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1. What is naturalism in literature and in what ways is *Of Mice and Men* a work of naturalism?

2. What is Social Darwinism and how does it relate to the milieu of *Of Mice and Men*?

3. What is the Great Depression and how does it relate to the novel?

4. What does the title refer to?

5. Steinbeck makes frequent use of foreshadowing in the novel. Please discuss one of them in detail.