Gatsby Chapter 5 Close Reading

**Directions:** Follow along with the guided annotation (<http://www.showme.com/sh/?h=7oqfc5w>), marking your passage below. Then answer the two questions at the end.

After the house, we were to see the grounds and the swimming-pool, and the hydroplane and the mid-summer flowers — but outside Gatsby’s window it began to rain again, so we stood in a row looking at the corrugated surface of the Sound.

“If it wasn’t for the mist we could see your home across the bay,” said Gatsby. “You always have a green light that burns all night at the end of your dock.”

Daisy put her arm through his abruptly, but he seemed absorbed in what he had just said. Possibly it had occurred to him that the colossal significance of that light had now vanished forever. Compared to the great distance that had separated him from Daisy it had seemed very near to her, almost touching her. It had seemed as close as a star to the moon. Now it was again a green light on a dock. His count of enchanted objects had diminished by one.

1. What is the significance of the green light, as mentioned in the video?

2. How has the green light changed in its significance?

3. Why did the green light change its significance?