



***Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck • Sketching a Portrait--Character Traits**

Directions: Steinbeck gives enough clues about George and Lennie that readers begin to associate certain character traits with the two men. Decide which trait in each pair best describes the character in question and circle your choice. Then find two examples from Chapter 1 to support your choice. Give the page numbers where you found your examples.

**George**

1. practical / impractical

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_

2. inattentive / perceptive

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_

3. quick-tempered / easygoing

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_

4. kind / cruel

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_

**Lennie**

1. mature / childlike

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_

2. emotional / unemotional

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_

3. shrewd / simple

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_

4. eager / reluctant

First Example: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Example: \_\_\_\_\_