

“The Outsiders” R.A.F.T. Writing Project



R.A.F.T. stands for...

Role of the Writer: who are you as the writer?

- Ponyboy? Johnny? Cherry? etc.

R.A.F.T. stands for...

Audience: to whom are you writing?

- the citizens of Tulsa, Oklahoma? The socs? Darry? etc.

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Format: In what format are you writing?

- a diary? a newspaper? a love letter?

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Topic: What are you writing about?

Examples: Feel free to
use one of these or come
up with your own!

Examples

1. Cherry writing a letter to Dallas that he will never get to read after she hears about his death. She tells Dally what she saw in him and why she was afraid that she would fall in love with him.

2. Ponyboy writes a letter to Johnny's parents after Johnny dies. He writes about how Johnny's home life affected him and what his friends meant to him.

3. It is more than 6 months after “The Outsiders” and Sodapop is on good terms again with Sandy. He writes to Sandy describing how things have changed for him and his brothers since the events of the novel.

Criteria

- Your R.A.F.T. writing assignment must be 300 words long. I will deduct marks for assignments that are less than 270 words and more than 330 words.

- You must include at the top of your paper something that clearly lays out what your R.A.F.T. project is about. In other words, tell me clearly what the role, audience, format, and topic are.

- You must get approval for your R.A.F.T. project from me by Friday 30 January at lunch. Run it by me before you begin writing!

- Assignment must be typed and you must save an electronic copy to be available to me upon request!
- Due at the beginning of class on Tuesday 10 February.