**The Setting of *The Outsiders* – Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1960s**

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What was it like living in the 1960s? Your task is to gain knowledge of the 1960s culture in order to better understand and connect with the characters in *The Outsiders*. Using the websites provided, you will be asked to explore aspects of the 60s including the culture, important people, events, and activities of the decade.

Website #1 - <https://www.thepeoplehistory.com/1960s.html>

1. What was the average salary in 1960?
2. What was the average salary in 1969?
3. Which President was assassinated in 1963?
4. What famous speech was delivered by Martin Luther King, Jr in 1963?
5. What were some popular toys in the 1960s?
6. What major annual sporting event starting in 1967?
7. In 1968, what civil right leader was assassinated?
8. In 1969, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first men to do what?
9. The was the decade of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ found on anything and everything around the world including T Shirts , it's popularity was at its peak in the mid to late 1960's.
10. What popular children’s show started in 1969?

Website #2 - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greaser_(subculture)>

1. What is a “greaser”?
2. Read about the etymology of the term greaser. Is the term “greaser” a positive or negative term? Explain.

Read under the “Fashion” heading.

1. What was the most notable physical characteristic?
2. What did “greasers” wear?

Website #3 - <http://cougartown.com/slang.html>

Slang in the 60s- Use the following website to define the terms listed below.

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| 1. Cat |
| 1. Chick |
| 1. Hairy |
| 1. Dig |
| 1. Cherry |
| 1. Fuzz |
| 1. Cool |
| 1. Thongs |
| 1. Greaser |
| 1. Tight |
| 1. Bug |
| 1. Bad |

Website #4 - <http://www.pbs.org/opb/thesixties/topics/culture/>

Read through the information on this page. Write down FOUR facts about the 1960s that you find interesting.

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