Y10 OMAM 8th January 2021

1. Read the first paragraph in the extract. How does Steinbeck strike an immediate contrast between the two characters? In particular, find words within each description that are direct ‘opposites’ to each other.

2. George and Lennie take very different approaches to drinking the water. What does each man’s approach say about his character?

3. What do George’s first words to Lennie tell us about the relationship between the two men?

4. There are three places in the extract where Lennie is compared to an animal. Find them, explaining how this gives us a stronger idea of Lennie’s physical presence in the novel.

5. What other examples of imagery (metaphors and similes) can you find in the extract? How do they give us a clearer picture of the two men and their environment?