**Of Mice and Men Chapter 3**  Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Per.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| **Context for the Scene** | **Quoted Passage with a Citation** | **What it Reveals** | **Theme it Hints At** |
| In the beginning of chapter 3, George and Slim are talking to each other in the bunkhouse; Slim is curious as to why George and Lennie travel together; he wonders if Lennie is “cuckoo.” George says he’s not crazy, just not too smart.  |  “I ain't so bright neither, or I wouldn't be buckin' barley for my fifty and found. If I was bright, if I was even a little bit smart, I'd have my own little place, an' I'd be bringin' in my own crops, 'stead of doin' all the work and not getting what comes up outa the ground" (Steinbeck 39).  | This indirectly shows that George kind of beats himself up for not being a more successful person. It also shows that he has a dream of someday owning his own farm and being more self reliant. | This points to one aspect of the “American Dream” where if people work hard they will make their dreams of **success** a reality. In his case, it’s the dream of owning a house and some land. |
|  | Slim sat in silence for a moment. "Didn't hurt the girl none, huh?" he asked finally. "Hell, no. He just scared her. I'd be scared too if he grabbed me. But he never hurt her. He jus' wanted to touch that red dress, like he wants to pet them pups all the time" (Steinbeck 42). |  |  |
|  |  | Carlson wants to shoot Candy’s old dog because it’s old and smelly. Candy doesn’t want him to kill his only real companion that he’s raised since it was a pup. Indirectly it reveals Candy to be sentimental and also a little lonely. |  |
|  |  |  | Candy wants to join forces with George and Lennie because it will help each them achieve their dream of being free of abusive bosses and crushing poverty. By **cooperating** with each other, they can achieve more than they can independently. |
| By the end of the chapter, Curley and Lennie get into a fight as the little man wants to show his “power” on the farm by picking on the new guy. George tells Lennie to defend himself against Curley’s attack. |  |  |  |