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## Trouble on the Ranch: Scene 2 of 'Of Mice and Men'

### Short Answer Key

1. The boss initially questions their late arrival and seems skeptical of their story. He suspects that George might be taking advantage of Lennie.
2. Candy lost one of his hands in a ranch accident. He appears to be friendly and eager to connect with others, as evidenced by his openness in talking to George and Lennie.
3. Slim is a skilled mule driver and is respected on the ranch. Carlson owns a gun and is known for his aggressive attitude.
4. Curley dislikes Lennie because of his size and strength, which threaten Curley's ego. George advises Lennie to stay away from Curley to avoid getting into trouble.
5. George's warning to Lennie is important because it foreshadows potential conflicts and establishes the theme of protecting each other in a harsh environment.

