**Great Depression Project**

**Project and Goal:** You will work with two other classmates to design a tri-board display that synthesizes major aspects of the Great Depression and New Deal eras. The goal is not to cover the entire period in detail but rather to choose the aspects that interest you and that you feel capture what the historical era was about. Below is the project guidelines, recommended web resources, and citation format and instructions.

**Guidelines and Tri-board Instructions (70 Points including a citation page):**

All pairs will start with the same resources and elements they will have to include on their display board but it is completely up to you how you arrange these elements and on many of them, you will see that you have choice. Below is the list of elements that must be included on your display board.

All of the following must be included on your display board: All numbers given are minimum, you are encouraged to go beyond when you have the opportunity.

1. Title: Include an original title, do not just write “The Great Depression”….that’s boring, be creative. (10 pts. Including the citation page)
2. Timeline of the Great Depression/New Deal Era: The timeline must include at least 15 events, each event must be labeled, each must be dated, and there must be an image or symbol for each one. (10 pts.)
3. Causes Section: You must include a section that highlights the causes of the Great Depression. Every group must include the Stock Market Crash of 1929. Next, each group will choose two causes that they view as being primary or major causes of the Great Depression. For all three, name the cause/event, summarize the key points to it, and include some sort of image associated with it. (10 pts.)
4. Effects Section: In this section, each group will choose three major effects of the Great Depression. You have freedom over your choices but try and be diverse and reflect how all of society and all types of people were impacted. For each effect you must name it, summarize the key points and include some sort of image/graphic. (10 pts.)
5. President Roosevelt: You must include a section on FDR. You may include some basic biography facts about him, but focus this section on the role he played in leading America during and through the Great Depression. Include at least three images in this section. (10 pts.)
6. New Deal and the Response: Next you will highlight the New Deal and how its’ programs addressed the problems created by the Great Depression. In this section you must highlight at least two New Deal programs and images for each one. (10 pts.)
7. Section of your choice: Finally you may choose to highlight any other aspect, person, place, event, etc. of the Great Depression/New Deal Era. (10 pts.)

**Individual Reflection (30 points):**

Each person will complete an individual reflection over the Great Depression and New Deal. All responses should be typed, 12 point font and double spaced. Responses will be around 1-2 pages (that’s one page single space typed). Your title should be the same title that you used on you and your partner’s display board. In your reflection you must include the following:

1. Why the Great Depression and New Deal are such significant events in U.S. History.
2. One economic impact of the Great Depression and New Deal with an example.
3. One political impact of the Great Depression and New Deal with an example.
4. One social impact of the Great Depression and New Deal with an example.
5. Explain how the events of this era still impact us and have an effect on us today.

\*Each part is worth 5 points, and the final 5 points is earned for correct, format, grammar, and professionalism.\*

**Web Resources:**

<http://www.history.com/topics/great-depression> Overview of Great Depression

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/features/timeline/rails-timeline/> Great Depression Timeline

<http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/era.cfm?eraid=14&smtid=1> Overview with both Events and People

<http://www.ushistory.org/us/48.asp> Online Textbook with a good chapter on the Great Depression and New Deal

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/presidents/franklindroosevelt> Facts about FDR

Remember that you can use your notes as well as textbook.

**Citation Format and Instructions:**

You and your partner must submit a works cited that lists the sources that you used to collect information for your display board. Citations should be in MLA format. [www.easybib.com](http://www.easybib.com) allows you to plug information right in and produce a correctly formatted citation.