GoW Chapters 10-14

Vocab

Chapter 10

Mooned

Pilgrimage

Roiled

Assailed

Fatuously

Complacent

Lucent

Luminous

Stereopticon

Delicacy

Splayed

Relinquished

Eminent

Revulsion

taut

**Chapter 11**

Contemptuous

**Chapter 12**

Tributary

**Chapter 13**

Listlessly

beholden

**Questions**

Chapter 10

What is Tom’s advice to his mother in the beginning of chapter 10? (2nd or 3rd page)

What is Ma’s dream about California? What does she envision life being like? What does Tom say that contradicts her thoughts?

What does the truck represent or symbolize?

What was odd about Casey’s insistence that he salt the meat?

Why does Ma put her box of treasures on the fire? Do you think it was because there was no room for it on the trip? What does that say about her? What is her attitude for their future?

At the end of the chapter, the very last sentence, Steinbeck mentions the cotton fields that line the fields. What is significant about this last passage?

Chapter 11

How are the tractors described? What literary elements or figurative language is used?

The last line in the chapter mentions ragged curtains fluttering in the broken windows. What imagery does this passage suggest?

Chapter 12

There are numerous cities and mileages listed. Why did Steinbeck include this information?

On p119 a paragraph begins… “Listen to the motor. Listen to the wheels….” What rhetorical device does Steinbeck use here? Why?

Read the last paragraph on p119 to the end of the 6th paragraph on p120 (halfway down). Describe Steinbeck’s style. Why does he do this?

Analyze the passage on p120, beginning with, “Well, California’s a big State., to the end of the next paragraph.

On p121, what do they say business is? How is business characterized?

What is courage? Faith?

Chapter 13

Read Ma’s philosophy (p124). How does yours differ? How is it the same? Is Ma a static or dynamic character?

On p126, the Joad family meets a repair man. What is his initial attitude toward them? Have people (overall) changed since this time period? Does the description of society remain the same for today? Why, or why not?

Further down p126, 2nd to last paragraph, it says, “They don’t stop no place like this. Most folks stops here ain’t got nothin’” Explain this passage. What truths are present in today’s society?

Discuss the passage at the bottom of p127 (it ends on p128, at the end of the 1st paragraph). What is Casy’s philosophy about life?

How does the dog’s fate foreshadow the Joad family’s lives? P130

How are Casy’s words about grandpa and the old place comparable? P146

Why does everyone have great expectations for life in California?

Chapter 14

What rhetorical devices are used in the first section of text in the chapter (p150, 151)?

Explain the purpose of a tractor – what does it do (2 things)?

Why is there an emphasis on ‘we’ versus ‘I’?

What is the larger meaning of the 2nd paragraph on page 152 (Paine, Marx, etc)?

Analyze the meaning and purpose of the last 2 paragraphs (p152).