

The Great Gatsby

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Likely typos

45 clear errors worth fixing.

typo	
Find by	In my younger and
Problem	In my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me some advise that I've been turning over in my mind ever since.
Fix	In my younger and more vulnerable years my father gave me some advice that I've been turning over in my mind ever since.

duplicate word

Find by been turning over in my mind ever since.

Problem "Whenever you feel like criticizing anyone," he told me, "just remember **that** that all the people in this world haven't had the advantages that you've had."

Fix "Whenever you feel like criticizing anyone," he told me, "just remember that all the people in this world haven't had the advantages that you've had."

typo

Find by been turning over in my mind ever since.

Problem He didn't say any more, but we've always been unusually communicative in a reserved way, and I understood that he meant a great deal more **then** that.

Fix He didn't say any more, but we've always been unusually communicative in a reserved way, and I understood that he meant a great deal more **than** that.

typo

Find by to the admission that it has a limit.

Problem Conduct may be founded on the hard rock or the wet marshes, but after a certain point I don't care what **its** founded on.

Fix Conduct may be founded on the hard rock or the wet marshes, but after a certain point I don't care what **it's** founded on.

typo

Find by no," I answered, rather surprised by his tone.

Problem Well, it's a fine book, and everybody ought **too** read it.

Fix Well, it's a fine book, and everybody ought **to** read it.

typo

Find by of connecting verandas to the porch in front.

Problem In **it's** deep gloom we sat down side by side on a wicker settee.

Fix In **its** deep gloom we sat down side by side on a wicker settee.

duplicate word

Find by you anon." "Of course you will," confirmed Daisy.

Problem "Of course you will," confirmed Daisy. "In fact I think I'll arrange **a** a marriage. Come over often, Nick, and I'll sort of—oh—fling you together. You know—lock you up accidentally in linen closets and push you out to sea in a boat, and all that sort of thing—"

Fix "Of course you will," confirmed Daisy. "In fact I think I'll arrange a marriage. Come over often, Nick, and I'll sort of—oh—fling you together. You know—lock you up accidentally in linen closets and push you out to sea in a boat, and all that sort of thing—"

punctuation

Find by by side in a cheerful square of light.

Problem As I started my motor Daisy peremptorily called: "Wait**!**"

Fix As I started my motor Daisy peremptorily called: "Wait**!"**"

typo

Find by Already it was deep summer on roadhouse roofs

Problem Already it was deep summer on roadhouse roofs and in front of wayside garages, **were** new red petrol-pumps sat out in pools of light, and when I reached my estate at West Egg I ran the car under its shed and sat for a while on an abandoned grass roller in the yard.

Fix Already it was deep summer on roadhouse roofs and in front of wayside garages, **where** new red petrol-pumps sat out in pools of light, and when I reached my estate at West Egg I ran the car under its shed and sat for a while on an abandoned grass roller in the yard.

typo

Find by ministering to it, and contiguous to absolutely nothing.

Problem One of the three shops it contained was for rent and another was an all-night restaurant, approached by a **trial** of ashes; the third was a garage—Repairs.

Fix One of the three shops it contained was for rent and another was an all-night restaurant, approached by a **trail** of ashes; the third was a garage—Repairs.

typo

Find by "That's no police dog," said Tom. "No, its

Problem "No, **its** not exactly a police dog," said the man with disappointment in his voice.

Fix "No, **it's** not exactly a police dog," said the man with disappointment in his voice.

typo

Find by Catherine sat down beside me on the couch.

Problem "Do you live down on Long Island, **to**?" she inquired.

Fix "Do you live down on Long Island, **too**?" she inquired.

duplicate word

Find by I knew he was below me. Everybody kept

Problem "Yes, but listen," said Myrtle Wilson, nodding **her** her head up and down, "at least you didn't marry him."

Fix "Yes, but listen," said Myrtle Wilson, nodding her head up and down, "at least you didn't marry him."

typo

Find by back, as if with ropes, into my chair.

Problem Yet high over the city our line of yellow windows must **of** contributed their share of human secrecy to the casual watcher in the darkening streets, and I saw him too, looking up and wondering.

Fix Yet high over the city our line of yellow windows must **have** contributed their share of human secrecy to the casual watcher in the darkening streets, and I saw him too, looking up and wondering.

typo

Find by My voice seemed unnaturally loud across the garden.

Problem "I thought you might be **hear**," she responded absently as I came up.

Fix "I thought you might be **here**," she responded absently as I came up.

typo

Find by The two girls and Jordan leaned together confidentially.

Problem "Somebody told me they **though** he killed a man once."

Fix "Somebody told me they **thought** he killed a man once."

typo

Find by and had the effect of stimulating my curiosity.

Problem I would **of** accepted without question the information that Gatsby sprang from the swamps of Louisiana or from the lower East Side of New York.

Fix I would **have** accepted without question the information that Gatsby sprang from the swamps of Louisiana or from the lower East Side of New York.

typo

Find by I looked around. Most of the remaining women

Problem Most of the remaining women **where** now having fights with men said to be their husbands.

Fix Most of the remaining women **were** now having fights with men said to be their husbands.

typo

Find by "Good night, old sport ... Good night." But

Problem But as I walked down the steps I saw that the evening was not **quiet** over.

Fix But as I walked down the steps I saw that the evening was not **quite** over.

typo

Find by those who came to Gatsby's house that summer.

Problem It is an old timetable now, disintegrating at **it's** folds, and headed "This schedule in effect July 5th, 1922."

Fix It is an old timetable now, disintegrating at **its** folds, and headed "This schedule in effect July 5th, 1922."

typo

Find by All these people came to Gatsby's house in

Problem At nine o'clock, one morning late in July, Gatsby's gorgeous car lurched up the rocky drive **too** my door and gave out a burst of melody from its three-noted horn.

Fix At nine o'clock, one morning late in July, Gatsby's gorgeous car lurched up the rocky drive **to** my door and gave out a burst of melody from its three-noted horn.

typo

Find by urgent invitation, made frequent use of his beach.

Problem "Good morning, old sport. You're having lunch with me today and I **though** we'd ride up together."

Fix "Good morning, old sport. You're having lunch with me today and I **thought** we'd ride up together."

duplicate word

Find by ceiling. "But I like across the street better!"

Problem "Yes, highballs," agreed Gatsby, **and** and then to Mr. Wolfshiem: "It's too hot over there."

Fix "Yes, highballs," agreed Gatsby, and then to Mr. Wolfshiem: "It's too hot over there."

typo

Find by been looking at them, but I did now.

Problem They **where** composed of oddly familiar pieces of ivory.

Fix They **were** composed of oddly familiar pieces of ivory.

typo

Find by All day long the telephone rang in her

Problem All day long the telephone rang in her house and excited young officers **form** Camp Taylor demanded the privilege of monopolizing her that night.

Fix All day long the telephone rang in her house and excited young officers **from** Camp Taylor demanded the privilege of monopolizing her that night.

typo

Find by tomorrow and invite her over here to tea."

Problem "Oh, that's all right," he said carelessly. "I don't want **too** put you to any trouble."

Fix "Oh, that's all right," he said carelessly. "I don't want **to** put you to any trouble."

typo

Find by what you mean." "What grass?" he inquired blankly.

Problem He looked out the window at it, but, judging **form** his expression, I don't believe he saw a thing.

Fix He looked out the window at it, but, judging **from** his expression, I don't believe he saw a thing.

duplicate word

Find by I think it was The Journal. Have you

Problem I took him into **the** the pantry, where he looked a little reproachfully at the Finn.

Fix I took him into the pantry, where he looked a little reproachfully at the Finn.

typo

Find by over it, every arched door and square tower.

Problem "It took me just three years **too** earn the money that bought it."

Fix "It took me just three years **to** earn the money that bought it."

typo

Find by significance of that light had now vanished forever.

Problem Compared to the great distance that had separated him **form** Daisy it had seemed very near to her, almost touching her.

Fix Compared to the great distance that had separated him **from** Daisy it had seemed very near to her, almost touching her.

duplicate word

Find by he formed the habit of letting liquor alone.

Problem And **it** it was from Cody that he inherited money—a legacy of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Fix And it was from Cody that he inherited money—a legacy of twenty-five thousand dollars.

typo

Find by Nothing at all, thanks ... I'm sorry— "Did

Problem Moved by an irresistible impulse, Gatsby turned **too** Tom, who had accepted the introduction as a stranger.

Fix Moved by an irresistible impulse, Gatsby turned **to** Tom, who had accepted the introduction as a stranger.

typo

Find by and watching the moving-picture director and his Star.

Problem They were still under the white-plum tree and their faces were touching **accept** for a pale, thin ray of moonlight between.

Fix They were still under the white-plum tree and their faces were touching **except** for a pale, thin ray of moonlight between.

typo

Find by "I feel far away from her," he said.

Problem "It's hard **too** make her understand."

Fix "It's hard **to** make her understand."

duplicate word

Find by "Madame expects you in in the salon!" he

Problem "Madame expects you **in** in the salon!" he cried, needlessly indicating the direction.

Fix "Madame expects you in the salon!" he cried, needlessly indicating the direction.

typo

Find by he kept looking at the child with surprise.

Problem I don't think he had ever really believed in **it's** existence before.

Fix I don't think he had ever really believed in **its** existence before.

typo

Find by beating against it, moulding its senselessness into forms.

Problem "I've heard of making a garage out of a stable," Tom was saying **too** Gatsby, "but I'm the first man who ever made a stable out of a garage."

Fix "I've heard of making a garage out of a stable," Tom was saying **to** Gatsby, "but I'm the first man who ever made a stable out of a garage."

duplicate word

Find by face like objects into a slowly developing picture.

Problem There is no confusion like **the** the confusion of a simple mind, and as we drove away Tom was feeling the hot whips of panic.

Fix There is no confusion like the confusion of a simple mind, and as we drove away Tom was feeling the hot whips of panic.

typo

Find by to town." There was a moment of silence.

Problem The telephone book slipped from its nail and splashed **too** the floor, whereupon Jordan whispered, "Excuse me"—but this time no one laughed.

Fix The telephone book slipped from its nail and splashed **to** the floor, whereupon Jordan whispered, "Excuse me"—but this time no one laughed.

typo

Find by ordered, "and I'll make you a mint julep.

Problem Then you **wont** seem so stupid to yourself ... Look at the mint!"

Fix Then you **won't** seem so stupid to yourself ... Look at the mint!"

typo

Find by take better care of you from now on."

Problem "You don't understand," said Gatsby, with a touch of panic. "You're not going **too** take care of her any more."

Fix "You don't understand," said Gatsby, with a touch of panic. "You're not going **to** take care of her any more."

duplicate word

Find by accidental, isolated, like ghosts, even from our pity.

Problem After **a** a moment Tom got up and began wrapping the unopened bottle of whisky in the towel.

Fix After a moment Tom got up and began wrapping the unopened bottle of whisky in the towel.

typo

Find by sidewalk or the tumult of the elevated overhead.

Problem Human sympathy has **it's** limits, and we were content to let all their tragic arguments fade with the city lights behind.

Fix Human sympathy has **its** limits, and we were content to let all their tragic arguments fade with the city lights behind.

typo

Find by "The God damned coward!" he whimpered. "He didn't

Problem The Buchanans' house floated suddenly toward us **threw** the dark rustling trees.

Fix The Buchanans' house floated suddenly toward us **through** the dark rustling trees.

typo

Find by inside and the butler's voice calling a taxi.

Problem Then I walked slowly down the drive away **form** the house, intending to wait by the gate.

Fix Then I walked slowly down the drive away **from** the house, intending to wait by the gate.

Worth a look

29 probable errors to confirm against your intent.

missing word

Find by	My family have been prominent, well-to-do people this
Problem	My family have been prominent, well-to-do people this Middle Western city for three generations.
Fix	My family have been prominent, well-to-do people in this Middle Western city for three generations.

typo

Find by	hardware business that my father carries on today.
Problem	I never saw this great-uncle, but I'm suppose to look like him—with special reference to the rather hard-boiled painting that hangs in father's office.
Fix	I never saw this great-uncle, but I'm supposed to look like him—with special reference to the rather hard-boiled painting that hangs in father's office.

typo

Find by	He had changed since his New Haven years.
Problem	Now he were a sturdy straw-haired man of thirty, with a rather hard mouth and a supercilious manner.
Fix	Now he was a sturdy straw-haired man of thirty, with a rather hard mouth and a supercilious manner.

typo

Find by of notes that will never be played again.

Problem Her face was sad and lovely with bright things in it, bright eyes and a bright passionate mouth, but there was an excitement in her voice that men who had cared for her found difficult to forget: a singing compulsion, a whispered "Listen," a promise that she had **did** gay, exciting things just a while since and that there were gay, exciting things hovering in the next hour.

Fix Her face was sad and lovely with bright things in it, bright eyes and a bright passionate mouth, but there was an excitement in her voice that men who had cared for her found difficult to forget: a singing compulsion, a whispered "Listen," a promise that she had **done** gay, exciting things just a while since and that there were gay, exciting things hovering in the next hour.

missing word

Find by some of the small scandal magazines of Broadway.

Problem Sitting on Tom's lap Mrs. Wilson called up several people on the telephone; then there **was** no cigarettes, and I went out to buy some at the drugstore on the corner.

Fix Sitting on Tom's lap Mrs. Wilson called up several people on the telephone; then there **were** no cigarettes, and I went out to buy some at the drugstore on the corner.

typo

Find by a noisy, creaking pivot through the smoky air.

Problem "My dear," she told her sister in a high, mincing shout, "most of these fellas will cheat you every time. All they think of is money. I had a woman up here last week to look at my feet, and when she gave me the bill you'd **of** thought she had my appendicitis out."

Fix "My dear," she told her sister in a high, mincing shout, "most of these fellas will cheat you every time. All they think of is money. I had a woman up here last week to look at my feet, and when she gave me the bill you'd **have** thought she had my appendicitis out."

typo

Find by elaborate formality of speech just missed being absurd.

Problem Some time before he introduced himself I'd got a strong impression that he **were** picking his words with care.

Fix Some time before he introduced himself I'd got a strong impression that he **was** picking his words with care.

typo

Find by a burst of melody from its three-noted horn.

Problem It was the first time he had called on me, though I had **went** to two of his parties, mounted in his hydroplane, and, at his urgent invitation, made frequent use of his beach.

Fix It was the first time he had called on me, though I had **gone** to two of his parties, mounted in his hydroplane, and, at his urgent invitation, made frequent use of his beach.

typo

Find by my disappointment, that he had little to say.

Problem So my first impression, that he **were** a person of some undefined consequence, had gradually faded and he had become simply the proprietor of an elaborate roadhouse next door.

Fix So my first impression, that he **was** a person of some undefined consequence, had gradually faded and he had become simply the proprietor of an elaborate roadhouse next door.

typo

Find by live the night they shot Rosy Rosenthal there.

Problem It was six of us at the table, and Rosy had **eat** and drunk a lot all evening.

Fix It was six of us at the table, and Rosy had **eaten** and drunk a lot all evening.

typo

Find by and I pulled him down in his chair.

Problem "It was four o'clock in the morning then, and if we'd **of** raised the blinds we'd **of** seen daylight."

Fix "It was four o'clock in the morning then, and if we'd **have** raised the blinds we'd **have** seen daylight."

missing word

Find by hurried from the room, leaving me with Mr.

Problem Suddenly he looked at watch, jumped up, and hurried from the room, leaving me with Mr. Wolfshiem at the table.

Fix Suddenly he looked at **his** watch, jumped up, and hurried from the room, leaving me with Mr. Wolfshiem at the table.

typo

Find by until she saw him coming in the door.

Problem She **use** to sit on the sand with his head in her lap by the hour, rubbing her fingers over his eyes and looking at him with unfathomable delight.

Fix She **used** to sit on the sand with his head in her lap by the hour, rubbing her fingers over his eyes and looking at him with unfathomable delight.

typo

Find by Gatsby doesn't want her to know. You're just

Problem You're just **suppose** to invite her to tea.

Fix You're just **supposed** to invite her to tea.

typo

Find by was some pressing demand on his time elsewhere.

Problem "I **cant** wait all day."

Fix "I **can't** wait all day."

typo

Find by as if he hadn't seen me for years.

Problem I thought for a moment he **were** going to shake hands.

Fix I thought for a moment he **was** going to shake hands.

typo

Find by "He's dead now. He use to be my

Problem He **use** to be my best friend years ago.

Fix He **used** to be my best friend years ago.

missing word

Find by The rich get richer and the poor get—children.

Problem As I went over say goodbye I saw that the expression of bewilderment had come back into Gatsby's face, as though a faint doubt had occurred to him as to the quality of his present happiness.

Fix As I went over **to** say goodbye I saw that the expression of bewilderment had come back into Gatsby's face, as though a faint doubt had occurred to him as to the quality of his present happiness.

typo

Find by "I haven't got a horse," said Gatsby. "I

Problem "I **use** to ride in the army, but I've never bought a horse.

Fix "I **used** to ride in the army, but I've never bought a horse.

typo

Find by her request I remained watchfully in the garden.

Problem Tom appeared from his oblivion as we **was** sitting down to supper together.

Fix Tom appeared from his oblivion as we **were** sitting down to supper together.

missing word

Find by Her glance left me sought the lighted top

Problem Her glance left me sought the lighted top of the steps, where "Three O'Clock in the Morning," a neat, sad little waltz of that year, was drifting out the open door.

Fix Her glance left me **and** sought the lighted top of the steps, where "Three O'Clock in the Morning," a neat, sad little waltz of that year, was drifting out the open door.

typo

Find by way it was before," he said, nodding determinedly.

Problem He talked a lot about the past, and I gathered that he wanted to recover something, some idea of himself perhaps, that had **went** into loving Daisy.

Fix He talked a lot about the past, and I gathered that he wanted to recover something, some idea of himself perhaps, that had **gone** into loving Daisy.

missing word

Find by "She doesn't look like her father," explained Daisy.

Problem "She looks like me. She's got my hair and shape of the face."

Fix "She looks like me. She's got my hair and **the** shape of the face."

missing word

Find by "Have it your own way," she said. "Come

Problem They went upstairs get ready while we three men stood there shuffling the hot pebbles with our feet.

Fix They went upstairs **to** get ready while we three men stood there shuffling the hot pebbles with our feet.

missing word

Find by short, restless tattoo and Tom eyed him suddenly.

Problem "By way, Mr. Gatsby, I understand you're an Oxford man."

Fix "By **the** way, Mr. Gatsby, I understand you're an Oxford man."

missing word

Find by door made him automatically put on the brakes.

Problem I became aware now a hollow, wailing sound which issued incessantly from the garage, a sound which as we got out of the coupé and walked toward the door resolved itself into the words "Oh, my God!" uttered over and over in a gasping moan.

Fix I became aware now **of** a hollow, wailing sound which issued incessantly from the garage, a sound which as we got out of the coupé and walked toward the door resolved itself into the words "Oh, my God!" uttered over and over in a gasping moan.

typo

Find by pull yourself together,” he said with soothing gruffness.

Problem Wilson's eyes fell upon Tom; he started up on his tiptoes and then would **of** collapsed to his knees had not Tom held him upright.

Fix Wilson's eyes fell upon Tom; he started up on his tiptoes and then would **have** collapsed to his knees had not Tom held him upright.

typo

Find by on, “and left the car in my garage.

Problem I disliked him so much by this time that I didn't find it necessary to tell him he **were** wrong.

Fix I disliked him so much by this time that I didn't find it necessary to tell him he **was** wrong.

typo

Find by or the ale—and yet they weren't unhappy either.

Problem There was an unmistakable air of natural intimacy about the picture, and anybody would **of** said that they were conspiring together.

Fix There was an unmistakable air of natural intimacy about the picture, and anybody would **have** said that they were conspiring together.