The Outsiders- S.E. Hinton

1. What does it mean to be a ―self-confessed tomboy?

2. Why did Hinton use only the initials of her first and middle names when publishing The Outsiders?

3. Explain why it took Hinton so long to write and publish another book after The Outsiders.

4. Which of her books were eventually made into movies?

5. In the following sentence, ―In 1988, she wrote Taming the Star Runner and in 1995, deviated from writing for young adults and wrote two children‘s books, The Puppy Sister and Big David, Little David,‖ what does the word deviated mean?

6. What is Hinton‘s most recent novel and how is it different from her other novels?

7. What 2-3 questions would you ask if you were granted a personal interview with Hinton?

8. In your opinion, why do you think there isn‘t much personal information about Hinton in this short biography?

9. On a large sheet of paper, use the information in this biography to help you draw a timeline of Hinton‘s life and works. Be sure to include important dates, showing her literary accomplishments and major events in her life. Illustrate with pictures and include a colorful key.