Outsiders Vocabulary Words

The Outsiders
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Chapter 1 Vocabulary

1. asset- an advantage or source of strength.

2. unfathomable- not capable of being understood or grasped.

3. rivalry- a continued striving for advantage over another.

4. gingerly- cautiously; carefully

5. sagely- wisely; knowingly
Chapter 2 Vocabulary


7. **incredulous** - not ready to believe; doubting.

8. **nonchalantly** - in a casual and unenthusiastic manner.

9. **abiding** - obeying.

10. **digested** - thought over, absorbed.
Chapter 1 and 2 Vocabulary Terms

Asset unfathomable
rivalry gingerly
sagely roguishly
incredulous nonchalantly
abiding digested
Chapter 3 Vocabulary

11. sophisticated - experienced in worldly ways

12. aloofness - the state of being uninterested and unsympathetic

13. elite - superior; top

14. resignedly - patiently accepting; in an unresisting way

15. ember - a glowing piece of wood, coal, etc.
Chapter 4 Vocabulary

16. **apprehensive** - anxious or fearful; uneasy

17. **defiance** - open, bold resistance to authority

18. **contemptuous** - scornful; despising

19. **sheepish** - acting embarrassed or ashamed

20. **premonition** - a feeling that something is about to occur
Chapter 3 and 4 Vocabulary Word Bank

Premonition     aloofness
apprehensive     ember
sheepish        sophisticated
resignedly      elite
contemptuous    defiance
Chapter 5 Vocabulary

21. **imploringly** - in a pleading, begging manner
22. **sullenly** - in a gloomy, silent, surly way
23. **hue** - color, especially a tint or shade
24. **subside** - to sink back or down; become lower
25. **elude** - to escape understanding; baffle
26. **wistfully** - longingly; in a wishful manner
Chapter 6 Vocabulary

27. **doggedly** - in a stubborn or persistent way

28. **conviction** - strong belief

29. **detached** - uninvolved; indifferent; disinterested

30. **racking** - agonizing; tormenting
Chapter 7 Vocabulary

31. **radiate** - to send out rays; to beam or shine

32. **delinquents** - people (especially young people) who commit a crime

33. **manslaughter** - unlawfully killing another without planning in advance

34. **brawn** - strength; physical power

35. **recurring** - occurring again and again

36. **aghast** - shocked; horrified; terrified

37. **exploit** - daring act or heroic deed
Chapter 8 Vocabulary

38.  *falter* - spoke hesitantly; stammered

39.  *jet* - black, usually high polished

40.  *divert* - draw to another direction; turn from its course
Chapter 9 Vocabulary

41. underprivileged - not enjoying the social or economic benefits others have; needy or disadvantaged

42. conformity - acting according to general rules or standards

43. ruefully - regretfully; sorrowfully

44. leery - wary; suspicious

45. taut - not slack; pulled tight

46. contract - to draw together; shrink
Chapter 10 Vocabulary

47. **stupor** - state in which the mind and senses are dulled; daze

48. **stricken** - tortured; agonized; heartbroken

49. **delirious** - wildly irrational; mentally wandering

50. **clad** - dressed; wearing
Chapter 11 Vocabulary

51. idolized - adored; worshipped; blindly admired

52. hearing - an appearance in front of a judge before trial

53. guardian - protector; one who watches over another

54. liable - likely
Chapter 12 Vocabulary

55. flinching - withdrawing or shrinking from

56. acquitted - set free after evidence has been considered

57. vacuum - state of emptiness; void

58. veered - shifted from one direction to another

59. welled - gushed up

60. vast - great in size or scope