

The Outsiders Quiz
Chapters 5-6

Multiple Choice

1. What supplies does Johnny retrieve?
 - a. Water, trail mix, cigarettes
 - b. Bologna, water
 - c. Cigarettes, bologna
 - d. Cheese, water, cigarettes
2. Why does Johnny want to return home?
 - a. He misses his parents.
 - b. Ponyboy's family cares about Ponyboy.
 - c. He wants to fight the Socs.
 - d. Ponyboy thinks he should turn himself in for murder.
3. What role does Cherry Valance take on in this chapter?
 - a. Johnny's girlfriend
 - b. Ponyboy's girlfriend
 - c. A spy for the Socials
 - d. A spy for the Greasers
4. Select the appropriate sequence of events for these chapters:
 - a. Johnny and Pony read *Gone with the Wind*; Johnny leaves Ponyboy a message; Ponyboy talks about *Nothing Gold Can Stay*.
 - b. Johnny and Pony read *Gone with the Wind*; Ponyboy talks about *Nothing Gold Can Stay*; Johnny leaves Ponyboy a message.
 - c. Johnny leaves Ponyboy a message; Johnny and Pony read *Gone with the Wind*; Ponyboy talks about *Nothing Gold Can Stay*.
 - d. Johnny leaves Ponyboy a message; Ponyboy talks about *Nothing Gold Can Stay*; Johnny and Pony read *Gone with the Wind*.

Short Answer (2-3 sentences)

5. Explain the following quotation: "Dally was so real he scared me." Who said this? What did he/she mean? Why did he/she say it?
6. What is the significance of the boys reading *Gone with the Wind*? Johnny and Ponyboy disagree about something having to do with this book. What is it, and why do they disagree?
7. Analyze the poem "Nothing Gold Can Stay" by Robert Frost. Why would Hinton include this in the story?

*Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.*

*Then leaf subsides to leaf.
So Eden sank to grief,
So dawn goes down to day.
Nothing gold can stay.*

8. In the story, every time something important is happening, Hinton sends her main character into some form of literary darkness—meaning Ponyboy is never aware of certain serious occurrences (Bob's murder, Johnny's injury, etc.). Why would Hinton do this?