*Far and Away* Film Guide Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. What was happening in Ireland at the time? Specifically with landlords and tenants.
2. Joseph’s dying father says that land \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Why does Joseph refuse to tell the men in the bar where he is from or what he has come to do?
4. What does Joseph claim is difficult to do?
5. What is Shannon’s mothers main concern when Joseph is shot?
6. Why was Shannon running away? What does Shannon want Joseph to do? How does he react? Why was Shannon excited about going to America?
7. What is unexpected about the acquiring of land?
8. Why did Shannon believe God was punishing her?
9. Who did the boy take Shannon and Joseph to see when McGuire was killed and her spoons were taken? Besides running a bar-what other businesses did the Ward Boss have?
10. Why does Shannon’s father hide the letters from her mother? Why did Mr. and Mrs. Christy go to America?
11. Where did Shannon and Joseph get a job?
12. When they had the dispute over Joseph fighting the Italian-what did the Ward Boss tell Joseph?
13. What happens when Shannon tells Joseph the Ward Boss is only using him to win money?
14. How is Joseph convinced to fight? Why does Joseph lose the fight? What happened to him and Shannon after he lost the fight?
15. They wandered around for three days without food. How did Joseph end up alone? What job did Joseph get next?
16. What does the man on the train say about America?
17. How did Joseph meet up with Shannon again?
18. What happens to Joseph after he tries to claim his land? What happens in the end?
19. Write down an example of the political corruption of the Gilded Age politics in America.

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Write down 3 examples from the film where the Irish immigrants are taken advantage of because of their ethnicity or status as immigrants.

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Write down three points in the film where women’s roles are defined by society in America (not in Ireland)

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1. Using an event from the movie as inspiration write a muckraking headline with three pieces of evidence to reinforce a muckraker’s call for change.
2. How does this film demonstrate the optimism of Westward Expansion?