

Aim: Why would Steinbeck present such a pessimistic view on "The American Dream?"

Quick Write:

Nov. 5th

- \* What's one dream of yours that's likely to be impossible?
- \* What's a dream of yours that is possible and will happen?
- \* Do you think Lennie + George's dream ever had a shot? \* why? why not?



4. What do you believe is the most important word in the poem? Why?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. When Langston Hughes first wrote this poem in 1926, he entitled it "Harlem," which was his neighborhood.

Why would this title have fit for him at the time?

6. How can we relate this poem to Of Mice and Men?

**Langston Hughes** (February 1, 1902 – May 22, 1967) was an American poet, social activist, novelist, playwright, and columnist. He was one of the earliest innovators of the then-new literary art form **jazz poetry**. Hughes is best known for his work during the **Harlem Renaissance**. Before moving to Harlem, Hughes faced trouble fitting in, as he was the child of mixed race. He famously wrote about the period that "the negro was in vogue" which was later paraphrased as "when Harlem was in vogue".



