

The Outsiders: Chapter 8

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1. How does what the doctor first says, on page 119, foreshadow Johnny's condition?
2. "We needed Johnny as much as he needed the gang. And for the same reason" (p.121). What do you think Pony means, and what is the reason?
3. What does Pony mean on p. 123 when he says, "we could get along without anyone but Johnny"?
4. If Darry didn't have Soda and Pony, why would he be a soc?
5. What does Cherry mean when she says Bob "wasn't just anyone" on p.129?
6. What did Cherry love about Bob?
7. What internal conflicts could Johnny be having when he tells the nurse he doesn't want to see his mother?
8. How does Dally react to Johnny's illness?

9. What was so strange about Dally's request of Two-Bit?
  
10. Find a simile on page 88 which describes how sick Johnny looks.
  
11. Why do you think that Ponyboy mentions seeing the sunset again to Cherry?
  
12. Ponyboy and Cherry have an argument, but when they say goodbye they are on good terms. What causes this change of mood?
  
13. What is causing Ponyboy to be conflicted about the rumble?

Extended Response Question: (From chapters 1-8)

The fact that Pony is actually the youngest member of the gang affects how others treat him. Compare and contrast how different characters (at least 3) view Pony. Cite specific textual evidence to support your reasoning's.