*Of Mice and Men* Reading Questions

Chapters 3 – 4

**Chapter 3**

1. What can you assume that Slim has done?
2. What does George explain about why he and Lennie travel together?
3. What did George used to do to Lennie?
4. Why did he stop? What do you this is the purpose of him explaining this in the book?
5. What does George tell Slim, that he hadn’t planned on telling anyone?
6. What does Lennie do when he comes in?
7. What does George make him do?
8. Why do the men complain about Candy’s dog?
9. What does Carlson suggest he do?
10. What can you tell by Candy’s reaction to this suggestion?
11. Why are the men excited about the letter in the magazine they are reading?
12. What does Candy agree to do? Why do you think he does that?
13. Why are all the men acting uncomfortable during this scene?
14. What does the stable boy come in and tell Slim?
15. What does George predict about Curley’s wife?
16. Where does Whit recommend that George should go?
17. Why does Curley get upset when the men say that Slim is gone?
18. When does George say that Lennie can remember anything?
19. What does Candy suggest after George describes the future?
20. Why does George agree?
21. Why does Candy regret what happened to his dog? Why do you think he shares this with George?
22. Why does Curley attack Lennie?
23. What does George tell Lennie to do, and what does he do?
24. What does Curley agree to do?

**Chapter 4**

1. Why does Lennie go to Crook’s room?
2. What is Crook’s reaction?
3. Why do you think the dog lets Lennie bother the puppies all the time?
4. Why does Crook’s feel that he can talk to Lennie?
5. What does Crooks say to tease and upset Lennie?
6. Why does Lennie’s reaction ultimately frighten Crooks?
7. Why did Crooks do what he did? Do you feel sorry for him, or think he is bad? Why?
8. Why is Crooks pleased when Candy comes in also?
9. What does Crooks offer when he really believes that the men are serious about their plan?
10. What does Curley’s wife ask about?
11. What does Candy tell Curley’s wife when he gets angry?
12. What does she ask about Lennie?
13. What does she threaten Crooks with?
14. What does Crooks say as the men are leaving his room? DO you believe this is the truth? Why or why not?