



# *Of Mice and Men*

Study Guide Questions

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**Directions:** Write ONLY the answers for the following questions.

## **Chapter 1**

1. Who is Lennie and what does he look like?
2. Who is George, what does he look like, and what is his relationship to Lennie?
3. What "trouble" did George and Lennie have in Weed?
4. What is in Lennie's pocket? Why does he have it?
5. George bursts into a long a speech about what he could do if he were alone. What *could* he do? **(Be specific and make a LIST of what he says!)**
6. What is George's response to Lennie when Lennie says he could go off and live in a cave?
7. Why are George and Lennie different than other "guys like [them] who live on ranches"? **(Be specific.)**
8. What are George and Lennie going to do someday? **(Be specific! What is their dream?)**
9. What **two things** does George want Lennie to remember?
10. Why does George want to camp overnight instead of going another quarter mile to the ranch?

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8. Why does Curley pick a fight with Lennie?

9. What is the result of Curley and Lennie's conflict?

#### Chapter 4

1. Identify Crooks: Ethnicity:  
Living Quarters:  
Frustrations:

Job:  
Past-times:

How others treat him:

How he treats Lennie:

2. How does Crooks first respond to Lennie's telling him about "the land"?

3. What does Crooks want when he starts to believe that Lennie and George might actually get their "land"?

4. Why does Curley's wife come into the barn?

5. Why does Crooks change his mind about "the land" after Curley's wife leaves?

#### Chapter 5

1. What happens to Lennie's puppy? What is Lennie's reaction and what does he do?

2. Why does Curley's wife come to see Lennie?

3. What does Curley's wife tell Lennie about herself—what she thinks she could have been and why she married Curley?

4. What happens to Curley's wife while she's with Lennie? How does it happen?

5. What is George's reaction when he finds out about what has happened Curley's wife?

6. What is Curley's reaction when he finds out about what has happened to his wife?

## Chapter 6

1. George makes a difficult choice. Explain what his choice is and how he carries out his decision.
2. List **three** reasons explaining why you think George made the choice that he did.
3. Who understands what George did and why?
4. Explain how Candy's situation with his dog probably influenced George's decision.