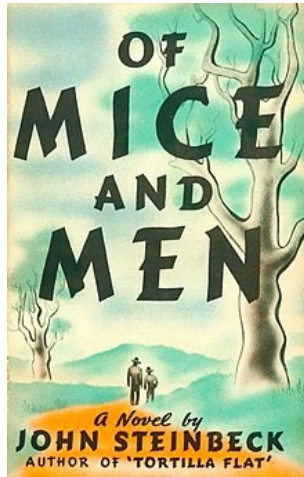


Of Mice and Men Summer Reading 2023-2024 English II CPA/CPB



- I. Reading Assignment
 - a. The novel must be read by the **first day of class (this makes no difference for semesters in block scheduling)**.
 - b. Each student must be able to discuss and to analyze the novel by the first day of class.
- II. Unit Test
 - a. The objective and/or essay sections of the unit assessment will be given after reviewing the novel.
 - b. Additional work will be assigned in class following the assessment.
- III. Text Link:
- IV. [Of Mice and Men \(cnr.it\)](http://cnr.it)

Guided Questions: To be successful on the unit test, you should be able to answer the following questions in detail. You must also be prepared to discuss various elements of literature, such as theme, mood, character development, plot, figurative language, etc. You do not need to submit your responses.

Chapter 1

1. In what part of the country does the novel take place?
2. List words that describe Lennie.
3. List words that describe George.
4. To what animal is Lennie compared?
5. To what animal would you compare George?
6. Why were George and Lennie run out of the town Weed?
7. What things does Lennie do and say that make him like a child?
8. Does George really want Lennie to go away? Explain your answer.

9. What is the meaning of the following phrase: “An’ live off the fatta the lan”?”
10. Where does George tell Lennie to hide if he gets in trouble?

Chapter 2

11. Who greeted George and Lennie at the bunkhouse?
12. What unusual habits did Whitey have?
13. Whom did the boss punish because George and Lennie were late? Why?
14. Why does George answer all the questions directed to Lennie?
15. How does the boss react to George’s friendship with Lennie?
16. What excuse does George give for Lennie’s slowness?
17. How does Curley react to Lennie’s silence?
18. What does he think about George and Lennie’s traveling together?
19. What does the swamper mean by the statement: “Curley’s pretty handy”?”
20. What uneasy feeling does George have about Curley’s wife?

Chapter 3

21. Who is Slim?
22. What kind act does Slim do for Lennie?
23. How does Slim react to Lennie and George’s traveling together?
24. Why do you think George told Slim about what happened in Weed?
25. From Carlson’s point of view list words that describe Candy’s dog.
26. What is Carlson’s solution to the problem of the dog?
27. Describe how Carlson shoots Candy’s dog?
28. What role does Candy play in helping George and Lennie try to buy land?
29. Why does Curley attack Lennie? What happens to Curley?

Chapter 4

30. Why is Crooks jealous of Lennie’s friendship with George?
31. How does Crooks fill his loneliness?
32. How does Crooks feel about Lennie’s dream of “livin’ off the fatta the lan”?”
33. Why does Curley’s wife interrupt Crooks, Candy, and Lennie?
34. Does Curley’s wife really know what happened to his hand? What is her reaction to the incident?

Chapter 5

35. What did Lennie do to the puppy?
36. Why is he angry at the dead puppy?
37. When Lennie does not want to talk to Curley’s wife, how does she react?
38. What does she ask Lennie to do?
39. How did Lennie kill her?
40. Candy blames whom for the murder? Why is he so angry at what has happened?
41. Why does George leave and then return to the scene of the crime with the others?

42. Who does Carlson think has stolen his Luger pistol?

Chapter 6

43. Where does Lennie hide?

44. Lennie has an unusual hallucination. Describe it.

45. How do the characters in Lennie's dream treat him?

46. What is George going to do to Lennie? How does he do it?

47. Earlier in the novel, who or what was killed in the same way?

48. Why did George lie to the others about what really happened?

49. Do you think this story has a positive or negative ending? Why?