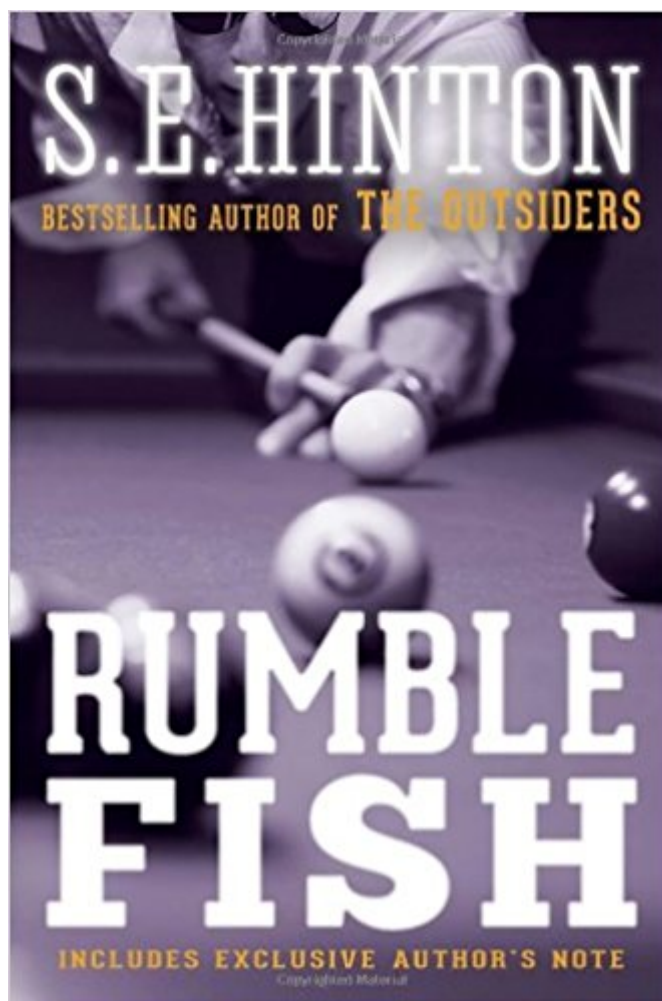


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# Rumble Fish



## Synopsis

From the author of the international bestseller *The Outsiders* comes a "stylistically superb" novel that "packs a punch that will leave readers of any age reeling" (SLJ, starred review). Rusty-James is the number one tough guy among the junior high kids who hang out and shoot pool at Benny's. He's proud of his reputation, but what he wants most of all is to be just like his older brother, the Motorcycle Boy. Whenever Rusty-James gets in over his head, the Motorcycle Boy has always been there to bail him out. Then one day Rusty-James' world comes apart, and the Motorcycle boy isn't around to pick up the pieces. What now? Like Hinton's groundbreaking classic *The Outsiders*, *Rumble Fish* was adapted into a movie by Francis Ford Coppola and remains as relevant as ever in its exploration of sibling relationships, the importance of role models, and the courage to think independently. This edition includes an exclusive Author's Note. An ALA Best Book for Young Adults A School Library Journal Best Book of the Year A Kirkus Reviews Editor's Choice "Sharper in focus and more mature in style than Hinton's *The Outsiders*." *Booklist* "Hinton, on her own turf, is still unbeatable." *Kirkus Reviews* "S.E. Hinton is a brilliant novelist." *Publishers Weekly*

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This is a book about a boy who bases his whole life off of a few desires, gets what he wants, and realizes that it isn't so good after all. The story itself has no real plot line, but I can guarantee that it will make an impact on the reader. Just a warning: Rusty-James, the main character, is not very smart. If you want to read about someone you can look up to, this book is not for you.

S.E.Hinton is a great writer. The story was great, but the ending happened in the last 2 chapters. The ending was a little too fast for me. I would have liked to see it last.

I have read many of S.E. Hinton's books and she does a fine job of making them all stand alone. This is no easy task when a key theme to many of her books are mixed up boys in mixed up family and personal situations. Yet Hinton successfully avoids cross over. "Rumble Fish" leaves many conclusions to the reader, but what stands out for me is the need for boys to have a positive social and home life to be good men. Nicholas R.W. Henning - Australian Author

My daughter loves these books

Great item with fast shipping. Thanks, :)

Although it is not as good as The Outsiders, Rumble Fish still has that raw, rugged feel of a Hinton book. I still would recommend it!

I purchased Rumble Fish to complete my daughter's collection of S.E. Hinton novels. I read them all as a teenager and was pleased that she enjoyed them just as much as I did. Highly recommend all of S.E. Hinton's books!

Rusty-James desperately looks up to his cool, older brother, Motorcycle Boy. But, no matter how tough he acts, no matter how many fights he gets into, he doesn't ever seem to obtain Motorcycle

Boy's charm, grace, or adoration. Hinton weaves a deeply complex look into the psychology of a troubled young man. In fact, this is probably her most complex novel, and definitely one for older readers, not necessarily because of the material, but because of the intensity and density of the material. Rusty-James is far from a likeable character, but he--and his voice--are fascinating and engaging, even heart-wrenching. Grade: A-

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