

The Outsiders
Chapters 5 & 6 Discussion Questions

1. Think of as many reasons as you can why Ponyboy and Johnny are such close friends.

2. Loyalty is an important theme in the “The Outsiders,” but at the end of chapter 5 we learn that Cherry is spying for the Greasers. Why do you think Cherry is spying for them? Does Cherry’s spying change your opinion of her at all?

3. Why does Johnny want to turn himself into the police?

4. How have the events of chapters 4 to 6 shaped your opinion of Dally?
Do you have a different opinion of him than you did before reading these chapters? The same opinion? Why?