

The Great Depression in Pictures Worksheet

Directions: Work with your group to design an electronic presentation according to the following guidelines:

- **Titles:** Your slide show should have a title slide that includes the title and the names of your group members who produced it.
- **Number of slides:** 7 to 10 slides (Note: You may discover that it is hard to choose which pictures to include.)
- **Subjects of slides:** Your slide show should have pictures illustrating the following topics:
 - Bread lines
 - Homelessness
 - Farm foreclosures
 - Migrant workers
 - Drought and the Dust Bowl
- **Written material on slides:** *After* the photograph appears on each slide, the following should then appear: (1) a brief explanatory caption for the photograph (for example, “Bread line in New York City, ca. 1932”) and (2) a sentence or two of historical information related to the topic depicted in the picture (for example, “Free food distributed in New York City was provided through *private* funds to the large numbers of unemployed.”). When it comes time to explain your pictures, you should have this information available before it appears on screen, so be sure to record it on paper.
- **Questions related to slides:** Work with your group to generate 3 to 5 questions related to each picture in your slide show. These questions will be used during presentation of your show to ask your classmates to think about and answer *before* you present the written information on each slide. Some sample questions are
 - How are the people in this photograph dressed?
 - What does the clothing tell you about their financial situation?
 - Why do you think these people are on foot?
 - Where do you think these people are going?
 - What would you do if you lost everything you owned?

Make the questions about each photo more difficult as they progress — that is, put them in order of difficulty.