**Chapter Three**

**The Outsiders**

1. What does Cherry tell Ponyboy about the Socs?

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2. Relate the story of Mickey Mouse and Soda. Why do you think it was included in the novel?

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3. Explain the reference to the watching the sunset.

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4.Why is it an important part of the buildup of the relationship between Cherry Valance and Ponyboy?

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5. When the blue Mustang rolls up, what are its occupants hoping to do?

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6. What do the Greasers think the occupants in the Mustang want?

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7. Give your opinion of Cherry saying, ―…if I see you in the hall at school or someplace and don‘t say hi, well, it‘s not personal…‖ Explain the reasons for your point of view.

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8. What do Pony and Johnny do instead of going home after the movies, and what is the result?

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9. Why doesn‘t Darry call the police when Ponyboy doesn‘t arrive home until 2:00 a.m.?

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10. Why do Ponyboy and Johnny run away?

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11. Why does Johnny say he likes it better when his father is hitting him?

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12. Paraphrase why Darry seems like such an angry person.

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