Today we are going to begin our Graffiti Wall project. This project will use dialogue from the novel as a way of analyzing the characters.

**STEP 1:** Select five characters from the novel (not including Ponyboy).

**STEP 2:** Think about what each character is like. Brainstorm words to describe his or her personality. Choose one or two key traits to focus on for each character.

**STEP 3:** For each character, choose something he or she said that helps illustrate the traits you have decided to focus on.

**STEP 4:** For each character, write a minimum of at least one paragraph using your chosen quote to fully explain the characters’ traits. In each explanation you should:

- Use the quote as a title for the paragraph.
- Give a brief explanation of where the quote appears in the novel (including the page number) and what is going on in the plot at the time the quote is used.
- Explain what this quote says about your character.
- Offer other evidence from the novel that also helps develop the character’s trait(s).

**STEP 5:** Create the Graffiti Wall:

- Color the Wall handout.
- Add each quote to the wall, graffiti style. Include the characters’ names.
- Trim the edges and mount the wall on construction paper.

**Grading:** You will be graded on the thoroughness and insightfulness of your explanations, your grammar/mechanics, and the overall neatness of your presentation. The Graffiti Wall will count as a test grade. Sorry, no homework passes allowed!
Name __________________________

Graffiti Wall Grade Sheet

Character 1  ____/16
Character 2  ____/16
Character 3  ____/16
Character 4  ____/16
Character 5  ____/16
Graffiti Wall  ____/10
Grammar/Mechanics  ____/10