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ROOTS OF THE GREAT DEPRESSION

How did the Great Depression affect the American people/economy and how did the government respond?:

How did actions during Roaring 20's influence the Great Depression?

Important Industries

Speculation

Uneven Distribution of Income

Buying on the Margin

Living on Credit

Hoover: 1928

Instructions → From the essay, *The Great Depression: An Overview*, read the sections “*What Caused the Great Depression?*”. Then answer the following questions:

1. What event is often the first to come to mind when people think of the Great Depression?
2. What did happen as a result of the stock market crash?
3. Was the crash big enough to cause the Great Depression?
4. What specific trade policies do some economists suggest were the cause of the Great Depression?
5. Were protectionist trade policies alone enough to cause the Great Depression?
6. What were some of the excesses of the 1920s that some economic historians suggest caused the Great Depression?
7. What is the one explanation for the Great Depression that has stood the test of time?
8. What happens if the money supply (stock) shrinks?

FACTORS THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE GREAT DEPRESSION

	Event, Policy, or Condition	Resulting Condition or Problem
1-		
2-		
3-		
4-		
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