**The Great Depression**

The year is 1929. The U.S. economy has collapsed. Farms, businesses, and banks nationwide are failing, causing massive unemployment and poverty. You are out of work with little prospect of finding a job.

**The Great Depression Begins 1929-1940**

1. The Nations Sick Economy
   1. Economic troubles on the horizon
      1. Industries in trouble
      2. Farmers need a lift
      3. Consumers have less money to spend
      4. Living on credit
      5. Uneven distribution of income
   2. Hoover takes the nation
      1. The election of 1928
      2. Dreams of riches in the stock market
   3. The stock market crashes-Black Tuesday
   4. Financial Collapse
      1. Bank and business failures
      2. Worldwide economic depression
      3. Causes of the Great Depression
2. Hardship and Suffering During the Depression
   1. The Depression devastates people’s lives
      1. The Depression in cities
      2. The Depression in rural areas
      3. The Dust Bowl
   2. Effects on the American family
      1. Men in the streets
      2. Women struggle to survive
      3. Children suffer hardships
      4. Social and psychological effects
3. Hoover Struggles With the Depression
   1. Hoover tries to reassure the nation
      1. Hoovers philosophy of rugged individualism
      2. Hoover takes cautious steps
      3. Boulder Dam
   2. Hoover takes action
      1. Hoover backs cooperatives
      2. Direct intervention
   3. Gassing the Bonus Army
      1. The Patman Bill denied
      2. Hoover disbands the Bonus Army