*Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck

Chapter Five Questions

**READING COMPREHENSION**

1. How have Curley’s wife’s dreams for her life changed or been lost?
2. Why does Curley’s wife tell Lennie about “the letter”? What do you think the letter symbolizes? Is it possible that the truth behind the letter is different from what Curley’s wife believes?
3. How does Lennie’s killing of the puppy parallel his killing of Curley’s wife?
4. How does Candy react to the death of Curley’s wife? What options do George and Candy discuss after the discovery of the body?

**CENTRAL THEMES AND ISSUES**

* **Properly reference ALL quotes: (Author Last Name, Page Number); for example:** “A few miles south of Soledad, the Salinas River drops in close to the hillside bank and runs deep and green” (Steinbeck 1).
* **Make sure you explain WHY you chose the quote and HOW it shows the central theme or issue**.

Find one example, in this chapter, of how the author describes and shows…

**HOW THE CHARACTERS FEEL OR DEAL WITH LONELINESS.**

Supporting Quote plus Reference:

Explanation of Quote:

Find one example, in this chapter, of how the author describes and shows…

**HOW THE CHARACTERS STRIVE FOR THE AMERICAN DREAM.**

Supporting Quote plus Reference:

Explanation of Quote:

Find one example, in this chapter, of how the author describes and shows…

**HOW THE CHARACTERS NEED OR DISPLAY FRIENDSHIP.**

Supporting Quote plus Reference:

Explanation of Quote: