**How to Structure your Answer to Of Mice and Men**

**Part a**

***Focus on the passage.***

***Read the question carefully – it will ask you how something is presented or used in the extract.***

**Write about**

* Language
* Structure
* Setting

**Remember**

* Clear points
* Short quotations
* Specific Techniques
* Detailed analysis – write a lot about a little
* QWERTY

**Part b**

***Focus on the whole text and context***

***Read the question carefully – it will ask you how Steinbeck presents something AT THE TIME the book is set.***

**It could be**

* Attitudes to women
* Racism or prejudice
* Old age and disability
* The ranch workers
* The American Dream

You need to link the ideas in the extract to the ideas in the rest of the novel. Remember, this is the second part of a question, not a question on its own. You should **continue**.

**Write about**

* Language and context
* Structure and context
* Setting and context