



Of Mice and Men

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Part A SEQUENCING

Instructions: Arrange the following plot events in chronological order. **[15 marks]**

	George shoots Lennie in the back of the head.
	Lennie and George escape from Weed.
	Lennie crushes Curley's hand.
	Crooks asks Candy and Lennie if he can leave with them.
	George warns Lennie to stay far away from Curley's wife.
	George and Slim go into town to get drunk.
	Lennie accidentally kills Curley's wife.
	Curley's wife wanders into the bunkhouse all made up.
	Curley promises to shoot Lennie in the gut when he finds him.
	Lennie tries to sneak a puppy into the bunkhouse.
	George throws Lennie's dead mouse across the river onto the other side.
	George and the others go into town to visit the "cat house"
	Carlson kills Candy's dog.
	George steals Carlson's gun.
	Crooks invites Lennie and Candy into his room.

Part B MULTIPLE CHOICE

- Which event does the death of Candy's dog foreshadow?
 - the death of Lulu's puppies.
 - Crook's tragic death in a barn accident.
 - Lennie's tragic death.
 - the marriage of Curley and his wife.
- Who wrote the novel Of Mice and Men?
 - George Miller.
 - John Steelbaker.
 - William Shakespeare.
 - John Steinbeck.
- Why is George concerned about Lennie's taking a long drink of water?
 - He is getting his hat and dry clothes-soaking wet.
 - He is behaving like an ill-mannered person.
 - The water is still and it might make him sick again.
 - He hasn't washed his hands and his fingernails are filthy.



4. What three animals does the author compare Lennie to?

5. What does Lennie have hidden in his pocket? _____

6. How does Lennie get them into trouble in Weed?

7. In order to avoid being caught by an angry mob, Lennie and George are forced to hide in a

- a) cornfield.
- b) cave.
- c) wheat and Barley field.
- d) drainage ditch.

8. Lennie tells an angry George not to worry about his being left alone because he can do what?

9. Who is the first person George and Lennie meet on the ranch?

- a) Curley.
- b) Candy.
- c) Slim
- d) The Ranch Boss.

10. What does George find in his bunk that upsets him?

11. What is the stable-buck's name?

- a) Crooks.
- b) Carlson.
- c) Slim
- d) Candy.



12. What does the stable buck spend his free time doing?

- a) Rubbing liniment on his crooked back.
- b) Drinking and gambling in Town.
- c) Staring at Candy's young and beautiful wife.
- d) Reading in his room.

13. What does George tell Lennie to do when they first meet the new boss?

14. How did the stable buck hurt his now crooked back?

15. According to Crooks, how many black families lived in the area? _____

16. Why is Candy left behind all alone?

- a) He is lazy.
- b) He is a drunk and is always hung over.
- c) He hurt his back in a childhood accident.
- d) He is old and handicapped.

17. What are George and Lennie's full names?

George	Lennie
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18. What explanation does George give his new boss to explain Lennie's not being too bright?

19. What does Lennie like to eat with his beans? _____

20. What is Lennie's Aunt's name?

- a) Maud
- b) Chloe
- c) Harriet
- d) Clara



21. How many cans of beans do Lennie and George share? _____

22. What does George tell Lennie to do if he gets in trouble again?

23. George lies when he tells the new boss that he and Lennie are

- a) best friends.
- b) brothers.
- c) cousins.
- d) step brothers.

24. Curley is the Ranch Bosses _____.

25. How does Candy describe Curley's wife?

26. What does Curley keep inside his leather glove? _____

27. Why do the other ranch hands not like to have Candy's dog around the bunkhouse?

28. Whose idea is it to shoot Candy's old companion? _____

29. How is Candy's dog killed? _____

30. What does Slim ask Carlson to take with him as he leaves the bunkhouse?

- a) A flashlight.
- b) A shovel.
- c) An axe.
- d) A bigger gun.

31. Candy describes Curley as being "*pretty handy*" because

- e) he is handsome and thought to be a lady killer.
- f) he is a lightweight boxer.
- g) he has very small hands.
- h) he is excellent at fixing old broken farm machinery.



32. How long have Curley and his wife been married?

- a) Three years.
- b) Two weeks.
- c) Two months.
- d) Almost one year.

33. How long did Curley and his wife know each other before they got married?

- a) One night.
- b) One week.
- c) A few days.
- d) Nearly two months.

34. How much is Candy paid for his terrible accident? _____.

35. What is the only thought on Lennie's mind?

- a) Curley's wife.
- b) The puppy.
- c) Living off the "*fatta the land*"
- d) Petting the rabbits.

36. Where was Curley's wife originally from? _____

37. What is Slim's job on the ranch?

- a) He is the cook.
- b) He is a stable hand.
- c) He is the bookkeeper
- d) He is the crew foreman.

38. What reason does Curley's wife give for her visiting the bunkhouse?

39. Slim's dog Lulu has _____ puppies. How many of them does he drown "right off?"

- a) four.
- b) one.
- c) three
- d) two but two more died of hunger.

40. Why does Crooks live alone with the animals in the barn?



41. Why is Lennie upset when Curley's wife first sees him in the barn?

42. Who discovers the body of Curley's wife? _____

43. What does George ask Candy to do before he tells the others about Curley's wife's murder?

44. How many records did Curley's wife have? _____

45. What does Curley do to his wife's record collection?

46. What is Curley's wife's secret ambition?

47. According to Candy, why is Curley really angry with Lennie?

