

ABOUT THIS PACKET

Each reading passage in this packet allows students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

OVERVIEW

THE CASE

Read the case aloud to your students so they understand the mission.

QUESTIONS

There are 18 questions to be answered by reading the passage and marking the text evidence.

CLUES

After answering each question, the students will **mark off** their answer choice on their answer sheet. After all questions have been answered, the suspect, evidence, and location will be revealed.

GRADE LEVEL

RANGE

4

BEGINNING

4

MIDDLE

5

BEGINNING

5

MIDDLE

5

END

6

BEGINNING

6

MIDDLE

6

END

7

BEGINNING

THE NEW DEAL

The New Deal was a program that consisted of new laws to help America out of the Great Depression.

The Stock Market crashed in 1929. This meant that the money people invested into stocks (shared ownership of a company), was now worthless. Because banks had lent a lot of money to people on credit, they were also out of money and couldn't give people their savings when they wanted to withdraw. Americans were in great debt, owing a lot of money to banks and were without their savings.

During this time, 15 million Americans lost their jobs. Others got paid less, were evicted (forced out) of their homes, and didn't have enough food. Farmers were also struggling because of a drought (no rain) that gave them little to no crops. They had to leave their farms because they weren't making enough money. Things were difficult during this time and many families were barely getting by.

When elections came around, President Franklin D. Roosevelt was elected as the 32nd president of the United States in 1933. He promised the people a "New Deal". He would help restore the economy with a series of laws and programs to pull America out of the Depression. Economics is the way people spend money and the way people make money in terms of goods and services. The three words Roosevelt emphasized were 'Relief, Recovery and Reform.' He was often heard on the radio with his 'fireside chats' keeping Americans informed and encouraging them that the future would be better.

One of the first things that President Roosevelt did include closing the banks for one week. During his first 100 days in office, FDR passed 15 major new laws along with programs. One of the laws passed was called the Securities Act of 1933. This law required companies to share their data with the public so people could make informed decisions when buying stock. This law was created to help prevent another Stock Market crash in the future.

Prohibition (18th Amendment) was a law passed in 1933 that made

3

The Federal Emergency Relief Administration created the _____.



Retired



Elderly



Unemployed



Women

4

The Social _____ Act was created in 1935.



Security



Civilian



Housing



Media

5

What word means money earned?



Bonds



Stocks



Debt



Income

6

How many major laws did FDR pass in his first 100 days of office?



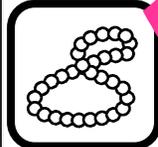
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15



19



27

7

What is shared ownership of a business?



Prohibition



Foot



Income



Stocks

8

What does repeal mean?



To work



To request



To approve



To cancel

9

Which American president repealed Prohibition?



18th



21st



24th



15th

10

The New Deal is often referred to as Alphabet _____."



Salad



Soup



Chips



Chickens

CASE FILE

Cross out the images you use as an answer. What remains will solve the case!

SUSPECTS



LOCATION



EVIDENCE



CONGRATULATIONS

YOU SOLVED
THE CASE!



LEAD DETECTIVE NAME:

CONGRATULATIONS

YOU SOLVED
THE CASE!



LEAD DETECTIVE NAME:

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