Chapter Seven

1. What condition is Johnny in after the fire?

2. Why would being crippled be worse for Johnny than someone else?

3. “Maybe people are younger when they are asleep” [p.104]. What do you think about this comment?

4. What is a juvenile delinquent [p.107]? Find a definition on the internet, in a dictionary, or create your own based on your own knowledge.

5. Why would Two-Bit think Johnny, Dally, and Pony were heroes all along; before they saved the kids?

6. What was Bob’s real‟ problem, according to Randy [p.116?]

7. Why did Pony think it was better to see Socs as “just guys” on p.118? What do you think he means by this?

8. What happened with Sandy?

9. Why does Randy talk with Pony?

Chapter Eight

1. How does what the doctor first says, on page 119, foreshadow Johnny’s condition?

2. “We needed Johnny as much as he needed the gang. And for the same reason”

(p.121). What do you think Pony means, and what is the reason?. What does Pony mean on p.123 when he says, “we could get along without anyone but Johnny”?

4. If Darry didn’t have Soda and Pony, why would he be a Soc?

5. What does Cherry mean when she says Bob” wasn’t just anyone” on p.129?