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Of Mice and Men

Textual Evidence of Curley's Wife

Directions: As we read Of Mice and Men make note of each scene that references Curley's Wife. What does Steinbeck want the reader to think about her? Write quote – *with a page number* – and the background of what is happening during the quote. Then explain what the quote shows about Curley's Wife.

Background <i>What is happening in the book?</i>	Page	Quotation	Analysis <i>What does the reader think about Curley's Wife?</i>
Candy tells George about Curley's Wife.	28	"I seen her give Slim the eye. Curley never seen it. An' I seen her give Carlson the eye."	Curley's wife is introduced as a pretty but promiscuous woman. The reader isn't supposed to like her.
Lennie is looking at Curley's wife in the door frame.	31	She smiled archly and twitched her body. "Nobody can't blame a person for lookin'," she said.	

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Curley's wife is never given a name or called anything but "Curley's wife" by other characters.	-----	"Curley's wife"	