

### Of Mice and Men WebQuest Scoring Rubric

<b>Contribution</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Score</b>
Research & Gather Information	Collects information beyond the basics - all relates to the topic	Collects basic information - most relates to topic	Collects minimal information or some relates to topic	Does not collect information on assigned topic.	
Shares Information	Relays a great deal of information to group members on topic	Relays basic information to group members on topic	Relays very little information to group members on topic	Does not share information found	
Time Management	All assignments completed on time; on task	Mostly on task and completed on time.	Has to be redirected, but completes task.	Off task, has to be redirected several times; or work is late	
<b>Takes Responsibility</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Score</b>
Fulfill Assigned Job	Performs duties of assigned job	Performs nearly all duties of assigned job	Completes little of duties associated with assigned job	Does not perform the duties of assigned job	
Participated in Presentation	Contributes extensively to presentation - relevant information	Contributes some to presentation - relevant information	Contributes little to presentation - irrelevant information	Does not contribute	
Preparation & Organization	Prepares to speak to the class prior to presentation (i.e. - notecards, practice)	Generally prepared for presentation but requires more organization	Minimally prepared; slightly unorganized	Not prepared or muddles through presentation	
<b>Quality of Presentation</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Score</b>
Mastery of Material	Exhibited great deal of understanding of key questions as they relate to the novel	Exhibited basic understanding of key questions as they relate to the novel	Exhibited some understanding of key questions	Did not exhibit understanding of key questions	
Attention to Detail & Creativity	Presentation was neat, well organized and showed extensive creativity (no "white space" on poster)	Presentation was neat and well organized	Presentation was neat but not well organized	Presentation was messy and difficult to follow	
Visual Aids	Graphics are relevant and help to understand information clearly	Most graphics help to understand information clearly	Some graphics relate to key questions	Graphics/visual aids do not relate	

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Members:

Sociologist \_\_\_\_\_

Biographer \_\_\_\_\_

Geographer \_\_\_\_\_

Psychiatrist \_\_\_\_\_

**SHORT ESSAY (to be completed individually)**

The objective of this WebQuest is to identify the background issues that led to Steinbeck's writing of a novella about profound friendship and social issues. The essential questions will help to guide you toward an appropriate response. You must consider **ALL** information gathered by each researcher in order to write your essay.

Essential Questions: What was it like to live in the time period in which the novel *Of Mice and Men* was written? What social issues (poverty, discrimination, etc.) impacted Americans' lives in the 1930's? What were Steinbeck's goals in writing the novel based on his philosophy?

	4	3	2	1	Score
<b>Focus</b>	Stayed on topic throughout the essay.	Mostly stays on topic.	Strays from the assigned topic.	Does not stay on topic	X 3
<b>Content</b>	Provides a minimum of two examples with a well-detailed explanation.	Provides two examples but does not give well-detail explanations.	Provides one example with well-detailed explanations.	Provides one examples without well-detailed explanations.	X 6
<b>Organization</b>	Three-Five paragraph structure with topic sentences and transitions/concluding sentences.	Three-Five paragraph structure with topic sentences but no transition/concluding sentences.	Three- Five paragraph structure with vague topic sentences.	Less than Three paragraphs.	X 5
<b>Grammar</b>	Has less than 4 grammatical mistakes.	Has between 5-8 grammatical mistakes.	Has 8-12 grammatical mistakes.	Has more than 12 grammatical mistakes.	X 5
<b>Style</b>	Style uses a variety of sentences structures and shows appropriate word choice.	Some sentence structure and word choice but is a bit below level.	Has good sentence structure or word choice but not both.	Limited sentence structure and word choice.	X 3
<b>Writing Process</b>	Completes the entire writing process.	Misses one step of the writing process.	Misses two steps of the writing process.	Misses two or more steps of the writing process.	X 3

