Instructions

1. Cut up the cards and hand out one to each student.
2. Start off by asking ‘Who shot Candy’s dog?’.
3. The student who thinks they have the right answer card should call out their answer. If this is agreed on, they then read aloud their question, and this continues until all the questions have been asked and answered.

Who shot Candy’s dog?

**Carlson.**

Name two features that define Curley’s wife?

**Red nails and ostrich feathers in her shoes.**

What disability does Candy have?

**He only has one hand.**

Why was the boss sore as hell when Lennie and George arrived at the ranch?

**Because they were a whole day late.**

Why does George tell Lennie to hide in the brush?

**In case he does something wrong.**

What did Lennie do wrong in Weed?

**He held on to a girl’s dress.**

What does George call Lennie at the start of the novella?

**A poor bastard.**

Why would we feel sympathy for Lennie?

**Because he has learning problems and is portrayed as childlike.**

What is the men’s dream?

**To have independence, own their own place and work off their own land.**

Which two people are going to ruin the men’s chances of achieving their dream?

**Curley and his wife.**

Why does Lennie crush Curley’s hand?
Because he is scared and has no idea of his own strength.
What simile is used to describe Curley’s hand when it has been broken?

Flopping like a fish.
What does Slim tell Curley to say after his hand has been broken?

To tell everyone that his hand got caught in a machine.
What is it about Slim that invites George to tell him all his secrets?

Slim is like a priest. He is a good listener and has ‘God-like eyes’.
Name two features of the bunk house.

It is rectangular and has white washed walls.
Why does George tell the Boss that Lennie was kicked in the head by a horse?

Because it is easier than explaining why he is really with him.
How does George see Lennie?

As a burden, a liability but also as a brother who he loves.
What is symbolic about the shooting of Candy’s dog?

It foreshadows the death of Lennie and Curley’s wife.
Name three things the men say about Curley’s wife.

She’s ‘jail bait’, a ‘looloo’ and has ‘got the eye’.
What does George tell Slim is the reason why he and Lennie go around together?

He says it’s a lot nicer to go around with a guy you know.
What do Candy, George, Curley’s wife and Lennie have in common?

They are all isolated from society and have something dragging them down.
Why do you think Steinbeck wrote this novella?

He wanted to pass comment on the fragility of the American Dream.
What is Candy’s reaction to the noise of his dog being shot?

He turns and faces the wall whilst lying alone on his bunk.
Name three ways that the men pass their spare time.

Playing cards, visiting whore houses and playing peg.