Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck • Compare/Contrast the Movie to the Book

Directions: Complete the following activities.

1. COMPARE: List three things that you think the movie portrayed accurately (in other words, list three scenes in the movie that you think were very close to what you read in the book.)

2. CONTRAST: List three things that you think were different in the movie than in the book.

3. Choose one of the things that you listed above, and describe it in detail for someone who may not have seen the movie or may be unfamiliar with the book.

4. In your opinion, why do you think the director of the movie decided to portray the scene that you described in Question #3 in the way that he did? What kinds of decisions did he have to make in order for that scene to express what he wanted to express to the audience—an audience that may or may not have read the book?