*Of Mice and Men* – Discussion Questions – Chapter Two Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. In this chapter, Steinbeck again begins with a description of the setting. Explain how this description is different from the one at the beginning of the first chapter. What does this description tell us about George and Lennie’s life?

2. Candy is prominent in this chapter. What purposes does he serve? Find evidence in the text to prove your ideas.

3. Explain the foreshadowing in the following lines from the novel:

“Lennie cried out suddenly—‘I don’ like this place, George. This ain’t no good place. I wanna get outa here.’ ”

4. Throughout the chapter, Lennie and George are questioned three times about traveling together. Describe the three different encounters and what we learn about the characters through their responses to George’s answer.

5. Throughout the chapter, the reader is introduced to the majority of the characters who will play a role in Of Mice and Men. How are the characters connected to one another? What can we learn about migrant workers during the Great Depression through the narration of this chapter?

6. Compare and contrast Slim and Carlson.