

What does the  
description of the  
**setting** of Crooks'  
room **reveal** about  
its occupant?

**Interpret** why

Crooks taunts Lennie  
and tries to make him  
believe that George  
is going to get hurt  
and leave him.

How do Crooks' words to Lennie about **loneliness** reinforce this **theme** of the novel?

What do all the people who came into Crooks' room have in **common**? Which one of them do you think is the most unfortunate? Explain your answer.

**Criticize** Curley's wife  
and what she's doing  
to the ranch hands. Is  
she trying to purposely  
cause trouble or is  
she just bored?