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Eng. Foundations III—Silver *Of Mice and Men*: Ch. 1 (1-16)

Vocabulary

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| 1. **Dialect**:
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| 1. **The Great Depression**:
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| 1. **Migrant laborer**:
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| 1. **Derogatory**:
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| 1. **Brush** (1): bushes, small trees, and other plants
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| 1. **Bindle** (3): a bundle carried on one’s back, usually just containing a rolled up blanket

and some clothing |
| 1. **Stake** (13): money **Work up a stake**: earn and save money

 **Blow their stake**: waste their savings |
| 1. **Live off the fatta the lan’** (14): Live off the fat of the land
* An expression that refers to having the best of everything and surviving and

prospering by relying solely on what you can grow from the land |

*Directions: Answer the following questions using as much detail as possible.* ***Include page numbers indicating where you found the information.***

1. Identify and give a physical description of Lennie and George.

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| **George** | **Lennie** |
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1. What is in Lennie's pocket? Why does he have it?
2. What kind of work will George and Lennie be doing at their new jobs?
3. George bursts into a long speech about what he could do if he were alone. What could he do?
4. What instructions does George give Lennie about meeting the boss at the ranch?
5. What have you learned so far about a place called Weed?
6. According to George, how are he and Lennie different from the other “guys like us, that work on ranches” (13)?
7. Describe George and Lennie’s plan/dream for the future.
8. If Lennie gets into trouble on the ranch, where is he supposed to go?
9. How would you describe Lennie? What does he do and say that gives you this impression of him?