

Student Essay on The Outsiders

The Outsiders by S. E. Hinton

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Essay

After reading the book *The Outsiders* and watching the movie I had many observations. In this piece of writing I am going to talk about the similarities and differences between the novel and film, state whether or not I felt the actors fit their roles, and name which of the two I preferred while giving an inclusive explanation for my reasoning.

The film was accurate with the storyline of the novel written by S.E. Hinton but sometimes-missed minor details. It occasionally showed parts I never read in the book to enhance the viewers interest and would also create a more vivid picture in my mind of what the scenes and characters looked like. An example of this was minutes into the movie when Pony and Soda went to the store; they saw a young Greaser getting beat up by Soc's.

There differences in this movie were very concise but I will thoroughly do my best to contrast and compare the novel to the film. In the novel, the main character named Ponyboy is looking for a ride home and thinking about Paul Newman when he gets jumped by the higher social class; the Socs. Darry and a few other greasers save Pony by scaring away the attackers. This whole scene was missing from the film and took away my interest until latter scenes.