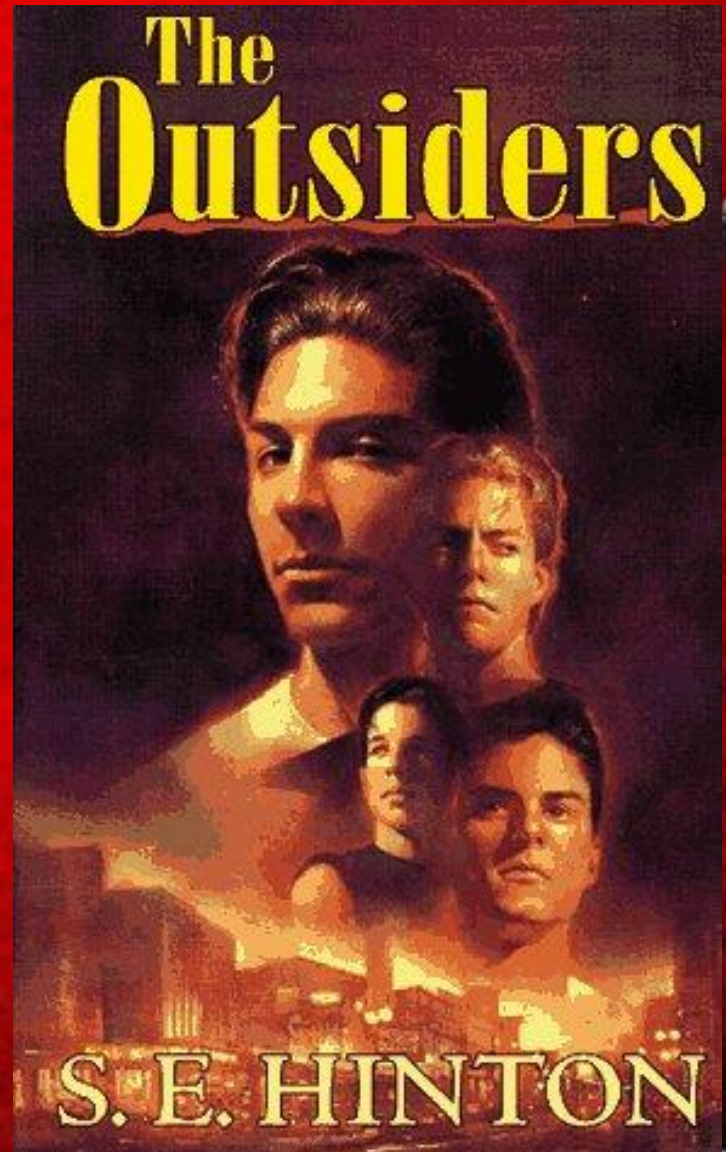


# The Outsiders

1. The Author
2. 1960's culture
3. Major themes
4. Slang in the novel



# 1. The Author

- S.E. Hinton (Susan Eloise) was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1950







- “The Outsiders” was Hinton’s first novel
- She began writing the novel when she was only 15 years old and it was published when she was just 17 years old!

# S.E. Hinton on writing

“The major influence on my writing has been my reading. I read everything, including cereal boxes and coffee labels. Reading taught me sentence structure, paragraphing, and how to build a chapter.”





# S.E. Hinton on “The Outsiders”

- Hinton took her inspiration for the novel from a real-life event that happened to a friend of hers in high school.



“This made me mad and I just went home and started pounding out a story about this boy who was beaten up while he was walking home from the movies.”





“Ponyboy’s gang was inspired by a true-life gang, the members of which were very dear to me. Later, all the gang members I hung out with were sure they were in the book — but they aren’t.”





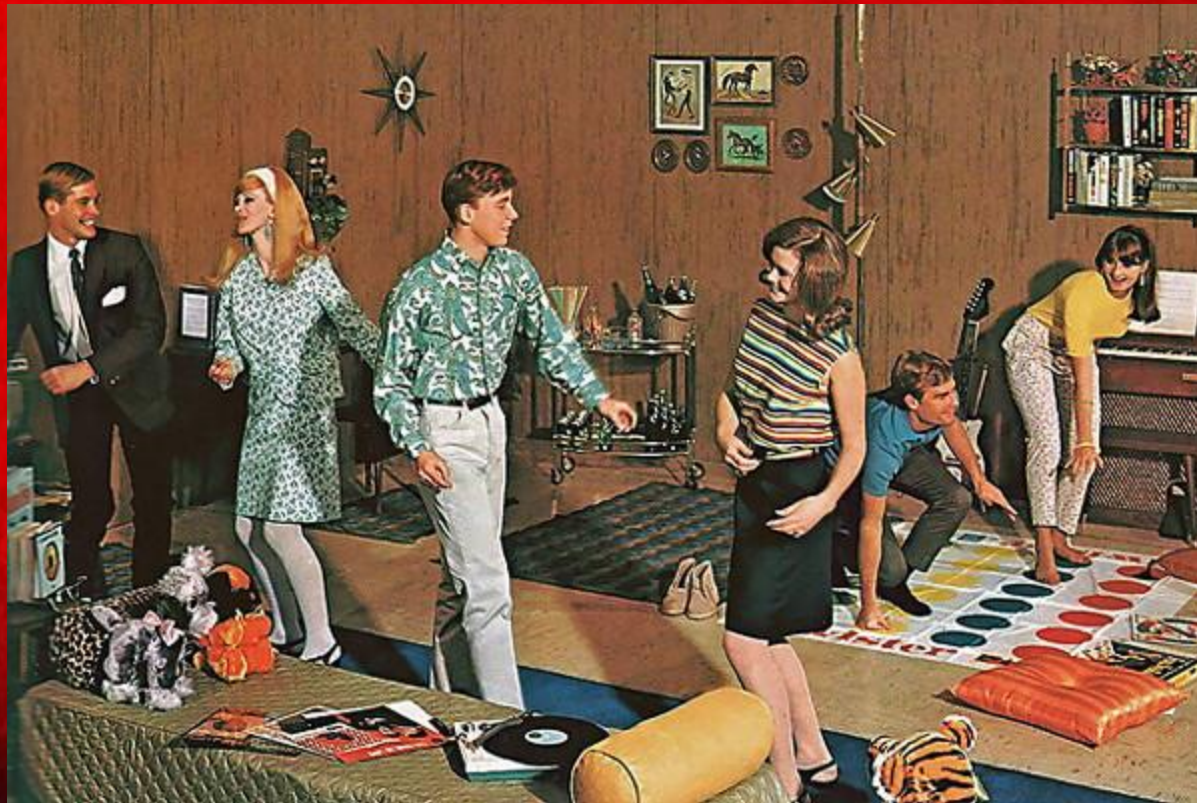
## 2. 1960's Culture

- The 1960's, and especially the late 1960's, was a time of huge social change and upheaval in North American culture





- The 1960's saw the beginning of teen culture
- “The Outsiders” is considered the first realistic young adult novel





# “Youthquake” & Hippies

- Sex, drugs, rock n’ roll, political protests, long hair, psychedelia, opposing “the man”





# Your parents? Grand-parents?





# The Vietnam War



A “teen” war?



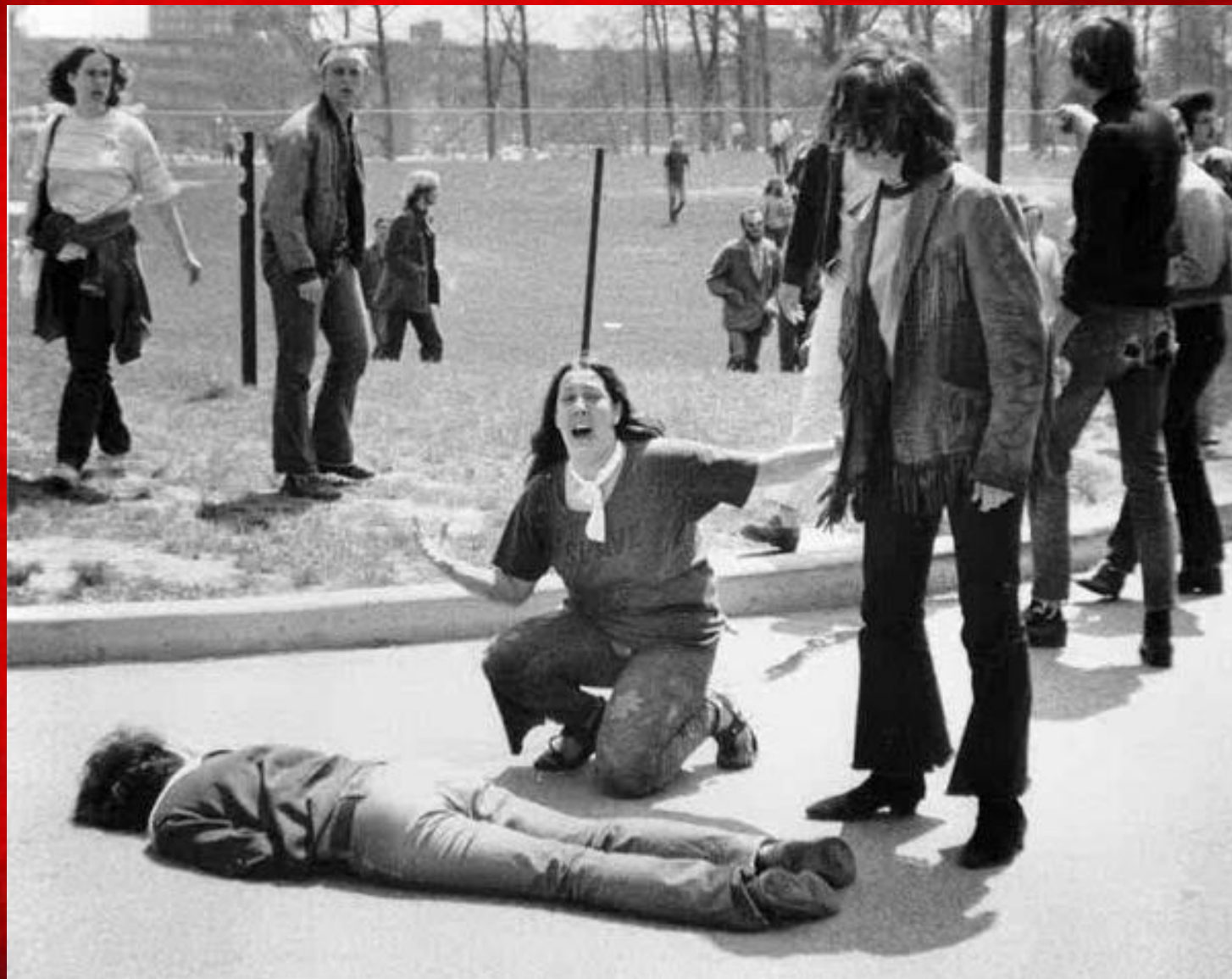
# Vietnam War Protests





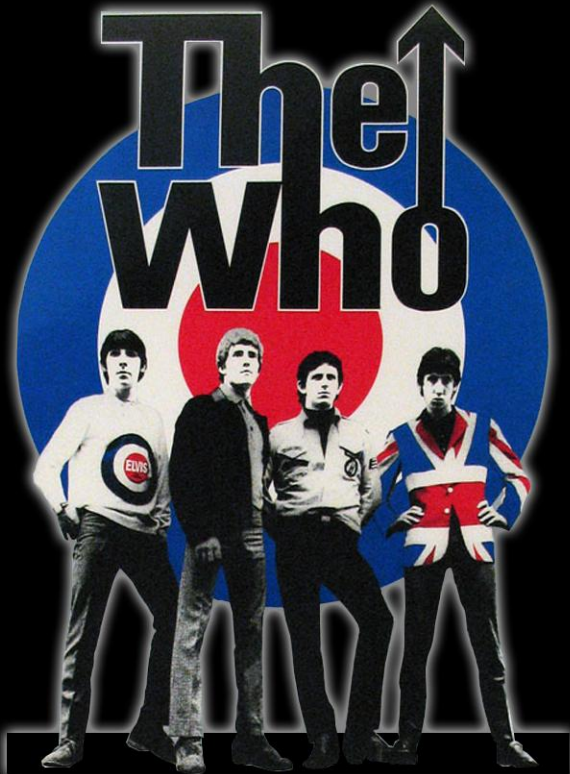








# 1960's Music







# THE BEATLES







THE ROLLING STONES LONDON 1965





# 1960s Cars



Shelby Mustang





# 1967 Mustang





1967 Chevy Corvair





1969 Corvette Stingray



# 1960's Fashion



## Hippie Guys





Hippie Girl





“Soc” girls



# The Madras Shirt



“Soc” boy





# “Greaser” fashion

