THE CENTURY: AMERICA’S TIME

Episode 4: STORMY WEATHER (1929-1936)

1. What was the Bonus Army and what were its demands?

2. How did the Great Depression affect average Americans?

3. What happened to many of the nation’s banks shortly after the Stock Market Crash of 1929?

4. What were some major affects of these bank failures?

5. Even though the economy failed, many Americans blamed themselves for their unemployment and hard times. Why?

6. One year after the Stock Market Crash, nearly 4 million American families were without ___________________________ and the government didn’t know how to ______________________.

7. Why did the motion picture industry continue to thrive when most other businesses failed?

8. What was the new style of jazz music that many Americans danced to during the 1930’s?

9. During the Depression, the _______________ was the one appliance people couldn’t live without?

10. What was the Dust Bowl? Why did this happen?

11. Where did helpless farmers look to go during the Dust Bowl? How did they get there?

12. Why did more Americans join the Communist Party in the 1930s than any other time?

13. Adolph Hitler and the Nazi party came to power during the German economic depression. Why was Hitler and the Nazi were’s so appealing to Germans in the 1930s?
14. How did President Franklin Delano Roosevelt use radio to help restore American confidence in their government and the economy?

15. What was FDR’s New Deal?

16. Explain the labor strike situation in San Francisco in 1933. How did it end?

17. In 1934, there were _________ strikes around the country. Why?

18. What other problems did FDR face by 1934 other than labor strikes and the Depression?

19. Who was Huey Long and what did he believe?

20. Describe FDR’s 2nd 100 Days.

21. Did FDR win re-election in 1936?