

Directions: Use a separate piece of paper to answer the following questions. **Each answer must be THREE or MORE sentences**, so add detail and explain. Do not submit this list of questions when turning in your answers.

Chapter 1

1. Give the physical descriptions of Lennie and George.
2. What is the first thing that George has to warn Lennie about?
3. What trouble did George and Lennie have in Weed, CA?
4. What was in Lennie's pocket? Why does he have it?
5. George bursts into a long speech about what he could do if he were alone. What could he do?
6. Lennie offers to go away and live in a cave. What is George's response.
7. Why are George and Lennie different from other guys who work on ranches?
8. What are George and Lennie going to do someday?
9. What are the two main things that George wants Lennie to remember?
10. What is the implied reason that George wants to camp overnight instead of going another quarter mile to the ranch?

Chapter 2

1. Look back at how both chapter 1 and chapter 2 begin. What similarities do you notice about how Steinbeck begins each chapter?
2. What concern does George have about the bunk he is assigned? What did he find that caused him concern?
3. What items are in George's bundle when he unpacks it?
4. What does George answer when the boss asks what he is trying to pull over? What part of his response is a lie?
5. Who is Curley, and what is he like?
6. Explain what the swamper meant when he said, "Seems like Curley ain't givin' nobody a chance."
7. What advice does George give Lennie after Curley and the swamper leave?
8. Describe Slim.
9. Describe Carlson.
10. What does Slim have that Lennie wants?

Chapter 3

1. Slim and George have a long conversation. Slim says it's funny how George and Lennie go around together. What is George's response?
2. Identify Candy. What is his job? What does he look like?
3. What did Carlson do with his Luger? Why?
4. What two games are being played inside the bunkhouse?
5. Describe Curley's wife. What problem does she seem to present?
6. What will Lennie's job be when he and George get their land?
7. What does Candy want when he hears about George's and Lennie's plan? What is he willing to contribute?
8. Why did Curley fight with Lennie?
9. Describe what happened in the fight between Curley and Lennie.
10. Why won't George and Lennie get canned after Lennie's fight with Curley?

REMINDER: All answers must be THREE or MORE sentences.

Chapter 4

1. Where is Crook's room located? Give several details about the room.
2. Why does Crooks say Lennie isn't welcome in his room?
3. Where is George when Lennie is talking to Crooks?
4. Explain what Crooks says about the importance of talking.
5. How does Crooks scare Lennie? Why does he eventually say he was just foolin'.
6. Lennie tells Crooks about the land. When Crooks first hears about it, what is his reply?
7. What makes Crooks realize that the land might be real?
8. What does Crooks want when he believes that there might really be land?
9. What was the first reason Curley's wife gave for coming to the barn? Why was she really there?
10. After Curley's wife left the barn, why did Crooks change his mind about going with George and Lennie?

Chapter 5

1. What happened to Lennie's puppy?
2. What was Lennie's reaction to what happened to the puppy?
3. Why did Curley's wife come to talk to Lennie in the barn?
4. What did Curley's wife confide in Lennie? (Definition of *confide*: to impart secrets trustfully; discuss private matters or problems)
5. What happened to Curley's wife?
6. Who found Curley's wife, and who did he go and get first?
7. What was George's reaction after Curley's wife was found?
8. What favor did George ask Candy for? Why does he need that favor?
9. What was Curley's reaction?
10. Who does Candy blame for ruining their plans to get the land?

Chapter 6

1. Where does Chapter 6 take place?
2. Who was Lennie talking to when he was found? What is he talking about?
3. Is Lennie's conversation making sense? What does this tell you about his state of mind at the moment?
4. Who was the first person to find Lennie? Is he mad?
5. What is Lennie worried George will do now that he has "done another bad thing"?
6. What story does George start to tell Lennie?
7. What does George tell Lennie to do?
8. What does George take out of his side pocket, and what does he do with it?
9. Who is the only person who understood what George did? What does he say that indicates that he understands?
10. What does the story imply will happen with the plan to get the land?