Writing a book review
Of Mice and Men

What do other people think of this novel? Do they think the events are realistic? Do they think that Steinbeck is a good author? Information like this is often included in a book review, whether the review is published in a magazine, newspaper, or on-line. Many people read these reviews before they devote their time to reading a particular book.

**TASK:** For this project, you will read two simplistic examples of a book review on the novel, Of Mice and Men and then you will write your very own review. Your review should reflect your opinion of the book, along with presenting specific reasons why you feel that way.

**PROCEDURE:**
- Read the two book reviews as a class and discuss their effectiveness (or not).
- Read How To Write a Book Review worksheet and discuss the specific elements of a book review.
- Write your very own book review.

**THINGS TO REMEMBER:**
- Structure your review logically.
- Support your assertions that this was a great (or poor) novel.
- Clarify and defend your positions with precise and relevant evidence— including expert opinions.

**BOOK REVIEW:**
- Your book review should contain five parts: title, introduction, thesis, body, and conclusion. Yours should be modeled after the model presented on the How to Write a Book Review worksheet.
- Needs to be typed, 12 font, Times New Roman.