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**Worksheet One**

This worksheet accompanies slide 4 of *Of Mice and Men – Introduction.ppt*

**Biography**

Which significant events in John Steinbeck's life happened at these times?

1902: \_\_\_\_\_

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1919–25: \_\_\_\_\_

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1929: \_\_\_\_\_

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1932–35: \_\_\_\_\_

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1937: \_\_\_\_\_

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1939: \_\_\_\_\_

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1940–51: \_\_\_\_\_

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1952: \_\_\_\_\_

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1962: \_\_\_\_\_

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1968: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Two**

This worksheet accompanies slide 7 of *Of Mice and Men – Introduction.ppt*

**The social context: the Great Depression**

Brainstorm everything you know about the Great Depression.



**The Great  
Depression**

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**Worksheet Three**

This worksheet accompanies slide 9 of *Of Mice and Men – Section One.ppt*

**Plot summary (Section One)**

Complete the summary by filling in the blanks.

Two men called George and \_\_\_\_\_ make their way down to a clearing beside the \_\_\_\_\_ River near the town of \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_. 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. They warm some \_\_\_\_\_ on a fire for \_\_\_\_\_ and Lennie asks \_\_\_\_\_ to tell him about the house and land they are going to \_\_\_\_\_ one day.

mouse      town      California      Lennie      throw      hide      supper  
George      ranch      Oklahoma      beans      pocket      own  
Soledad      soup      rat      live      Salinas

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**Worksheet Four**

This worksheet accompanies slide 10 of *Of Mice and Men – Section One.ppt*

**Vocabulary**

Match the words with their meanings.

recumbent

A species of wild dog native to North America

contemplate

Sulky and miserable

periscope

A brothel

anguish

In a lying down position

cat house

To think about

morose

A tube-like observation device mounted on submarines

coyote

Great distress

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**Worksheet Five**

This worksheet accompanies slide 13 of *Of Mice and Men – Section One.ppt*

**George**

Brainstorm everything you know about George.



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**Worksheet Six**

This worksheet accompanies slide 13 of *Of Mice and Men – Section One.ppt*

**Lennie**

Brainstorm everything you know about Lennie.





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**Worksheet Eight**

This worksheet accompanies slide 15 of *Of Mice and Men – Section One.ppt*

**Literary devices**

The first section of the novel is rich in imagery. Find at least one example of each of the following literary devices:

**Simile** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Metaphor** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Onomatopoeia** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Personification** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Ten**

This worksheet accompanies slide 2 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Two.ppt*

**Plot summary (Section Two)**

Complete the summary by filling in the blanks.

George and Lennie \_\_\_\_\_ at the \_\_\_\_\_ where an old \_\_\_\_\_ shows them their \_\_\_\_\_. They meet the \_\_\_\_\_, who \_\_\_\_\_ George about Lennie.

The swamper comes back with his \_\_\_\_\_. They meet the \_\_\_\_\_ son, whose name is \_\_\_\_\_. They also \_\_\_\_\_ a man called \_\_\_\_\_, whose dog has just had some \_\_\_\_\_. Curley's new \_\_\_\_\_ comes in, looking for her husband.

boss      rooms      beds      arrive      boss's      puppies      meet      Slim  
questions      girlfriend      Curley      dog      wife      swamper  
puppy      stable buck      fight      ranch

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**Worksheet Eleven**

This worksheet accompanies slide 3 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Two.ppt*

**Vocabulary**

Match the words with their meanings.

complacent

The driver of a mule team

derogatory

Reins

brusque

Satisfied with oneself

jerkliness

To heave bags of barley around

pugnacious

Critical and demeaning

skinner

Abrupt and offhand

buck barley

Aggressive; quick to fight or quarrel

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**Worksheet Twelve**

This worksheet accompanies slides 5 and 6 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Two.ppt*

**Candy**

Fill in this character study for Candy.

Appearance: Tall and dignified / Tall and strong / Tall and stooped  
White moustache / White stubbly whiskers / Long black hair  
Missing one hand / Limping / Almost blind

Job: Cooking and cleaning / Sweeping and cleaning / Driving the mule team

Personality: Lively / Bad-tempered / Talkative  
Slow / Humorous / Aggressive

Quotation(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Curley**

Fill in this character study for Curley.

Appearance: Small and thin / Short and stocky / Short and plump  
Snub nose / Tightly curled hair / Bright blue eyes  
Mules / High-heeled boots / Rigger boots

Job: We aren't told / Working in the stable / Working on the grain teams

Personality: Unassuming / Modest / Insecure  
Popular / Profound / Bullying

Quotation(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Thirteen**

This worksheet accompanies slides 7 and 8 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Two.ppt*

**Curley's wife**

Fill in this character study for Curley's wife.

Appearance: Sophisticated / Cheap / Dowdy

Pretty / Beautiful / Handsome

Cotton dress and mules / Checked shirt and jeans / Cotton dress  
and apron

Job: Cooking for the men / Keeping house for Curley / Helping on  
the ranch

Personality: Shy / Devoted / Flirtatious

Clever / Kindly / Attention-seeking

\_\_\_\_\_

Quotation(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Slim**

Fill in this character study for Slim.

Appearance: Long black hair / Large black eyes / Short black stubble

About thirty-five / Ageless / About fifty

Tall and big-bellied / Tall and well-built / Tall and lean

Job: Driving the mule team / Shearing the sheep / Tanning cowhides

Personality: Gentle / Feeble / Frightening

Domineering / Authoritative / Bullying

\_\_\_\_\_

Quotation(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Fourteen**

This worksheet accompanies slides 5 to 8 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Two.ppt*

**Characterization**

Choose three characters from the second section of the novel. For each character identify three separate points from Steinbeck's description of their appearance and explain how these points contribute to the reader's understanding of that character.

Character: \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Character: \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Character: \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Fifteen**

This worksheet accompanies slide 10 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Two.ppt*

**The old dog**

Statement	T/F
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 other men won't tolerate the dog because he is old and smelly.	
The dog was never any use.	
All the ranch workers love the old dog.	
One of the men wants to have him shot and 'replaced' with one of the new puppies.	



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**Worksheet Sixteen**

This worksheet accompanies slide 12 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Two.ppt*

**Theme: the underdog**

Brainstorm everything you know about marginalization.



**Marginalization**



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**Worksheet Seventeen**

This worksheet accompanies slide 2 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Plot summary (Section Three)**

Complete the summary by filling in the blanks.

George and \_\_\_\_\_ sit in the bunk house. George tells Slim about his \_\_\_\_\_ with Lennie and explains \_\_\_\_\_ they had to leave \_\_\_\_\_. Lennie arrives, \_\_\_\_\_ the puppy Slim has given him. \_\_\_\_\_ makes him take it back to the barn.

Candy and \_\_\_\_\_ come in. \_\_\_\_\_ tells Candy he ought to shoot his old dog. \_\_\_\_\_ Candy agrees. Carlson takes the dog away. \_\_\_\_\_ and Slim go to \_\_\_\_\_ an injured mule.

The rest of the men start talking about \_\_\_\_\_. Then Curley appears, looking for his wife. \_\_\_\_\_ of Slim, he rushes out to the barn. Some of the others \_\_\_\_\_, leaving George and Lennie \_\_\_\_\_ with Candy. George and Lennie talk about their \_\_\_\_\_ of the farm, and Candy offers to \_\_\_\_\_ his savings if they let him join them.

The other men return. \_\_\_\_\_ and Slim are \_\_\_\_\_. Curley turns on Lennie, who \_\_\_\_\_ his hand. Slim tells Carlson to get Curley to a \_\_\_\_\_. Curley agrees to say he caught his hand in a machine.

George      Curley      Weed      Slim      Carlson      Suspicious      doctor  
tend      cuddling      pool      Eventually      Soledad      shoot  
grin      arguing      alone      dream      Carlson      crushes      Crooks  
   women      why      follow      friendship

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**Worksheet Eighteen**

This worksheet accompanies slide 3 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Vocabulary**

Match the words with their meanings.

welter

A slang word for 'jail'

reprehensible

Willing to listen

rheumatism

To bring under control or quieten

receptive

Mockery and ridicule

derision

Short for 'welterweight' – a small boxer

subdue

Pain and inflammation in the joints or muscles

hoosegow

Deserving rebuke or condemnation

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**Worksheet Nineteen**

This worksheet accompanies slide 9 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Slim**

Brainstorm everything you know about Slim.



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**Worksheet Twenty**

This worksheet accompanies slide 10 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Hotseat**

You are Candy. How do you feel when...

...the others tell you to have your dog shot? \_\_\_\_\_

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...Carlson shoots your old dog? \_\_\_\_\_

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...you hear George and Lennie talking about the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

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...Curley attacks Lennie and Lennie crushes his hand? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Twenty-one**

This worksheet accompanies slide 10 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Hotseat**

You are Lennie. How do you feel when...

...George tells you to take your puppy back to the barn? \_\_\_\_\_

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...George is talking about Curley's wife? \_\_\_\_\_

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...you talk with George and Candy about the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

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...Curley attacks you? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Twenty-two**

This worksheet accompanies slide 10 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Hotseat**

You are George. How do you feel when...

...you are talking to Slim? \_\_\_\_\_

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...Candy asks if he can join you and Lennie on the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

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...the others are telling Candy to shoot his dog? \_\_\_\_\_

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...Curley attacks Lennie and Lennie crushes his hand? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Twenty-three**

This worksheet accompanies slide 10 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Hotseat**

You are Slim. How do you feel when...

...you talk with George? \_\_\_\_\_

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...you and the other men tell Candy he should shoot his dog...? \_\_\_\_\_

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...Curley asks you if you've seen his wife? \_\_\_\_\_

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...Curley attacks Lennie and Lennie crushes his hand? \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Worksheet Twenty-four**

This worksheet accompanies slide 12 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Three.ppt*

**Wordsearch**

See if you can find twelve key words from the novel.

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X	D	D	E	P	R	E	S	S	I	O	N	I	P	Y
A	W	E	I	M	F	J	L	M	I	B	E	A	S	R
M	M	I	L	S	A	K	T	S	A	F	S	A	G	O
E	R	T	S	H	T	G	I	Z	M	N	C	L	P	W
R	R	A	P	P	U	S	T	L	O	A	H	F	W	H
I	X	G	R	E	T	O	D	W	L	V	E	Y	R	B
C	R	O	G	R	E	N	N	I	K	S	T	R	O	X
A	L	E	N	N	I	E	F	X	P	I	N	G	D	E
A	E	P	R	E	C	O	I	M	X	E	B	R	I	G
L	D	R	E	I	R	A	N	I	B	K	S	I	I	R
H	U	M	M	N	O	S	K	C	U	R	L	E	Y	O
W	E	X	I	L	B	I	X	E	P	R	E	S	T	E
Y	G	A	R	N	Y	S	Z	V	A	R	T	L	Q	G
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| 3. _____  | 4. _____  |
| 5. _____  | 6. _____  |
| 7. _____  | 8. _____  |
| 9. _____  | 10. _____ |
| 11. _____ | 12. _____ |



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**Worksheet Twenty-five**

This worksheet accompanies slide 2 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**Plot summary (Section Four)**

Complete the summary by filling in the blanks.

\_\_\_\_\_ is alone in his room when \_\_\_\_\_ wanders in. Most of the other men, including George, have gone into Soledad for the \_\_\_\_\_. Envious of George and Lennie's \_\_\_\_\_, Crooks \_\_\_\_\_ Lennie with the suggestion that George may \_\_\_\_\_ come back. Lennie is frightened and angry. Crooks \_\_\_\_\_ down and speaks of his own isolation and \_\_\_\_\_.

Candy arrives, and the men discuss George, Lennie and Candy's plans for the \_\_\_\_\_. At first Crooks is \_\_\_\_\_, but at last he asks if he can come and \_\_\_\_\_ for them in \_\_\_\_\_ for his bed and board. Then Curley's wife comes in. Her husband has gone into town, leaving her \_\_\_\_\_ with nobody to \_\_\_\_\_ to. Crooks and \_\_\_\_\_ ask her to leave. She \_\_\_\_\_ all three men and \_\_\_\_\_ Crooks before departing.

The \_\_\_\_\_ men come back from town. Crooks, \_\_\_\_\_ and demoralized, tells Candy to forget about his request to \_\_\_\_\_ them on the farm.

never      threatens      friendship      Crooks      loneliness      alone      join  
work      taunts      insults      farm      nastily      buck  
rabbits      other      Candy      repeatedly      backs      defeated      sceptical  
exchange      evening      talk      Lennie

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**Worksheet Twenty-six**

This worksheet accompanies slide 3 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**Vocabulary**

Match the words with their meanings.

liniment

Lasting forever

aloof

A lotion for rubbing on the body to relieve pain

contemptuous

Anxiety or fear

appraise

Given to deep thought or strong emotion

permanent

Scornful

apprehension

To assess the quality or value of a person or thing

intense

Distant and reserved

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**Worksheet Twenty-seven**

This worksheet accompanies slide 4 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**The harness room**

The fourth part of the novel takes place in the harness room where Crooks lives. Re-read the first two pages of the fourth section and find a quotation that shows that Crooks...

...is intelligent: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

...is a skilled worker: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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...has a low status: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

...is segregated from the other men: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Twenty-eight**

This worksheet accompanies slide 5 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**Crooks**

Fill in this character study for Crooks.

Appearance: Large, soft eyes / Deep-set eyes / Small, sharp eyes

Thin-lipped / Wide-mouthed / Thick-lipped

Crooked spine / Wears calipers / Uses crutches

Job: Driving the mule teams / Working in the stables / Doing odd jobs

Personality: Violent / Friendly / Proud

Generous / Academic / Bitter

\_\_\_\_\_

Quotation(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Twenty-nine**

This worksheet accompanies slide 9 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**Segregation**

Brainstorm everything you know about segregation in 1930s America.



**Segregation**

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**Worksheet Thirty**

This worksheet accompanies slide 13 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**Gender**

Brainstorm everything you know about women in the novel.



**Women in *Of Mice and Men***

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**Worksheet Thirty-one**

This worksheet accompanies slide 14 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**Theme: loneliness**

Fill in the table below. Add page references so that you can find the quotations again when you need them.

Page	Quotation	Spoken by...
	“There wasn’t another colored family for miles around. And now there ain’t a colored man on this ranch...”	
	“Had two brothers. They was always near me, always there.”	
	“Standin’ here talkin’ to a bunch of bindle stiffs... an’ likin’ it because they ain’t nobody else.”	
	“A guy goes nuts if he ain’t got nobody.”	
	“Think I like to stick in that house alla time?”	
	“Think I don’t like to talk to somebody ever’ once in a while?”	
	“Sat’iday night! Ever’body out doin’ sum’pin’. Ever’body! An’ what am I doin’?”	
	“It’s just the talking. It’s just bein’ with another guy.”	
	“I tell ya a guy gets too lonely an’ he gets sick.”	

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**Worksheet Thirty-two**

This worksheet accompanies slide 17 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Four.ppt*

**Marginalization**

For each of the following characters, write two or three sentences explaining why they are marginalized and what effect this has on their lives.

Crooks \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Lennie \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Candy \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Curley's wife \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**Worksheet Thirty-three**

This worksheet accompanies slide 2 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Plot summary (Section Five)**

Complete the summary by filling in the blanks.

Lennie is in the barn, stroking the dead body of his puppy, which he has \_\_\_\_\_ killed. Curley's wife comes in. She \_\_\_\_\_ in him about her unhappy marriage and her \_\_\_\_\_ of being an actress. She \_\_\_\_\_ him to stroke her hair, but when he becomes too heavy-handed she tells him to stop.

Lennie is \_\_\_\_\_. He holds on to Curley's wife. She screams and \_\_\_\_\_, and Lennie \_\_\_\_\_. He puts his hand over her mouth and nose and shakes her, \_\_\_\_\_ her neck. Then he realizes what he has done. Remembering George's instructions earlier in the \_\_\_\_\_, he runs off to hide in the brush by the river.

\_\_\_\_\_ comes into the barn and discovers the body. He calls \_\_\_\_\_, then the other men. They prepare to go after Lennie and \_\_\_\_\_ him. Carlson discovers that his \_\_\_\_\_ is missing, and assumes that \_\_\_\_\_ has taken it. Whit is sent into Soledad to fetch the \_\_\_\_\_.

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.

struggles      flirts      invites      accidentally      breaking      pistol      Curley  
George      frightened      watch      week      George      arrest  
day      punches      deputy      sheriff      panics      rifle  
Candy      kill      dream      Lennie      confides

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**Worksheet Thirty-four**

This worksheet accompanies slide 3 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Vocabulary**

Match the words with their meanings.

console

Confused

cautious

Extremely violent or cruel

confide

To wriggle

earnest

To trust someone with a secret

writhe

Careful; attentive to danger

bewildered

Serious and sincere

vicious

To comfort

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**Worksheet Thirty-five**

This worksheet accompanies slide 4 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Curley's wife: redeeming features?**

The male characters are uniformly hostile towards Curley's wife. However, this doesn't mean that her portrayal in the novel is necessarily unsympathetic.

Reread Curley's wife's conversation with Lennie, then find a quotation that suggests that she...

...is interested in other people: \_\_\_\_\_

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...engages with Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_

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...tries to comfort Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_

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...accepts Lennie as he is: \_\_\_\_\_

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...is the only character to be concerned about an animal's death: \_\_\_\_\_

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Can you think of any other good points to her character? If so, note them here: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Thirty-six**

This worksheet accompanies slide 5 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Thinking about Curley's wife**

Brainstorm everything you know about Curley's wife.



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**Worksheet Thirty-seven**

This worksheet accompanies slide 11 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Dreams**

Brainstorm everything you know about dreams in *Of Mice and Men*.



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**Worksheet Thirty-eight**

This worksheet accompanies slide 11 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Loneliness**

Brainstorm everything you know about loneliness in *Of Mice and Men*.



**Loneliness**

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**Worksheet Thirty-nine**

This worksheet accompanies slide 13 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Stylistic techniques**

Find an example from the fifth section of the novel of each of the following:

Alliteration: \_\_\_\_\_

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Simile: \_\_\_\_\_

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Structure: \_\_\_\_\_

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A cinematic effect: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Forty**

This worksheet accompanies slide 14 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Hotseat**

Answer from the perspective of each of the characters below.

How do you feel when you see the body of Curley's wife?

Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Candy: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

George: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Curley: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Slim: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Worksheet Forty-one**

This worksheet accompanies slide 14 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Hotseat**

Answer from the perspective of each of the characters below.

How do you feel when everybody sets out to shoot Lennie?

Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Candy: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

George: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Curley: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Slim: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**Worksheet Forty-two**

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**Hotseat**

Answer from the perspective of each of the characters below.

How do you feel about Lennie now?

Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Candy: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

George: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Curley: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Slim: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**Worksheet Forty-three**

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**Hotseat**

Answer from the perspective of each of the characters below.

How do you feel about George now?

Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Candy: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

George: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Curley: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Slim: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**Worksheet Forty-four**

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**Hotseat**

Answer from the perspective of each of the characters below.

How do you feel about Curley's wife now?

Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Candy: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

George: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Curley: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Slim: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**Worksheet Forty-five**

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**Hotseat**

Answer from the perspective of each of the characters below.

What do you think will happen next?

Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Candy: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

George: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Curley: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Slim: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**Worksheet Forty-six**

This worksheet accompanies slide 15 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Five.ppt*

**Themes**

Write two or three sentences explaining how the following relate to the themes of either loneliness or dreams.

Lennie: \_\_\_\_\_

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The dead puppy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Curley's wife: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet Forty-seven**

This worksheet accompanies slide 2 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Six.ppt*

**Plot summary (Section Six)**

Complete the summary by filling in the blanks.

The final section of the novel opens with a description of the river bank where Lennie comes to \_\_\_\_\_ and wait for \_\_\_\_\_.

Lennie drinks from the \_\_\_\_\_, then sits down with his knees drawn up to his chest. As he sits there he has two \_\_\_\_\_ – first of his \_\_\_\_\_, who \_\_\_\_\_ him for being a \_\_\_\_\_ to George, then of an enormous \_\_\_\_\_, who tells him that this time George is going to \_\_\_\_\_ him.

Then George arrives. He \_\_\_\_\_ Lennie and tells him one last time about the \_\_\_\_\_ they dream of owning \_\_\_\_\_. Then he \_\_\_\_\_ the other men approaching. He slips Carlson's \_\_\_\_\_ out of his pocket and \_\_\_\_\_ Lennie in the back of the head.

The other men run into the clearing. \_\_\_\_\_ gloats over Lennie's dead body, and \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ and insensitive. Only \_\_\_\_\_ understands what Lennie's \_\_\_\_\_ has cost George.

Clara      Carlson      visions      hide      burden      together      death  
            comforts      Aunt      Curley      rabbit      rifle      sees  
kill      crass      pistol      shoots      scolds      Slim      leave  
            farm      river      hears      George

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**Worksheet Forty-eight**

This worksheet accompanies slide 3 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Six.ppt*

**Vocabulary**

Match the words with their meanings.

gingham

Wild with fear

haunches

Hostile and aggressive

emphasis

To answer back sharply, angrily or cheekily

frantic

Flat and dull

monotonous

White checked cotton cloth

belligerent

The thighs and buttocks

retort

Stress placed on a word to show importance



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**Worksheet Forty-nine**

This worksheet accompanies slide 4 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Six.ppt*

**Structure**

The last section of the novel echoes the first. The setting is identical and many phrases, incidents and images are repeated. Find as many similarities as you can and enter them in the table below.

Section One	Section Six

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**Worksheet Fifty**

This worksheet accompanies slide 8 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Six.ppt*

**Tension**

The novel builds to its climax as George prepares to kill Lennie. Find four sentences that heighten the dramatic tension and enter them in the boxes below.


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**Worksheet Fifty-one**

This worksheet accompanies slide 13 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Six.ppt*

**Revision strategies**

How will *you* revise for the exam? Rate the following activities on a scale of 0 to 10 in ascending order of usefulness.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Usefulness</b>
Colour-code your notes	
Learn passages by heart	
Practise writing essays on key topics	
Memorize essays on key topics	
Make a themes chart	
Memorize location of key passages	
Learn key quotations for each character/theme	
Highlight key passages	
Research historical context on Internet	
Reread the novel several times	

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**Worksheet Fifty-two**

This worksheet accompanies slide 14 of *Of Mice and Men – Section Six.ppt*

**Got the plot?**

How much can you remember about the plot? Number the following events to show which order they occur in.

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.	

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**Worksheet Fifty-three**

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**Quiz**

1. What is the name of Slim's dog? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the name of Curley's wife? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is the name of the river? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What is the name of the nearest town? \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. What does Lennie like with beans? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What does Lennie like best? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Where did Lennie get into trouble? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What is Lennie often compared to? \_\_\_\_\_
  
9. In which part of the novel is Candy's dog shot? \_\_\_\_\_
10. In which part of the novel do we hear most about Crooks? \_\_\_\_\_
11. In which part of the novel does Lennie hide in the brush? \_\_\_\_\_
12. In which part of the novel does Curley's wife first meet George? \_\_\_\_\_
  
13. Who says, "Now what the hell ya suppose is eatin' them two guys?" \_\_\_\_\_
14. Who says, "I coulda made somethin' of myself"? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Who says, "You got no right to come in here"? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Who says, "Guys like us, that work on ranches, are the loneliest guys in the world"? \_\_\_\_\_

