

## Of Mice and Men Study Guide For Test

1. What is the name of the town from which George and Lennie are fleeing when the novel opens?
2. What excites Lennie most about his dream life with George?
3. Why is Candy unable to imagine getting rid of his old dog?
4. Why does Curley wear a Vaseline-filled glove on one hand?
5. Why does Carlson insist on shooting Candy's dog?
6. What is Old Susy's place?
7. What does Curley wear to set himself apart from the other men?
8. Who cared for Lennie before George?
9. *Of Mice and Men* is set in which decade?
10. What does Curley's wife offer to let Lennie touch?
11. To whom does Candy look for advice before allowing Carlson to shoot his dog?
12. How does Steinbeck foreshadow the death of Curley's wife?
13. How did Crooks get his name?
14. Before George meets Lennie in the woods in the final scene, whose gun does he take?
15. When Lennie drops down next to the pool of water as the novel opens, what is George's advice to him?
16. Who is the only man to understand the bond between Lennie and George?
17. Why doesn't Crooks allow Lennie to enter his room at first?
18. Disappointed with her life, Curley's wife wonders where she would be if she had followed her dreams and become which of the following things?
  19. Why does Lennie have a dead mouse in his pocket?
  20. Why have George and Lennie run away from Weed?
  21. Candy, the old swamper who shows George and Lennie to their bunks and what is his disability?
  22. According to the old swamper, what is Curley good at?
  23. What happened that made George stop playing dirty tricks on Lennie?
  24. Why did George and Lennie have to flee from Weed?
  25. What is significant about the letter Whit reads from the Western magazine?
  26. Why has Crooks been able to accumulate more personal items than the other ranch hands?
  27. According to Curley's wife, why are the men afraid to talk to her when there is more than one present?
  28. What has happened to Lennie's puppy and why?
  29. What two pieces of information does Curley's wife share with Lennie?
  30. How and why does Lennie kill Curley's wife?
  31. Why does George say that they can't let Lennie escape to live on his own?
  32. What two imaginary visitors does Lennie have while sitting on the river bank? What does he talk to each of them about?
33. Describe the setting of the novel. Why is it so important?
34. Compare and contrast George and Lennie.
35. Contrast Lennie and Curley.
36. Explain all the reasons that George stays with Lennie.
37. Discuss the dream of George and Lennie in detail.
38. Explain the pattern of death that is developed in the novel, starting in the first chapter.
39. Why do Candy, Crooks and Curley's wife each feel lonely?
40. Is Lennie painted as a likable person in the book? Discuss.
41. Is George portrayed as a likable person? Discuss.
42. Discuss the foreshadowing in the novel and give examples from the story line/
43. How is the relationship between Lennie and George win-win? Why? Discuss your answer in detail and include examples from the novel.
44. Be able to identify all of the characters from the novel.
45. Be able to identify symbolism within the novel.
46. Be able to identify metaphors and similes within the novel.
47. Be able to identify and discuss recurring themes in the novel/film.
48. Be able to identify and discuss foreshadowing in the novel/film.