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Of Mice and Men Chapter 2

Answer all of the following questions on a separate page or document IN COMPLETE SENTENCES, using proper spelling, grammar, and sentence construction.

- 1) What does the boss suspect when he first meets George and Lennie? (/1)
Why do you think he has these suspicions? (/2)
- 2) Who is Curley? (/1) How does he react to his first meeting with Lennie?
(/1) How do you explain his reaction? (/2)
- 3) George identifies two omens of trouble in chapter 2. Who are they? (/1)
What does George tell Lennie to do to avoid trouble? (/1) Why do they
simply not leave the ranch? (/2)
- 4) Slim is also introduced in this chapter. What is your first impression of
Slim? Give two or three specific details that help to create this
impression. (/4)
- 5) Why do you think the other characters are surprised when they learn that
George and Lennie are travelling together? (/2)
- 6) What is Carlson's chief complaint about Candy's dog? What does he think
Candy should do? (/1)
- 7) Based on your reading of the story so far, do you think Lennie will be
able to keep himself out of trouble? Explain your response. (/4)

Vocabulary

Give the meanings of the following words without using a dictionary. Try to figure out their meanings by finding them in the book and checking how they are used. Rewrite the sentence using a different word/phrase in place of the vocabulary term AND come up with your own sentence using each of the words below. Both parts must make sense.

- a) scowled (p. 21) (/2)
- b) pugnacious (p. 25) (/2)
- c) ominously (p. 27) (/2)
- d) contorted (p. 30) (/2)
- e) gravity (p. 33) (/2)