

# Outsiders book and movie comparison



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The book and the movie of the Outsiders are two very different stories. The book has so much more detail than the movie. The movie is not the most detailed but it does get its point across. There are many similarities and also many differences between the two the book is by far more interesting and more detailed than the movie. I enjoyed the book a lot and the movies a lot but the movie was missing a lot. A few similarities between the movie and book are that the movie still has the complete Greaser gang Pony, Johnny, Soda, Darry, Dally, Two-Bit and Steve.

They still have some of the more sad part like when Johnny and Dally die. There is still lots of conflict between the Greasers and the Soc's. There is still the situation where Johnny kills one of the Soc's and Johnny and Ponyboy both skip town. They still go to the church and hide out for 5 days.

They still save the little kids from the burning church house. They still have the rumble and they also still win it. The settings are both still the same they both take place in Tulsa Oklahoma in the mid 1960's. They both still have the same conflicts and the same outcome to the conflicts.

Both the book and the movies are very much alike. There are still a few differences like in the book, there is a rich west side and a poor east side. In the movie, there is a rich south side Soc and a poor north side Greaser. Darry doesn't treat Pony as bad in the movie as he did in the book. Pony takes the death of Johnny and Dally a little less hard in the movie than he did in the book. The movie doesn't mention Sodapop's horse Mickey Mouse. Sodapop and Dally aren't blonds like they are in the book, instead they are brunettes in the movie.

The church that Ponyboy and Johnny run away to isn't on a hill it is just out there. The movie also never mentions Sodapops girl friend. In the book Soda gives Ponyboy money while in the movie he didn't. Also the book was written in Ponyboy's perspective and the movie was not, the movie was written in everyone's perspective. In the Movie the Socs were from the South instead of the West. Ponyboy doesn't smoke as much in the movie as they said so in the book. Ponyboy Curtis is the fourteen-year-old boy that explains the story in both the book and the movie, and also the youngest of the greasers.

Ponyboy is very intelligent compared to the rest of the gang he is most definitely the smartest to them all. Because his parents have died in a car accident, Ponyboy lives with his two brothers Darry and Sodapop in both the book and movie. Darry repeatedly accuses Ponyboy of lacking common sense in the book more so than in the movie, but Ponyboy is a much brighter than his brother takes him for. Throughout the novel, Ponyboy struggles with class division, violence, innocence, and familial love but in the movie they don't focus on his school as much. He matures over the course of the book and the movie both.

Darrel Curtis Ponyboy's oldest brother. Darrel, known as "Darry," both in the book and in the movie. He is a twenty-year-old greaser who is raising Ponyboy because their parents have died in a car crash. Strong, athletic, and intelligent, Darry has quit school in the book and in the movie. He works two jobs to hold the family together. One of the leader of the greasers, he becomes a parent role model for Ponyboy. He also makes good chocolate cake, which he and his brothers eat every day for breakfast in the book but

the movie really does not mention it. The other greasers call him “ Superman. ”

Sodapop Curtis Ponyboy’s fun, intergetic, handsome brother. Sodapop is the middle Curtis boy. Ponyboy admires Sodapop’s good looks and charm. Sodapop is really a great person in both the book and the movie his plans are to marry Sandy , a greaser girl. Two-Bit Mathews The joker of Ponyboy’s group. Two-Bit, whose real name is Keith, is a wise-cracking greaser who regularly shoplift he gets in trouble a lot more in the movie more so then in the book. He loves his sleek black-handled switchblade so much in both the book and the movie. Dallas Winston the toughest hood in Ponyboy’s group of greasers.

Dallas, known as “ Dally,” is a big bad teen who used to run with gangs in New York shown both in the book and the movie. He has an elfin face and icy blue eyes and, unlike the others he do not put grease in his white-blond hair. Dally’s violent tendencies make him more dangerous than the other greasers in both the book and the movie, and he takes pride in his criminal record more so in the book then the movie. Sandy is Sodapop’s girlfriend in both the book and the movie. Sandy is pregnant with another boys child and moves to Florida to live with her grandmother in both the book and the movie.

Like the other greaser girls, Sandy only is shown in the book and the movie when the boys mention her. Cherry Valance Bob’s girlfriend, she is a Soc cheerleader. When one night Ponyboy meets her at the movies in both the book and the movie. Cherry’s real name is Sheri, but people call her Cherry because of her red hair. Ponyboy and Cherry have so much in common, and

Ponyboy feels comfortable talking to her more so mentioned in the book than in the movie. This is why I say the book of the Outsiders is far better than the movie. The movie is missing lots of detail and the book is far more interesting than the movie.