The Outsiders Novel Test Study Guide

Know the definitions of the following terms and be able to identify examples from the book.

* simile
* metaphor
* hyperbole
* personification
* onomatopoeia
* alliteration

Know the following characters:

* Sodapop
* Steve
* Ponyboy
* Cherry
* Bob
* Two-Bit
* Dally
* Randy
* Darry
* Johnny
* Marcia

Be able to answer the following questions.

1. What is Two-Bit’s prized possession?
2. What are some symbols of the Socs? What are some symbols of the greasers?
3. What does Ponyboy feel is the only good reason for fighting?
4. Why don’t Darry and Pony get along?
5. When is the only time Pony sees Darry cry?
6. How does Johnny feel about killing a Soc?
7. Who helps Johnny and Pony when they are in trouble?
8. What do Johnny and Pony do to pass the time while they are at the abandoned church?
9. Why does Dallas hit Pony across the back when Pony comes out of the church?
10. Who is the spy for the rumble?
11. What is Johnny’s last message to Pony?
12. How does Pony cope with Johnny’s death?
13. What does Ponyboy say is the difference from their gang and a pack of wolves?
14. What is the brothers’ favorite breakfast?
15. Why does Randy tell Pony that fighting between the greasers and Socs will not do any good?
16. Why was Bob unhappy and wild?
17. Why was Soda moody and depressed?
18. What does Johnny want Ponyboy to tell Dallas?
19. How does Dally try to “bluff” the police?
20. Even though they don’t have much, what does Ponyboy say that the greasers have?