Choose a project option that demonstrates your understanding of *The Outsiders*. Your grade will be based on creativity, effort, thoroughness of topic, and completion of given instructions. All written portions should be in MLA format when applicable. – Worth 75 Test/Project points.

1. **Final chapter/Epilogue** – An epilogue is a short chapter at the end of a novel. It tells what happened to the characters after the story ended. Think about the characters in the novel. How would the events within the novel affect their lives? Write the final chapter, the epilogue, that tells where the characters are 5-10 years later (no more than 5 typed pages, please). Must complete the “Any Questions?” page prior to writing your epilogue.

2. **Scrapbook** - Create a *chronological* scrapbook that Ponyboy would have created that focuses on the events surrounding the novel and offers predictions of where characters will be 5-10 years from now. A scrapbook is a book that is a collection of pictures and mementos that serves as a memory bank for a particular person. It tells/shows things this person did and things that were important to him or her. Your scrapbook should consist of at least 8 pages, excluding the cover. The mementos you choose to include in the scrapbook should be varied in nature, not all pictures, nor all pictures pulled from the movie. Include a caption/explanation of each item, explaining its significance.

   ➢ In addition to pictures and/or mementoes, include four of the following, at least one from each category:

   - **Poetry/Eulogy** – Create an original poem that highlights characters, events, or big ideas within the novel. Feel free to write any type of lyric or narrative poem. Poems may either be written in free verse or rhyme. “Nothing Gold Can Stay” does not count as an original poem, but rather as a memento.
     - A eulogy or poem for Johnny. A eulogy is a speech that expresses sorrow over the death of another person. It makes remarks on the good done by that person while alive. This would have been read at his funeral.
     - A eulogy or poem for Dally
     - A eulogy for Bob.
   - **Letter/Police Report** – Pony is faced with difficult situations throughout the novel. Write a letter to Ponyboy in which you acknowledge the situation he is facing and offer advice on how he should deal with it.
     - A thank-you note written to Johnny or Pony by the parents of one of the children he saved.
     - A letter from Randy to Pony
     - A criminal profile written by a detective after he or she realizes that Dally the juvenile delinquent is also Dally the hero
     - A written report for the courts about Ponyboy and his brothers, *written by the doctor who cared for Ponyboy*
     - Include Jonny's narrative of “What Really Happened” this is a memento and NOT a letter/police report. *print it from your computer or photo copy it.
     - Johnny’s letter given to Pony from the nurse does not count as original, but as a memento.
   - **Newspaper clipping/s** – Create a clippings from the newspaper that highlights an event that would be important enough for Pony to keep.
3. **Novel Soundtrack** - This is your big break – you have landed a dream internship working within the film/music industry. Working in conjunction with both industries, you have been tasked with creating a new, modern soundtrack for a newly revised film, *The Outsiders*. Just as the updated film will be modern and fresh, the music must reflect this decade and audience. You will create a version of the perfect soundtrack to present to both the film producer and record label company. This will be created using PowerPoint or Google Slides. There will be 13 slides: 12 slides-one for each chapter plus one title slide. The slides will consist of the following:

- Chapter number/provide an intriguing, concise chapter title.
- Title of Song and Artist/ [Web address linked to the song](#)
- In a minimum of two or three paragraphs:
  - Discuss at least 2 parallels to the chapter found within the lyrics.
  - Discuss at least 2 the big ideas that both the chapter and the song share?
  - How is the mood or tone of the song a reflection of the plot or characters in this scene/chapter?
  - Why is the song the best representation for this chapter? is this necessary?
- Provide background picture(s) that do not distract from your discussion.
- Submissions: flash drive/thumb drive.

4. **Movie Trailer** – Create a new and improved movie trailer for *The Outsiders*. Trailers are intended to entice the audience; it is not a summary. Include appropriate music that highlights characters, main events, and themes without giving away the ending. It should be no longer than 3 minutes in length and at least a 1:30. An iMovie template will not earn you an ‘A’ grade. *You may work in groups to film; however, each person must submit their own individually created and edited movie trailer.* Submissions: flash drive/thumb drive.


1) **Title**: Give this open mind diagram a 6-word title. Let the audience know it is a general look at one week of Pony’s life, the characters important to him, and the book’s overall theme/message(s).

2) **Fill the Open Mind** with images that symbolize/capture the book and what you have read. You are illustrating the book; therefore, bring it to life. Fill the mind to capacity. What needs to be shared?

3) **Top 10 Six-Word Memoirs**: Use your analysis of the book to compose 10 memoirs that capture the Pony’s frame of mind. Creatively place these in the frame. The images are drawn to represent the memoir.

4) **Top 10 images/symbols**: Select ten images you drew within your open mind. On a separate sheet of unlined paper, explain what each image represents as well as its significance and relation to the novel, yourself, and the world. Use the following format: Image #. Name of the image: location of image with a thorough explanation.

Glue your Top Ten images on a single page to the back of your Open Mind.

**Guidelines:**
* Must be neat, colorful, and creative.
* Unique and detail-oriented. Shares the vision.
* What should we learn? Message?
* No lined paper.

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