**Vocabulary Match-up Activity**

**Chapter 14-The Great Depression Begins**

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| **Vocabulary Term** | **Definition** | **Section/ Page Number** |
| **Credit** | **An arrangement where consumers agree to purchase something today that they will pay for later.** |  |
| **Speculation** | **Ignoring the risks many Americans bought stocks and bonds hoping to make a quick profit.** |  |
| **Black Tuesday** | **On October 29th, 1929 the bottom fell out of the stock market setting off a financial panic throughout the nation.** |  |
| **Great Depression** | **The time period from 1929 to 1940 in which the American economy plummeted and the unemployment rate skyrocketed.** |  |
| **Shanty Town** | **Small towns consisting of makeshift shacks built from scrap materials.** |  |
| **Soup Kitchen** | **A source of free or low cost food for struggling American families during the 1930’s.** |  |
| **Dust Bowl** | **The geographic region of our country in which thousands of farmers and sharecroppers left their homes due to dust storms and evictions.** |  |
| **Direct Relief** | **A system of cash payments and food provided by the government during the early years of the depression.** |  |
| **Federal Home Loan Bank Act** | **Signed by President Hoover in 1932, this law lowered mortgage rates for homeowners and allowed farmers to avoid losing their farms by refinancing.** |  |
| **Bonus Army** | **A group of WWI veterans who traveled to Washington D.C. demanding additional compensation for their service during the Great War.** |  |

1. What words did you have the hardest time matching up? What steps did you take to find the correct match?