

Student Essay on The Red Pony

The Red Pony by John Steinbeck

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Essay

Title: The Red Pony

Author: John Steinbeck

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Setting (s):A ranch

Major Characters: Jody, Billy Buck, and Carl Tiflin

Summary: Jody gets a red pony from his father, Carl Tiflin. He named him Gabilan which means hawk in Spanish. Billy Buck, the ranch helper, assisted Jody to train, brush, and feed Gabilan. Just as Jody was about to teach Gabilan to let him ride him, Gabilan gets sick. So Billy Buck and Jody tries to save him. Unluckily, one night Gabilan runs away. The next morning Jody finds vultures preying on the corpse.

Reaction:I liked this book because Jody and Billy was a hard-working team of raising Gabilan and learning about him. Jody also discovers about the ways of nature and the ways of a man. I also recommend this book because it is a classic tale and the moments in a young man's coming of age. This is a great book.