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Chapter 6

1. Why do you think Cherry chose to associate with—and later help—Johnny and Ponyboy? Is she a spy?
2. Why do you think Johnny decided they should turn themselves in?
3. What did Ponyboy learn about Darry?

Chapter 7

1. How were the boys injured? Why could they be considered heroes?
2. What additional problem did the brothers face after Ponyboy's return?
3. What did Randy say kids want from parents? Do you agree or would you add some other points?

Chapter 8

1. Why did Ponyboy and Two-Bit think they couldn't get along without Johnny?
2. How did Johnny feel about dying?
3. What did Johnny want the boys to get for him in the hospital? Why were these things important?
4. How close to the truth was Johnny when he said he didn't want to see his mother?

Chapter 9

1. What were the reasons that the various boys gave for fighting?
2. Why did Dally take Ponyboy to see Johnny after the rumble?
3. What did Johnny mean when he told Ponyboy to "stay gold"?

Chapter 10

1. Do you think the rumble was worth the trouble?
2. Why did Dally want to die?
3. How do you think the other Greasers will end up?

Chapter 11

1. Why do you think Ponyboy was ill?
2. Why did Randy come to visit Ponyboy when he was ill? Why did Ponyboy not care that Randy was seeing his house in a messy condition?
3. Why do you think Ponyboy said he'd killed Bob and that Johnny wasn't dead? (pages 165-166)

Chapter 12

1. Why was the court hearing important? What were possible decisions of the court?
2. Why do you think Ponyboy's life was still troubled after the court hearing?
3. What message did Johnny leave in the book?