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GREAT DEPRESSION & NEW DEAL

Study Guide Notes

The Great Depression	A period of high unemployment and lack of confidence in banks. It began with the Stock Market Crash of 1929. During this time, many Americans were unable to support themselves.
The New Deal	Social programs developed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to help the economy out of the Great Depression.
Civilian Conservation Corps	Established in 1933 to employ young men. They preserved natural resources, which included: digging canals, restoring historic battlefields, building wildlife shelters, and establishing parks.
Works Progress Administration	Established in 1935 to provide jobs. They built roads and public buildings.
Tennessee Valley Authority	Established in 1933 to refresh the Tennessee River Valley. They supported farmers by researching farming practices and by creating networks of dams and power plants to supply electricity.
Dust Bowl	Huge dust storms during the 1930s caused by drought & soil erosion. This destroyed many farmers financially.
Soup Kitchens	Soup kitchens fed millions of Americans during the Depression. The first soup kitchens were funded by wealthy individuals and businesses that survived the crash.
Franklin D. Roosevelt	President of the U.S. after the Great Depression. He helped America recover from the Great Depression through his government programs under the "New Deal". He was also president during most of WWII.
Herbert Hoover	President of the U.S. during the Great Depression. Many Americans blamed for not helping. At first, he was opposed to government stepping in during the Great Depression, but he later offered government assistance.
Jesse Owens	An African American athlete who took home 4 gold medals in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin.
Margaret Mitchell	Author of <i>Gone with the Wind</i> in 1936
Duke Ellington	Popular musician who played nation-wide with his orchestra. He played jazz, blues, and swing music