The Red Pony Essay, Research Paper

The Red Pony was written by John Stienback and firstpublished in 1933. It tells the story of a boy named Jody wholearns how to be a man and how to lose a best friend. His familysupports him and wants him to be a rancher. Jody had a hard ranch life in Northern California. Jodygoes to a small school near his house. There are many mountainsnear his house which Jody is curious about. There are many wildanimals that live around his house. There is a bay near Jody’shouse where his father fishes. Jody was the main character in the book. He was a boy whoworked with his family on a farm. He was a strong boy, whohelped his father. Jody was curious and kind-hearted boy. Jodyhad a horse trainer named Billy Buck. Billy Buck was the bestcow-hand in the town. Jody’s father was a firm, strict man whowanted the best for Jody. He wanted to give his family anythinghe could provide. Jody was very fond of his father. Jody’smother was a loving person. She devoted herself to Jody andalways wanted the best for him. Jody was a boy who was given a horse by his father. He namedthe horse Gabilian. His father bought him at a horse show withBilly Buck She was a wild stallion who Jody loved. Jody and BillyBuck broke Gabilian using many different methods. Jody cared forthe horse. After a few months of training Jody was able to rideGabilian. One day Jody left Gabilian outside in the coral near hishouse. While Jody was in school it rained. Gabilian was out inthe rain. Jody hurried outside and brought Gabilian to thestall. Gabilian was drenched in water when Jody had gotten herto the stable. Gabilian had caught a cold while she was out in the rain. Jody put warm cloths on Gabilian and tried to get him healthy. Months passed and Gabilian was still sick. Jody felt sick andwas in a frantic state while she was sick. Billy Buck found alump in Gabilian throat. He had to cut out the lump inGabilian’s neck. The horse lost too much blood and later died.Jody was sad and felt guilty after the horse died. After Jody’s father saw how sad Jody felt he went and boughtJody another horse. Jody was happy after he got the new horse.One day Billy Buck found out that the horse was going to have ababy. They expected that the horse was going to have the baby byThanksgiving. When Thanksgiving came the horse was not ready to have thebaby. Jody was nervous and remembered what happened to Gabilian.Weeks passed until the horse went into labor. Jody was scaredthat both the baby and mother would die. They baby turned thewrong way in the pouch of the mother. Billy Buck said thatinorder to save the baby he must kill the mother. Jody told himto kill the mother and to save the baby. Billy Buck saved thebaby and had killed the mother. Jody was sad, but knew that hehad to save the baby horse. This is what made Jody a man. Jody had became a man and he learned how to make desisionsin his life. He lost two of his best friends to death. Helearned how to deal with death of his loved ones. Jody alsolearned how to sacrifice a mother to save a baby. Jody became aman by learning how to handle death and how to make decisions. Jody was a boy who was a rancher and listened to hisparents. He thought it was easy to act like a man until thedeath of Gabilian. He learned to deal with death and how to livewithout a best friend. Jody became a man when he proved tohimself that he could live with knowing that a loved one died. He learned how to make safrifices for life. This made him a trueman.