

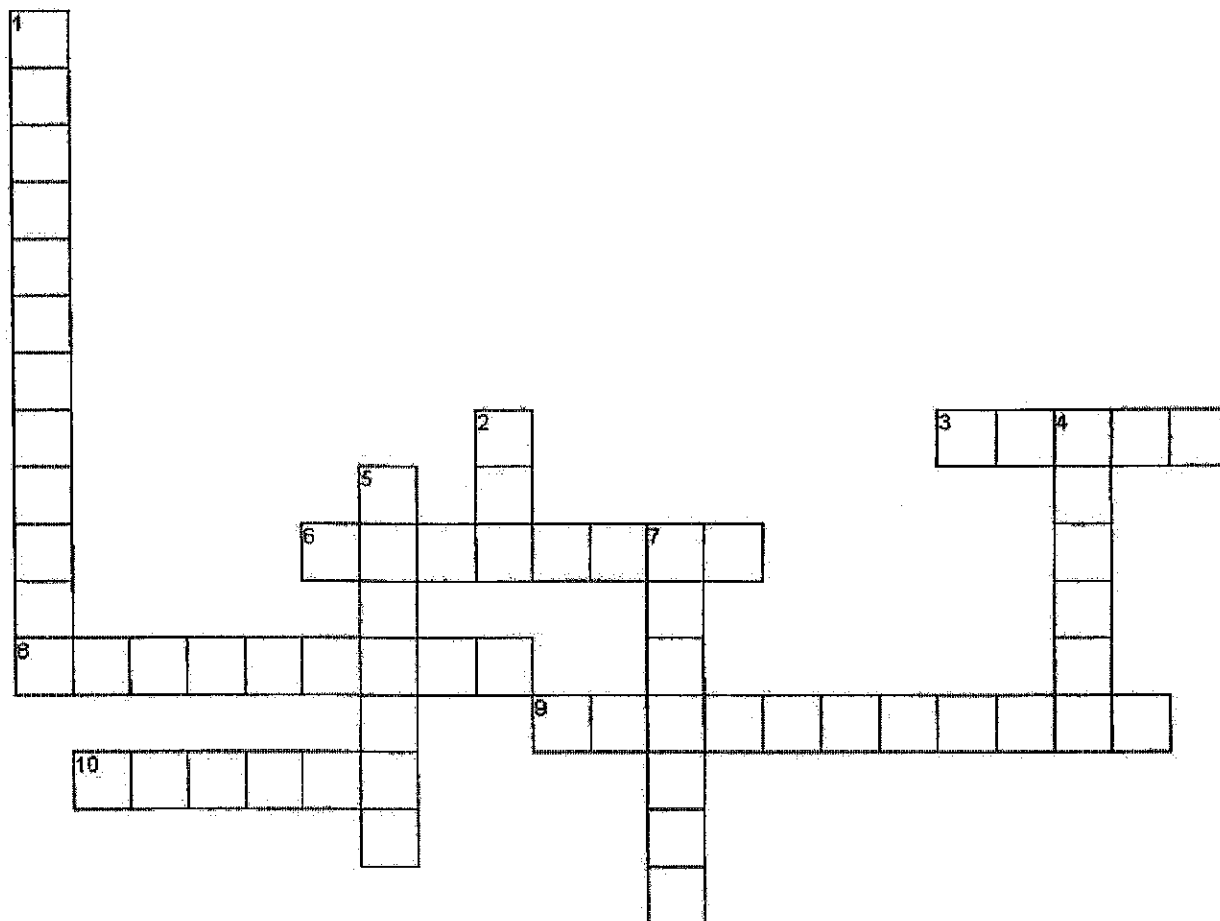
Chapters 7 and 8

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Outsiders Chapters 7 and 8



Across

- 3. strength, physical power
- 6. spoke hesitantly, stammered
- 8. occurring again and again
- 9. young people who commit a crime
- 10. draw attention in another direction

Down

- 1. unlawfully killing another without planning in a advance
- 2. black, unusually high polished
- 4. shocked, horrified, terrified
- 5. to send out rays, to beam or shine
- 7. daring act or heroic deed

10 of 10 words were placed into the puzzle.

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Outsiders Chapters 7 and 8 Vocabulary

1. Radiate

2. Delinquents

3. Manslaughter

4. Brawn

5. Recurring

6. Aghast

7. Exploit

8. Faltered

9. Jet

10. Divert

"Outsiders" Vocabulary
Chapters 7 and 8

1. radiate: to send out rays, to beam or shine
The microwave radiates waves to cook the food.

2. delinquents: young people who commit a crime
Johnny is a delinquent.

3. manslaughter: unlawfully killing another without planning in advance
The man was wanted for manslaughter.

4. brawn: strength, physical power
Football players are very brawn.

5. recurring: occurring again and occurring
John has a recurring nightmare about his death.

6. aghast: shocked, horrified, terrified
I was aghast at the sight of the automobile crash.

7. exploit: daring act or heroic deed
The boys committed an exploit when they saved the children from the fire.

8. faltered: spoke hesitantly, stammered
Joe faltered when he made his speech.

9. jet: black, usually high polished
The car was painted jet black.

10. divert: draw to another direction, turn from its course
The plane diverted from its usual path because of snow.



Vocabulary Building

Chapters 7-8

■ Supplying Definitions

Directions

In the sentences below, the vocabulary words have been underlined. A definition for each word can be found at the bottom of the page. Match each vocabulary word with the correct definition.

- _____ 1. Darry hated being called "all brawn and no brain" because education and intelligence were important to him.
- _____ 2. Ponyboy's repeated nightmare stopped recurring so often after Soda began sleeping beside him.
- _____ 3. Two-Bit's knack for storytelling changed an everyday experience into a wild exploit.
- _____ 4. Johnny was charged with manslaughter rather than murder since he killed the Soc only to save Pony.
- _____ 5. The newspapers reported that the greaser delinquents had turned into heroes by rescuing the kids from the fire.
- _____ 6. Soda was so handsome and charming, he seemed to radiate in a crowd.
- _____ 7. To divert suspicion, Two-Bit wandered about the store for hours before stealing the switchblade.
- _____ 8. Johnny started to speak, faltered, and then blurted out his feelings.
- _____ 9. The jet handle of Two-Bit's switchblade seemed to match Dally's black mood.
- _____ 10. Two-Bit was aghast at the very suggestion that he actually begin working for a living.

Definitions

- a. unlawfully killing another without intending to
- b. a deep, glossy black
- c. shine brightly
- d. struck with surprise or horror
- e. heroic act or daring deed
- f. stumbled in speech; hesitated
- g. draw away from
- h. muscles; strength
- i. young hoodlums
- j. happening again

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The Outsiders (Chapter 7-8)

Chapter Questions

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WITH COMPLETE SENTENCES.

Chapter 7

1. What was Soda's reaction to the newspaper reporters and police?
2. What are Dally's injuries?
3. What are Johnny's injuries?
4. How does Johnny get into the house that 1st night home?
5. Why does Darry never lock the house doors?
6. What does the newspaper say about the Greasers?
7. What are Johnny's charges?
8. What might happen to Ponyboy and Sodapop?
9. What happened the 1st night that Pony's nightmares started?
10. Who is Sandy? What is her condition? Where did she move?

11. Where does Pony meet the Socs?

12. What does Randy want?

13. What does Pony realize after talking to Randy?

Chapter 8

14. What does Johnny want at the hospital?

15. Why doesn't Johnny want to die?

16. Who tries to visit Johnny at the hospital? What happens?

17. What does Dally get from Two-Bit?

18. What does Cherry say is the rule for the rumble?

19. Why won't Cherry visit Johnny?

20. What does Pony tell Cherry to remember?

Short Answer – Characters

1. Who borrows Two-Bit's switchblade?
2. Who reads that the family may be split up?
3. Who reacts in shock when he hears about Pony's nightmare?
4. Who refuses to see his mother?
5. Who says he won't show up for the rumble?
6. Who entertains the reporters at the hospital?
7. Who promises not to tell that Ponyboy is ill?
8. Who shows Pony the news stories about them being heroes?
9. Who goes to Florida to live with her grandparents?
10. Who refuses to visit Johnny at the hospital?

Name _____

Outsiders' Chapters 7 and 8 Thought Questions
All answers should be at least 20 words.

1. If you were away from home for five days (like Pony was) what would be the first thing(s) you would want to do upon return?
2. How would your life be different if you were paralyzed like Johnny? What could you still do like you can now?
3. Darry never locks the door to the house. Is that a good idea? Do you lock the door to your house when you leave? How about your bedroom? Why do people not use locks?
4. Should Pony and Soda go to a group home? Darry couldn't control Pony, so what should happen to him now? Was it all just a misunderstanding?
5. Sandy runs away to her grandmother's in Florida because she is pregnant. What were her other options? What could have Soda done to help her? How does Soda feel about the situation?
6. Will the rumble help or hurt the rivalry between the Greasers and Socs? What will it accomplish? Who will win the rumble? Who wants to win it more?
7. Why does Pony tell Johnny that he will live when he knows that Johnny's injuries are too severe? How is he trying to help? Who is he trying to convince?
8. Should Johnny have seen his mother? What would she say to him? What would he say to her? Did he make the right decision?



Literary Skills

Chapters 7-8 *Suspense*

Name _____

■ S.E. Hinting

After completing chapter 6, the reader may be surprised to find that the novel is only halfway finished. It seems the loose ends could be tied up in another chapter or two.

However, Hinton is not through telling her story. So to sustain the reader's interest, she introduces several new elements of *suspense*.

Suspense arouses the reader's curiosity by asking a question which may be answered later on. But Hinton does more than just ask suspenseful questions. Like a good mystery writer, she teases the reader further by hinting at possible answers.



Directions

Following are some problems which are posed in chapters 7 and 8 to create suspense. Respond to the questions following each problem.

1. Will Johnny live?

a. What is one answer the author hints at? _____

b. What evidence points you toward this conclusion? _____

c. What answer would you like to see? Why? _____

2. Will the Curtis boys be split up?

a. What is one answer the author hints at? _____

b. What evidence points you toward this conclusion? _____

c. What answer would you like to see? Why? _____

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Literary Skills: Suspense

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3. Will Ponyboy participate in the rumble?

a. What is one answer the author hints at? _____

b. What evidence points you toward this conclusion? _____

c. What answer would you like to see? Why? _____

4. Why does Dally borrow Two-Bit's switchblade?

a. What is one answer the author hints at? _____

b. What evidence points you toward this conclusion? _____

c. What answer would you like to see? Why? _____

5. What does Pony's premonition about the rumble mean?

a. What is one answer the author hints at? _____

b. What evidence points you toward this conclusion? _____

c. What answer would you like to see? Why? _____

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Literary Skills

Chapters 7-8 *Dynamic Characters*

■ Pony Expressed

A character who undergoes some important change in a story is called a *dynamic character*.

In chapters 7 and 8, Ponyboy shows that he is a dynamic character. His attitudes toward Darry, the Socs, Johnny, and even Dally begin to change. Understanding the causes and nature of those changes will help a reader understand Pony's character.

Directions

Each of the following boxes represents one of Ponyboy's changed attitudes. On the blank labeled "Initial Attitude" briefly describe Pony's attitude *before* he changed (you may need to refer to previous chapters). Identify the cause of this change on the blank labeled "Force of Change." Then briefly describe Pony's new attitude on the blank labeled "Attitude Change."

1. Ponyboy's opinion of Darry

- a. Initial Attitude _____

- b. Force of Change _____

- c. Attitude Change _____

2. Ponyboy's view of the Socs

- a. Initial Attitude _____

- b. Force of Change _____

- c. Attitude Change _____

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Literary Skills: Dynamic Characters

Pony Exposed

Chapters 7-8

3. Ponyboy's opinion of Dally

a. Initial Attitude _____

b. Force of Change _____

c. Attitude Change _____

4. Ponyboy's view of Johnny

a. Initial Attitude _____

b. Force of Change _____

c. Attitude Change _____

5. Which change do you think shows the greatest maturity in

Ponyboy? Explain your answer. _____

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