**Group Members:**

**The Outsiders Chapter 5**

**Please answer the questions below. You may need to use a separate sheet of paper.**

What were the important events in this chapter? You may use bullet points.

**Discussion Questions**

1. Why is it ironic (strange or unexpected) that Johnny and Ponyboy are involved in a murder?

2. Why is it ironic that Johnny compares Dally to a southern gentleman? How does Johnny explain this comparison?

3. Why does Johnny's remark about the sunrise remind Ponyboy of Robert Frost's poem?

4. Revisit Robert Frost’s poem “Nothing Gold Can Stay” and complete the following:

a. Read the poem three times as a group: Once to warm up, once to comprehend and once to understand important words

b. Extract words you don’t know as a group and define each

c. As a group analyze the poem by answering the questions below:

d. Is Robert Frost just talking about nature?

e. Is he using nature to talk about something that is applicable to our lives?

f. Discuss what changes in life both in nature and in your lives and jot down these notes.

g. What is change? Brainstorm a list of other things that change.

**The Outsiders Chapter 6**

What were the important events in this chapter?

**Discussion Questions**

1. Why is Cherry willing to help the greasers?

2. What are Johnny's reasons for wanting to turn himself in?

3. Johnny and Ponyboy feel personally responsible for the safety of the children in the church. Why is this consistent with their character (who they are as people)?

4. Why was saving the children the only time in Johnny's life that he didn't have a defeated and mistrustful look?

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2. Introduce one another by stating your name and ONE thing you did with your cold days Monday/Tuesday.
3. Decide on the following positions:
   1. Recorder: You will be turning your sheet in as credit for the group
   2. Facilitator: You will make sure the group stays on task
   3. Time Manager: You will ensure the group stays on track to complete BOTH sides of the handout BEFORE the end of class
   4. Reporter: You will be in charge of reporting the discussions of your group in class tomorrow
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1. Then, as a group, write a brief summary of chapters 6 & 7 and then create AND answer a minimum of FOUR short answer questions