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## Tough Choices

### Short Answer Key

1. Dally's belief that toughness means shutting out emotions leads him to make dangerous choices, which ultimately result in his death.
2. At first, Johnny sees Dally as strong and fearless, but later he realizes that true strength comes from helping others, not just being tough.
3. Ponyboy learns that toughness isn't about being cold but about staying true to himself and what he believes in.
4. Dally avoids the fire at first, but Johnny runs in to save the kids, showing that toughness can mean different things to different people.
5. The author shows different definitions of toughness to help readers understand that strength comes in many forms.

