

GREAT DEPRESSION WEBQUEST

Directions: Complete the following questions using the website listed below.

<http://www.history.com/topics/great-depression>



1. During what years did the Great Depression occur?
2. Explain what was occurring related to consumer spending and stock prices in the summer of 1929.

3. On October 24, 1929, _____, as investors began dumping shares en masse. A record 12.9 million shares were traded that day, known as "_____." Five days later, on "_____" some 16 million shares were traded after another wave of panic swept Wall Street. _____

4. Explain what happened after the stock market crash of 1929.

5. What helped to spread the economic crisis of the Great Depression from the United States to the rest of the world?

6. Who was the United States President in the early years of the Great Depression?

7. How many Americans could not find work in 1930? 1931?

8. How did the Great Depression affect the United States' industrial production?

9. _____
became more and more common in America's towns and cities. Farmers (who had been struggling with their own economic depression for much of the 1920s due to drought and falling food prices) couldn't afford to

10. What began in the fall of 1930?

11. Explain what is meant by a "bank run" and how it would have impacted the United States during the Great Depression.

12. How did President Hoover try to help banks during the crisis?

13. What percentage of Americans were unemployed in 1932?

14. Who became President after Hoover?

15. Explain how Hoover and Roosevelt differed in their views of the government's role in the economy.

16. How did Roosevelt make Americans feel about the crisis of the Great Depression?

17. Roosevelt took immediate action to address the country's economic woes, first announcing _____
_____. He also began addressing the public directly over the radio in a series of talks, and these so-called "_____" went a long way towards restoring public confidence.

18. What did Roosevelt's administration do in the first 100 days?

19. What was the Tennessee Valley Authority?

20. Explain how the hardships of the Great Depression fueled extremist political movements.

21. What ultimately caused American industrial production to increase?

22. What is the legacy of the Great Depression?