

The Great Depression Begins

Chapter Review



MAIN IDEAS

1. The stock market crash revealed weaknesses in the American economy and helped trigger a spreading economic crisis.
2. The Great Depression and the natural disaster known as the Dust Bowl produced economic suffering on a scale the nation had never seen before.
3. Herbert Hoover came to office with a clear philosophy of government, but the events of the Great Depression overwhelmed his responses.

REVIEWING VOCABULARY, TERMS, AND PEOPLE

Read each of the following descriptions, and write who or what is speaking in the space provided.

1. "Dust from me was sometimes carried as far as the Atlantic Coast. What am I?"

2. "I believed that the best way to deal with the Great Depression was not to provide direct government aid, but to find ways to help people help themselves. Who am I?"

3. "I tried to slow the practice of borrowing money from banks to invest in the stock market, but my policies were not enough to prevent a crash. What am I?"

4. "President Hoover regarded me as a good example of the power of partnerships between private business and the federal government. What am I?"

5. "I became famous as the worst day of the stock market crash of 1929. What am I?"

6. "I was supposed to make American goods cheaper than foreign imports, but I led to a severe decrease in international trade when Europeans responded to me with tariffs of their own. What am I?"

7. "My songs explored the plight of migrants fleeing the Dust Bowl. Who am I?"

8. "I am all the goods and services produced in a nation. What am I?"

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COMPREHENSION AND CRITICAL THINKING

Read each sentence below and fill in the blank with the best choice from the pair provided.

1. Herbert Hoover's faith in _____ made him reluctant to have the federal government directly help people during the Great Depression.
(rugged individualism/the Bonus Army)
2. Many so-called _____ hopped trains, traveling the country looking for work. **(shanties/hoboes)**
3. A _____ contributed to the creation of the Dust Bowl.
(cooperative/drought)
4. The difficult economic times of the Great Depression forced many people to live in crude shacks in _____. **(Hoovervilles/the Federal Reserve)**
5. President Hoover's vision of a voluntary partnership between business and government was called the _____ state.
(cooperative/associative)

REVIEWING THEMES

In the space provided, explain how each term relates to the theme listed below.

Theme: economics

1. buying on margin _____

2. Black Tuesday _____

3. Great Depression _____
