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Book Review

*Of Mice and Men* is a novella written by Nobel Prize winning author John Steinbeck. Published in 1937, the novel tells the tragic story of George and Lennie, who are as different as can be, but together, they are the only family each other has. Steinbeck reveals several central ideas and themes throughout the novel including friendships, hardships, dreams, survival, and violence. George and Lennie struggle to achieve happiness by working in the fields to raise enough money to accomplish their dream. Their plan is to own their own land someday. The novel relates to our society in today's world. It shows the struggle of how people work to get by and survive the hardships in their lives. It also shows that everyone has dreams for the future, sometimes they come true and other times there is disappointment. *Of Mice and Men* is definitely a book worth reading, suitable and recommended for teens or adults. *Of Mice and Men* is a thrilling, and gripping tale that leads to tragedy. A book that you will not set down until it is finished.