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IVF Topic Sentence & Summary

Directions: Fill out the topic sentence and events to plan for the paragraph summary at the bottom.

| Verbs |
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| Identify the subject/text | Verb (pick one) | Finish the thought | |
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| Chapter 1 | introduces | Ponyboy and his friends | |
| | explains | what it's like being a greaser | |
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Copy your topic sentence here and edit (This is your first sentence):

Chapter 1 introduces Ponyboy and his friends and explains what it's like being a greaser.

Break down the events into five parts that you will include in your summary in the order that they happened.

- 1. Ponyboy gets jumped by Socs while walking home from the movies alone.
- 2. His brothers and friends save him.
- 3. Ponyboy describes each of his brothers and friends.
- 4. They stand around and talk about girls and hanging out the next day.
- 5. Ponyboy thinks about his identity as a greaser that night before going to sleep.

Write out the **6-sentence summary paragraph** below, using the information above.

Chapter 1 introduces Ponyboy and his friends and explains what it's like being a greaser.

While walking home alone from the movies, Ponyboy gets jumped by a group of Socs, the greasers' enemy. His brothers and friends save him just in time and chase the Socs off. Ponyboy describes each of his brothers and friends. The boys stand around and talk about girls and hanging out the next day. Later that night, Ponyboy thinks about his identity as a greaser before going to sleep.