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The Great Depression Pt. 3

1. Americans Face Hard Times

- a. The _____
 - i. The _____ sector of the economy had been in bad shape in the 1920s, before the Great Depression
 - ii. A severe _____ hit the Great Plains, from North Dakota to Texas, during the whole of the 1930s
 1. This led to crops dying and the _____ being stripped away
 - a. Massive _____ storms turned large parts of the region into what was called the Dust Bowl
 2. Many _____ lost their farms and homes because of the drought
 3. New Deal programs tried to help by _____ prices
 4. Scientists helped conserve the region by changing farming practices
 - a. _____ were planted to hold soil in place
 - b. Rows of _____ were planted as wind breaks
 - c. Much of this was too little and too late for many farmers, more than _____ million left, mostly for California
- b. Hard Times
 - i. _____ were hit hard during the Great Depression
 1. Many were split up while the parents or children left home to look for _____
 2. Many children dropped out of _____ to find work, even if it was low paying
 3. Minorities were hit especially hard
 - a. Mexican Americans found it difficult to find work, and some Mexican born workers and their American children were _____
 - b. African Americans faced _____ in hiring throughout the country
 - i. The CCC and WPA employed many African Americans
 - ii. _____ Roosevelt pushed for equal rights
- c. Depression Era Culture
 - i. The WPA began to put artists to work in _____
 1. This included _____, sculptors, _____, and actors

- a. Many WPA workers went to rural areas recorded _____ songs, _____ ballads, and African American _____
 - b. _____ created 2,500 murals and sculptors erected 17,000 sculptures, all in public spaces
2. John _____ wrote of the American experience during the Great Depression
 3. Woody _____ mirrored what Steinbeck wrote in folk songs
 4. _____ music became big and was an offshoot of jazz
 5. _____ were a huge draw for many Americans

Answer Questions 1-4 on page 312 of your textbook below. Use complete sentences.

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