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What is the overall meaning of Robert Frost's poem "Nothing Gold Can Stay," which Ponyboy recites in chapter 5? How does it connect to one or more of the themes explored in the novel so far? The author believed the poem was important enough to the story to include its full text. Do you agree, or does this seem like a strange choice? Use details from the text to support your answer in a well-developed, multi-paragraph response.

A cartoon superhero with brown hair, wearing a blue suit with a red cape and a shield emblem on the chest. He is flying through a blue sky with white clouds, leaving a white trail behind him. The shield emblem on his chest has the letters 'MJS' on it.

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Robert Frost

Nature's first green is gold,



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So dawn goes down to day.

Nothing gold can stay.