. He has learned from his past and it brought him to be a forceful man. His wealth comes from his socially solid and old family. He often behaves racist and shows indication of Sexism. He seems to think that he is better than everyone because of his wealth.

As mysterious as he is, he does not like to express his own thoughts especially around Daisy. As quoted in the book, “The butler came back and murmured something to Tom's ear whereupon Tom frowned, pushed back his chair and without a word went outside.” Tom was surprised by what the butler had to tell him and made him vanish for the evening.

Tom is a very strict and straight-forward man and he will tell his opinion about anything without a second thought, but when it comes to himself, he will just ignore it and keep his chin up.

Tom likes to be the center of attention. Because he was brought from a sophisticated family, he takes advantage of his knowledge and uses it against others. He often is so insisting that he gets what he wants. He likes to contradict people and make it seem as if he was the head speaker of a conversation. Tom in general is just a man, who thinks he can get away from certain things, hiding behind his knowledge background and his wealth.

He is in a relationship with Daisy, but has an affair with Myrtle. As Jordan says, everybody knows about his affair. But when Tom finds out about his wife’s affair with Gatsby, he becomes outraged and searches the confrontation with both of them.