



## **1960's Webquest: Into the World of The Outsiders**

**You are about to travel back in time to world very different from what you live in today. It was a simpler time, before video games, cell phones, or even computers. Although the 1960's were very different from what you are used to growing up with, you will probably be surprised at how well you can relate to, understand, and even learn from the characters in S.E. Hinton's novel *The Outsiders*. You will explore everything from 60's music and fashion to government, cars and even gang life.**

### **What was it like living in the 1960's?**

**Your task is to gain knowledge of the early 1960's culture in order to better understand and connect with the characters in *The Outsiders*. Using the websites provided, you will be asked to explore all aspects of the 60's. You will be doing some investigative work finding specific facts and details about important people, events, and activities of the decade.**

### **PART 1**

1. Open a Word document and type your name at the top.
2. Save your document as 1960s Webquest.
3. Use the following link to find a picture of a madras shirt. Paste the picture in your word document.  
<http://www.styleforum.net/showthread.php?t=157242>
4. Search the following site for pictures of 1960's fashion. Paste your favorite picture in your word document.  
<http://www.fiftiesweb.com/fashion/1960s-fashion-pants.htm>

5. Use the following links to find pictures of a Corvair and a Mustang. Paste and label each picture.

<http://oldcarandtruckpictures.com/Corvair/>

<http://www.mustangdreams.com/mdconvert.htm>

## **PART 2**

Use the website links below to complete the following tasks:

1. List 5 bands that were popular during the 1960's.

<http://www.popculturemadness.com/Music/Pop-Modern/1960.html>

2. List 5 popular T.V. shows from the 1960's.

<http://www.tvparty.com/fall1.html>

3. Find the prices of 6 commonly used items in the 1960's. How do they compare to today's prices?

<http://www.thepeoplehistory.com/1960s.html>

4. List five popular toys from the 1960's. Are any of them still around today?

[http://www.his-forever.com/50s\\_toys.htm](http://www.his-forever.com/50s_toys.htm)

5. Read about Greasers and write a brief summary (3-5 sentences) about them.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greaser\\_\(subculture\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greaser_(subculture))

6. What are some reasons why a teenager might join a gang in the 60's?

[http://www.lapdonline.org/top\\_ten\\_most\\_wanted\\_gang\\_members/content\\_basic\\_view/23473](http://www.lapdonline.org/top_ten_most_wanted_gang_members/content_basic_view/23473)

7. List 5 slang words with their definitions.

<http://cougartown.com/slang.html>



**Now that you have immersed yourself in the 1960's culture, you are ready to dive into the world of The Outsiders!**