ENG 4C1 Mrs.Tate

***The Outsiders* Creative Writing Assignment**

Having now finished reading the book and watched the film version, choose one of the options below.

*Write an alternative ending to the movie describing what happened to Ponyboy and his family over the next five years. A good submission will include whether Ponyboy went to college, what Darry did after both Ponyboy and Sodapop reached 18, and what happened to Sodapop. (A good submission will also bring in other characters like Cherry, Randy, and Two-Bit.)*

**OR**

*Write the last five minutes of the story, from the time that Johnny dies until the end, from the viewpoint of another character such as Cherry, Randy, Two-Bit, Darry, Sodapop, Dally's Ghost, or Johnny's Ghost. In your narrative describe action (including dialogue), reveal thoughts (including internal monologues), describe observations by the characters, use descriptive language (including images of people, places and things), and compare one thing to another.*

**Guidelines**:

* Your assignment must be typed and double-spaced, approx 2-3 pages in length.
* You must include process work with your good copy (outline and/or rough draft)
* You must demonstrate creativity, but also your knowledge of the book and film must be accurate and obvious throughout your story.

**Due Date:**

**Evaluation:**

**Knowledge/Understanding /5 marks**

Demonstrates understanding of themes and characters of *The Outsiders.*

Appropriate length.

**Thinking/Inquiry /5 marks**

Story is creative and interesting.

Uses inference skills in development of alternative storyline.

**Communication** /**5 marks**

Communicates ideas effectively.

**Application** /**5 marks**

Applies correct spelling and grammar to written assignment.

Includes rough copy / outline with clear revisions.

**/20 marks (Writing Strand)**