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***Of Mice & Men* – Chapter 3 Text Dependent Questions**

Answer the following questions to help you annotate the text.

1. What type of relationship is developing between George and Slim? (Annotate the specific evidence of their relationship.)

2. Why does Slim find George and Lennie's relationship unusual?

3. How did George and Lennie end up together?

4. Explain in detail what happened in Weed.

5. In what ways is Lennie like a child rather than like an adult? What indications are there that Lennie's condition could lead to a disaster?

6. Candy's dog is on trial for his life. Who play the roles of prosecutor, defender, and judge? (Annotate the evidence each side presents) Based on the verdict, what can be inferred about society's values?

7. Describe the atmosphere in the bunkhouse just before the shot rang out.

8. To where does Whit invite George? Why?

9. What does Whit reveal about Curley?

10. Why does Curley rush to the barn?

11. What proposition does Candy make to George? How does this solidify George and Lennie's dream?

12. What **diction** does Steinbeck use to depict the pleasure the men feel regarding the dream? Note some terms here (with page numbers), and *annotate all of them* on your text.

13. What card game does George play by himself in this chapter (and earlier in the novel)? Speculate on its symbolic significance. (HINT: The game is for how many players?)

14. Why does Candy say he "ought to" have shot the dog himself? How is the incident with the dog symbolic of Candy's life on the ranch?

15. In great detail, describe the action of the scene when Curley and Lennie fight. Who and what caused the fight?

16. What animal images are used during the fight? Note some terms here (with page numbers), and annotate all of them on your text.

17. How does Slim assume the role of the leader after the fight?
