

The Outsiders: Chapter 4 Questions

1. Use context clues to determine the meaning of the following words:
 - Unceasingly (56)
 - Apprehensive (59)
2. What **motivated** Johnny to kill Bob, rather than David? Was it **self-defense**, and if so, why did both Ponyboy and Johnny **run away**? Use evidence from the text to support your answer (you may use any previous chapter).
3. Draw a conclusion, **using evidence from the text**, about why the Socs respond to Ponyboy and Johnny with so much **aggression**.
4. Was it **morally** wrong for Johnny to kill the Soc? Why or why not? **Use evidence from the text** to prove your answer.
5. Re-read the parts on **pg. 61** about the shirt that Dally gives to Ponyboy. Consider the situation that Ponyboy is in, and **use the text** to explain what the shirt **symbolizes**.
6. Based on what we know about the society in The Outsiders, how do you think the community would judge Ponyboy and Johnny for what happened? How would they likely judge the Socs? Do you think things have changed in society over the years, or would we judge the boys in the same way today? Why do you think this?
 - For example, Ponyboy explains that “-----” (Hinton 18); therefore, he is...
 - For instance, when Darry says to Ponyboy that “----” (Hinton 2) it is clear that...
 - To illustrate, when Johnny states that “----” (Hinton 3), he is evidently feeling...