## ESL Book Club 2022 - Book 5 Discussion Questions

## Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

Discussion Date/Time: June 3, 2022 at 10:30 am - 12 pm

- 1. What is the meaning of the book's title?
- 2. List words that describe Lennie and list words that describe George.
- 3. Why does George "take so much trouble for another guy" (p. 21)?
- 4. What things does Lennie do and say that make him like a child?
- 5. Why does George shoot Lennie?
- 6. Why is the dream recited repeatedly?
- 7. What does Slim mean when he says, "A guy got to sometimes" (p. 102)?
- 8. Why does the book begin and end at the pond?
- 9. Why does Candy feel he should have shot his dog himself?
- 10. Is Curley's wife to blame for Lennie's death?
- 11. Why doesn't Slim share in the other men's dreams?
- 12. Why does Carlson get the last word?
- 13. Did migrant workers have any options for a better life?
- 14. Did George do the right thing by shooting Lennie?
- 15. Do you think people like Lennie are better off institutionalized?