

- 1 Cite strong and thorough textual
- 1 evidence to support analysis of
- what the text says explicitly as
- 1 well as inferences drawn from the
- 2 text, including determining where
- . the text leaves matters uncertain.
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Objective for the day:

Objective #1: 25 minutes

Reading Quiz: “Sweetheart of the Song Tra Bong.”

Read the example of a well written analysis paragraph from *Of Mice and Men* that includes two citations from the text as evidence.

Address the quiz question (handout) by writing a well written analysis paragraph of your own. Turn your paragraph in by the end of the period.

Example Question: Write a paragraph the shows how Steinbeck uses a character to express his ideas about loneliness in, *Of Mice and Men*.

Example: Analysis paragraph with two citations as evidence.

The handicapped stable buck Crooks is an African American that is made into a “crooked personality” because he is rejected by society and everyone around him. Crooks says, “A guy needs somebody-to be near him. A guy goes nuts if he ain’t got nobody... I tell ya a guy gets too lonely an’

he gets sick” (80). This is a perfect example showing that complete solitude will make you sick. Without being able to fit in just because his skin isn’t white really tears at him to where he doesn’t want any companionship at all. He was telling Lennie, “S’pose you didn’t have nobody. S’pose you couldn’t go into the bunk house and play rummy ‘cause you was black.” (80). All of the other men on the ranch wouldn’t even let him go inside of their house because he was African American. This made Crooks not even try to get any friends because he didn’t want to risk getting hurt by anyone-- he knew that he would be living the rest of his life alone. Being accepted in society is very important for “normal life,” and Steinbeck uses the character of Crooks to show how loneliness warps a person by making them angry and resentful.