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Chapter 9

“(What kind of world is it where all I have to be proud of is a reputation for being a hood, and greasy hair? I don’t want to be a hood, but even if I don’t steal things and mug people and get boozed up, I’m marked lousy. Why should I be proud of it? Why should I even pretend to be proud of it?)”

Explain what Ponyboy is feeling and why he feels this way. Then analyze how this passage develops a theme about identity, stereotypes, or social class. How does formatting this reflection as a parenthetical help contribute to that message or to Pony's character? Use text evidence in your response.



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