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*Unit 6: The Great Depression & New Deal (1930-1940)*Note/Assignment Sheet **1**

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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?:**

**Roaring Twenties**

**Speculation**

**Buying on the Margin**

**Hoover: 1928**

**Important Industries**

**Uneven Distribution of Income**

**Living on Credit**

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?

As a group, read through the *Letters in Time*. Within each letter, list what event, policy, or condition the letter discusses. Next, explain what result that event, policy, or condition would have.

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| **Event, Policy, or Condition** | **Resulting Condition or Problem** |
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