

## **Film Summary**

The novella, which takes place during the Great Depression, begins beside the Salinas River near Soledad, California, where two migrant workers George and Lennie are on their way to find work on a nearby ranch. Companions since childhood the protagonist of the story, George, small, slim and quick, takes care of his mentally impaired gentle giant of a friend, Lennie, who often lands them in trouble because of his penchant (liking) for soft things.

Fleeing from an unfortunate incident in Weed, the two friends seek casual work on a ranch, where they meet a group of varied personalities including aggressive, cocky Curly, passive dependent Candy, contemptuous and defensive Crooks, respected Slim and Curly's scornful and lonely wife.

Never giving up on their dream of owning their own place, the two companions settle in to the tough life of ranch hands. Events once again take an inevitable, unfortunate turn and the ending leaves the reader with plenty of scope for reflection......

**Classification: PG** 

**Durationion: 110 minutes** 

Directed by: Gary Sinise, 1992