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Chapters 7–8



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- a. untrustworthy b. tale
- c. thoughtful d. message

2. What does the use of the word **genuine** suggest about Darry?

"Darry spun around to face me, genuine fear on his face. 'What?'"

a. The fear he was feeling was authentic.

b. The fear on his face was likely faked for Pony's sake.



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phone numbers and locations where they were purchased.

c. They could write a memoir that details all the most memorable events, adventures, and actions they took during their life.

d. They could keep a journal next to their bed so that they can accurately record dreams the moment they wake up.

4. Which description best matches the meaning of the word **reluctantly**?

- a. a dog who can smell a box of treats on the counter and is eagerly waiting to be given one
- b. a person who is incredibly nervous about crossing a rope bridge but ultimately must do so anyway
- c. an ill-tempered alligator that keeps snapping at anyone who comes anywhere near it
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"Darry and Sodapop were in the pictures too; Jerry Wood told me that if Sodapop and Darry hadn't been so good-looking, they wouldn't have taken so many. That was public appeal, he said."

- a. Jerry thinks the reporters are resentful because the boys' attractiveness encouraged them to waste time taking pictures.
- b. The reporters plan to use the boy's attractiveness to garner sympathy, which will help them raise money for Johnny's recovery.
- c. The reporters plan to use the boys' attractiveness to support their article.



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asked for it. I know he did. But I couldn't ever look at the person who killed him."

- a. She hasn't figured out how she feels about Bob's death yet.
 - b. She feels hopeless despair and deeply wants Pony to understand.
 - c. She is extremely angry at Johnny but doing her best to control it.
 - d. She feels guilty that part of her is happy Bob was killed.
8. Which sentence does not use the word **critical** correctly?
- a. The patient is in critical condition and requires around-the-clock care.
 - b. "This critical moment could decide the outcome of the game," said the announcer.
 - c. The family booked a critical flight because it's cheaper to fly late at night.
 - d. The organization is in critical need of donations and may shut down if it doesn't receive them.

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- a. It acknowledges that the killer did not act with malice.
 - b. It carries a harsher sentence than murder.
 - c. It is another term for first-degree murder.
 - d. It suggests that the killer was forced to act against the victim.
10. Why did the newspaper most likely use the word **delinquents** in their headline, "JUVENILE DELINQUENTS TURN HEROES"?
- a. to make the boys seem more respectable by implying they were well-behaved members of the community before the fire
 - b. to emphasize the boys' intelligence by suggesting they had planned the rescue
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- a. A father shows their planned route to the beach so that they can visit some friends.
 - b. A girl has a free afternoon and decides to go shopping and get coffee.
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- c. The reporter wants to use the boys' attractiveness to supply pictures.



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making heroic actions more surprising by contrast

11. Which scenario best illustrates the meaning of the word **divert**?

a. A family altered their planned route to the beach so they could visit some friends.

b. A girl has a free afternoon and goes to the mall and get coffee.

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