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Challenges and Consequences: Scenes 4 and 5 of 'Of Mice and Men'

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Analyze the character of Curley and his behavior in Scene 4. How does his jealousy and aggression affect the dynamics among the ranch workers?
2. Explore the symbolism of the barn in "Of Mice and Men" and its role as the setting for the tragic events in Scene 5. How does the barn reflect the themes of the story?
3. Discuss the moral dilemmas faced by George in the aftermath of the events in Scene 5. How do his choices impact the story's outcome, and what does this reveal about his character?
4. Reflect on the theme of fate in "Of Mice and Men." Do you believe the tragic events in Scenes 4 and 5 were inevitable, or could they have been prevented?

