

The Outsiders Character Study

The novel *The Outsiders* has many important and diverse characters. In many ways, the whole novel revolves around the relationships that have formed between Ponyboy and the rest of the Greasers. It is your job, as a group, to analyze and discuss these relationships between the characters. Follow the steps below in order to properly complete the character study with your group.

1. **Introduction Task (Group)** - You should be in a group of four people. You are each going to assume the role of one of the members of the Greasers (excluding Ponyboy). You may decide amongst yourselves which Greaser you will be, but there can only be one of each character in each group. Once you have selected which character you will be, there are two INDIVIDUAL assignments that you must complete on your own and one GROUP assignment that you will complete with your entire group.
2. **Activity One: Character Analysis** - You must write a character analysis of the character that you have chosen. It should be at least one page long and must describe everything about the character and include textual evidence that supports your analysis of the character. These questions will help you get started, but you can discuss anything you want to about the character? This should be written in 3rd PERSON. (50 points)
 - Describe their appearance and personality.
 - What role do they play in the Greasers?
 - Why do you think they fit in with the rest of the group?
 - What do you think is the most important thing in the world to them? Why do you think that?
 - What is their role in the plot of the story? How do they affect the story line?
 - In what ways do you think this character is similar to you? Different from you?

RUBRIC:

15 pts	Correct and indepth analysis of characters role in the book.
10 pts	Correct and detailed description of characters
15 pts	Textual evidence is used to support analysis, including page number evidence is located.
10 pts	Excellent use of organization, sentence structure, spelling, and grammar.

2. **Activity Two: Farcebook** - You must become your character and create a Farcebook (Facebook) page for your character. You must include a variety of important, accurate information about your character on the page. This information must include textual evidence from the text. Include color and creativity. This should be written in 1st PERSON as your character. Make sure you stay in character! (50 points)

20 pts	Variety of accurate information regarding character.
20 pts	Uses textual evidence (pg numbers) to support information.
10 pts	Creativity

4. **Final Group Activity: Farcebook Comment** - Add at least three comments on your Farcebook page that reflects events in the story. As a group, other “characters” from the story should comment and interact with your Farcebook posts and comments (feel free to comment back). These Farcebook posts should be unique, detailed, and aligned with events and characters in the book. (25 points)