

Of Mice and Men

Revision Booklet



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Plot

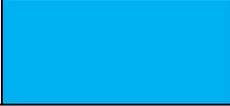
Complete the sentences using the words below.

Two men called George and _____ make their way down to a clearing beside the _____. They are heading to a nearby _____ to find work. Lennie has a dead _____, which he likes to stroke in his _____, but George makes him _____ it away. As they warm their supper, Lennie asks _____ to tell him about the house and land they are going to _____ one day.

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|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| George | Pocket | Throw | River | Lennie |
| | Ranch | Mouse | Own | |

At the start of the novel, Steinbeck introduces us to our main characters: George and Lennie.

Below, use the key to match the descriptions to the characters.

| | |
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| Lennie |  |
| George |  |

“Small and quick”

“...a huge man, shapeless of face,”

“...he walked heavily, dragging his feet a little,”

“Every part of him was defined”

“...drank with long gulps, snorting into the water like a horse.”

“...sharp, strong features”

George Milton

Below, is a picture of one of our main characters: **George**.

Using information from the book, fill in the boxes with important details about our main character.



Lennie Small

Below, is a picture of one of our main characters: **Lennie**.

Using information from the book, fill in the boxes with important details about our main character.

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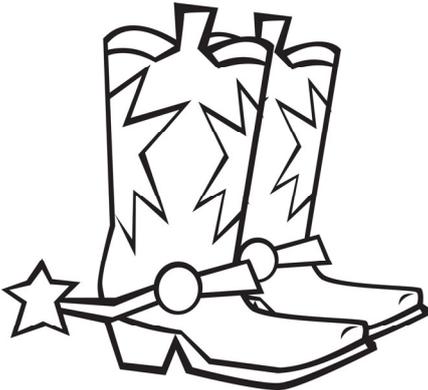
George and _____ arrive at the _____ where an old _____ named _____ shows them to their bunk. They meet the _____, who _____ George about Lennie.

The swamper comes back with his old _____ and they meet the boss's son, _____. They also meet a man called _____, whose dog has just had some

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|-------|------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Slim | Boss | Puppies | Lennie | Candy |
| Ranch | Dog | Wife | Swamper | Questions |
| | | Curley | | |

Below are some quotes describing the **Boss** character.

Underneath each quote, explain what Steinbeck is suggesting about this character.



“...he wore high-heeled boots and spurs to prove he was not a labouring man.”



“The boss stepped into the room, with the short, quick steps of a fat-legged man.”



“The boss squinted his eyes.”

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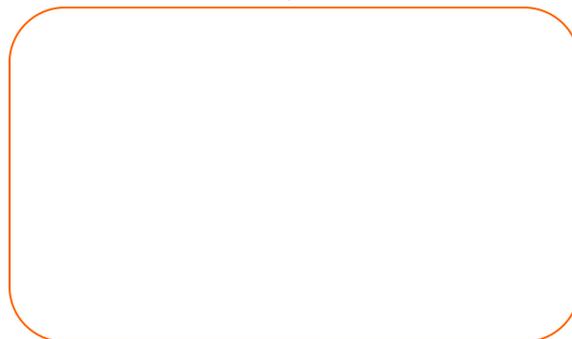
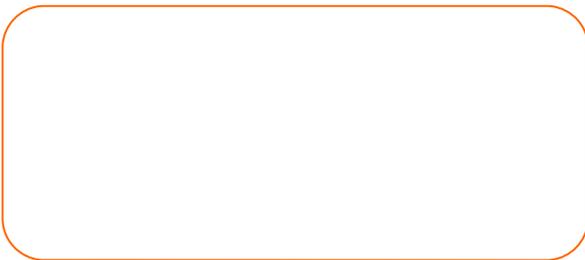
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Candy

Below, is a picture of one of our characters: **Candy**.

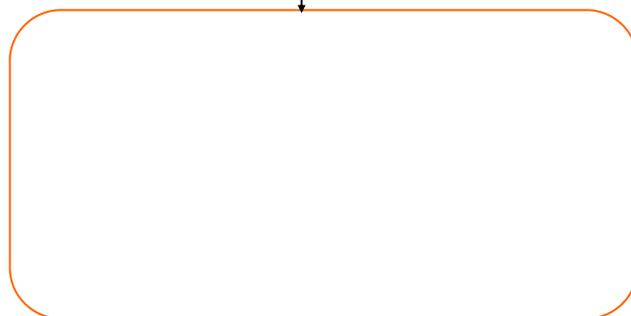
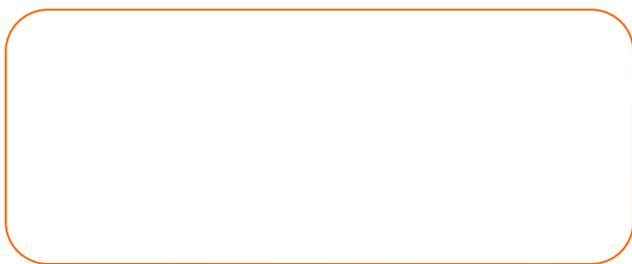
Using information from the book, fill in the boxes with important details about this character.



Curley

Below, is a picture of one of our characters: **Curley**.

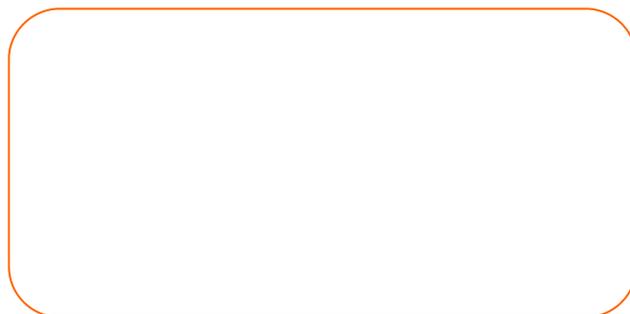
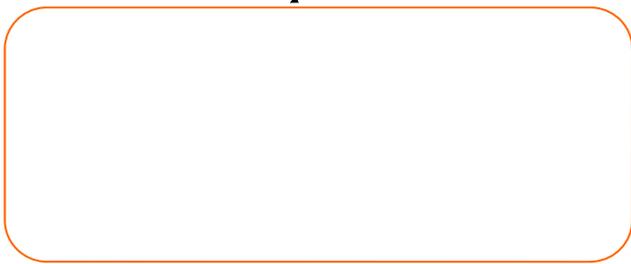
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Curley's Wife

Below, is a picture of one of our characters: **Curley's Wife.**

Using information from the book, fill in the boxes with important details about this character.



Candy's Dog

The fate of Candy's dog within *Of Mice and Men* is a very important event within the novel.

Using the key below, identify whether the statements are true or false.

| | |
|-------|--|
| True |  |
| False |  |

The dog is Candy's loyal friend.

The dog has become vicious with age.

The dog is old and worn out and is no longer useful.

The dog was never any use.

The other men won't tolerate the dog because he is old and smelly.

All the ranch workers love the old dog.

One of the men wants to have him shot and 'replaced' with one of the

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Complete the sentences using the words below.

_____ and Slim sit in the bunk house, talking about George and Lennie's _____. George explains why they had to leave _____. Lennie arrives cuddling his new _____ that Slim has given him. George makes him take it back to the barn.

_____ and Carlson come into the bunkhouse and are arguing about Candy's dog. Carlson says that Candy should _____ his old dog and keep one of the new puppies. Eventually, Candy _____. Carlson takes the dog outside and shoots him.

Slim and _____ leave the bunkhouse to go to the barn to look after an injured mule. Candy _____ looking for his wife. Suspicious of _____, he goes looking for her, leaving George and Lennie _____ with Candy. George and Lennie begin to talk about their _____ of owning their own farm. Candy offers to use his own _____ if they let him join them.

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|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Slim | Agrees | Puppy | Alone | Candy |
| George | Shoot | Crooks | Weed | Friendship |
| | Arrives | Dream | Savings | |

Why does George feel like he has to look after Lennie?

Why did George and Lennie have to leave Weed?

Candy

At this stage of the novel we begin to learn more about **Candy's** character.

Below, fill in how you think Candy feels during each event.



When Carlson shoots his dog?

When he hears George and Lennie's dream about the farm?

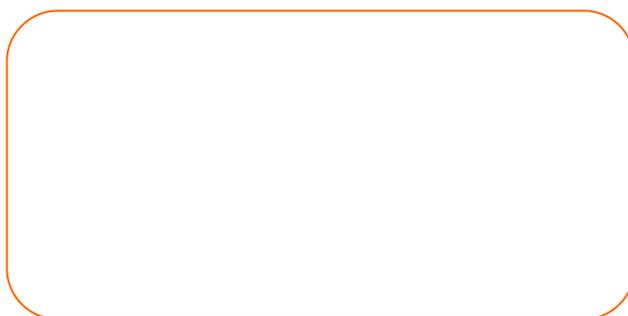
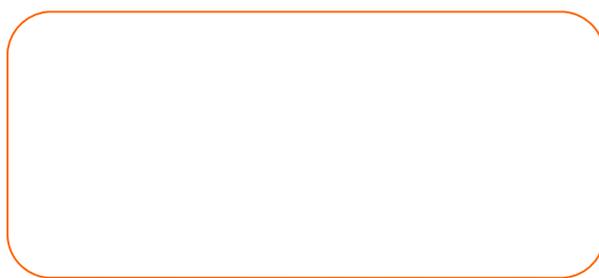
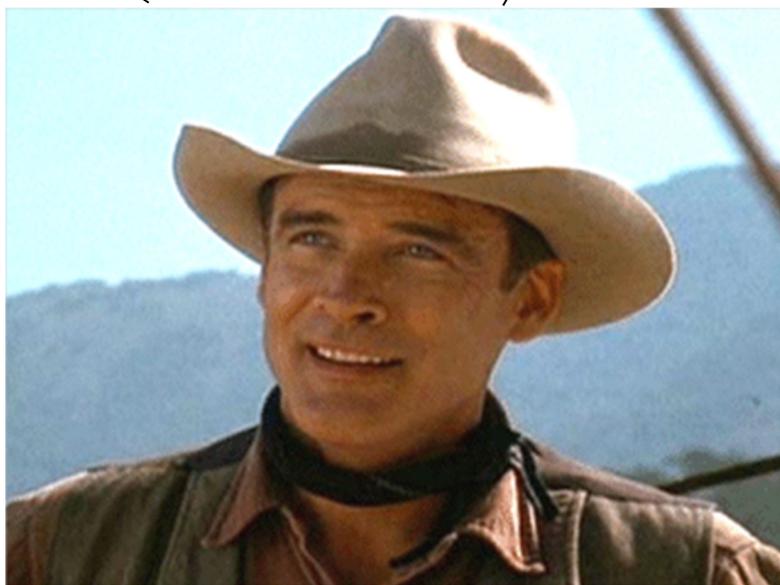
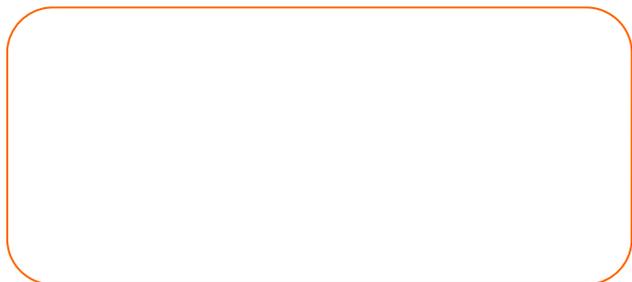


Why does Curley want to leave the Ranch?

Slim

Below, is a picture of one of our characters: **Slim**.

Using information from the book, fill in the boxes with important details about this character.



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Complete the sentences using the words below.

The men return to the bunkhouse, including _____ and _____ who are arguing over Curley's wife. Annoyed, Curley tries to pick a fight with _____. However, after George's warning, Lennie does not _____ himself until George says 'Let 'im _____ it!' Having George's _____, Lennie crushes Curley's _____. Slim tells Carlson to take Curley to the _____, saying that Curley got his hand caught in a _____.

Have

Curley

Machine

Hand

Slim

Lennie

Permission

Defend

Doctor

Below, suggest how the characters may have felt during this part of the novel.

Curley

Lennie



Slim

George

Animal Imagery

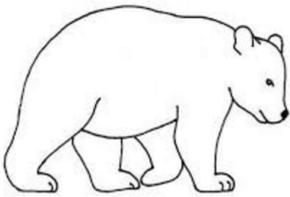
In *Of Mice and Men*, Steinbeck often uses imagery to describe the characters in the novel.

One way that he does this is by using **animal imagery**.

Below are some examples of how animal imagery is used within the novel.

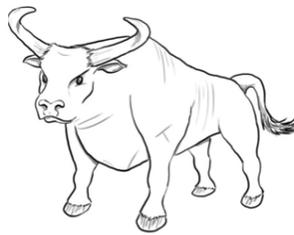
For each quote, explain what impression this gives the reader about the character being described.

Lennie



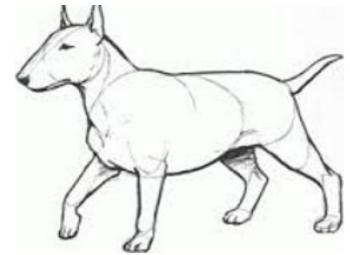
“He walked heavily, dragging his feet a little, the way a bear drags his paws.”

Lennie



“...strong as a bull...”

Curley



“Curley stepped over to Lennie like a terrier...”

Plot

Complete the sentences using the words below.

_____ is alone in his room when _____ wanders in. Most of the other men, including George, have gone into town for the _____. Jealous of George and Lennie's _____, Crooks tells Lennie that George will _____ him. But as Lennie becomes upset and _____, Crooks backs down and tells Lennie how he feels _____.

_____ arrives and begins to tell Crooks about how he is going to join George and Lennie in buying a _____. At first Crooks doesn't _____ Candy, but as they tell him their plan, he asks if he can _____ them, saying he will _____ for a room.

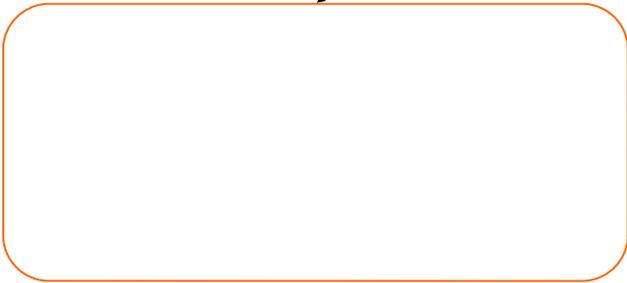
At this, Curley's _____ enters, as she too has been left behind. She tells the men that is she is often _____ with no one to _____ to. The men ask her to _____ but before she does, she _____ Crooks. As the men return, Crooks realises his _____ will never come true and tells Candy to forget him

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|---------------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Leave | Dream | Annoyed | Believe | Wife |
| Lennie | Crooks | Lonely | Farm | Evening |
| Left | Work | Friendship | Talk | Candy |
| | | Threatens | Leave | Join |

Crooks

Below, is a picture of one of our characters: **Crooks**.

Using information from the book, fill in the boxes with important details about this character.



Plot

Complete the sentences using the words below.

_____ is in the barn, stroking the puppy he has accidentally _____.
Curley's wife appears and tries to comfort him, letting him stroke her _____
whilst she tells him about her _____ marriage and her dream of wanting to
become an _____. However, Lennie becomes too heavy-hand and she tells
him to _____.

Lennie becomes _____ and holds on to her. She _____ for help
and Lennie _____. He puts his hand over her mouth and nose, shaking her
until he breaks her _____. When he realises what he has done, he
remembers George's _____ and runs off to _____ in the brush by

Unhappy

Neck

Instructions

Lennie

Killed

Actress

Panics

Stop

Frightened

Hide

Plot

Complete the sentences using the words below.

_____ comes into the _____ and discovers Curley's wife. He calls _____, then the other men. They prepare to go after Lennie and _____ him. Carlson discovers his _____ is missing and assumes that _____ has taken it. The younger men, including George, set out to find Lennie. Left alone to _____ over the body of Curley's wife, Candy lies down in the hay and covers his eyes with his _____.

Arm

Pistol

Kill

Candy

Lennie

Barn

Watch

George

Below, suggest how the characters may have felt when they find Curley's wife.

Slim

Curley



Candy

George

Plot

Complete the sentences using the words below.

Lennie arrives at the _____ and hides, waiting for _____. Thirsty, Lennie drinks from the _____. As he sits there he has two _____: first of his Aunt _____, who _____ at him for being a _____ to George. The other, of a large _____ who tells him that this time George will _____ him.

At this, George arrives and _____ Lennie, telling him once more about the _____ they will own. George can hear the other _____ approaching. He slips out Carlson's _____ and shoots _____ in the back of the head.

Hearing the shot, the men run into the clearing and see Lennie's _____. _____ gloats and rides off with _____, however _____ realises what Lennie's _____ has cost George.

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|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Clara | Carlson | Slim | Curley | Body |
| River | Brush | Rabbit | Death | Farm |
| Visions | Lennie | Shouts | George | Burden |

Theme: Dreams

Theme: Loneliness

How much can you remember?

Below is a list of events that happens throughout the novel.

See if you can put them in the correct order by numbering each event.

Curley attacks Lennie.

Lennie kills Curley's wife.

George and Lennie arrive at the ranch.

Crooks considers joining them on the farm.

Lennie hides in the brush.

They meet Curley, who takes a dislike to Lennie.

Candy's old dog is shot.

The men set out to hunt for Lennie.

George shoots Lennie dead.

Candy offers to put up \$350 for the farm.

