**2021 Summer Academy US History**

**Day 12: June 22nd 8:00-10:00 Class**

We will do all of these activities together over Zoom. If you are absent from class (or if you want to review what we did) then you can do these activities yourself.

#1) BIG QUESTIONS OF TODAY:

1. What were the causes of the 1930s Great Depression in the USA?
2. What was life like for the majority of Americans during the Great Depression?
3. What were (and are still) the main political philosophies about government and how to fix problems like depressions?
4. How did FDR’s ‘New Deal’ 1933-1941 move the USA ‘to the left’ and did it make ‘democratic-liberalism’ the new foundation of the US government?

#2) Class Participation Grade- Breakout Rooms & Group Discussion

1. With breakout room partner #1 open my website to “Day 12 PPT on WWI & USA”

-Take turns explaining the main ideas on each PPT slide with your partner

1. With new partner and using what you remember from last week’s lecture on ‘How the USA becomes a #1 Industrial Power 1850-1920” discuss with your partner your ‘educated guesses’ on today’s big question: WHAT WERE THE CAUSES OF THE USA’s GREAT DEPRESSION of 1930? (Hint: What were the ‘cons’ and ‘negative side’ to the USA’s economic growth 1850-1920?) (SAT word hint: 1850-1920 is called the GILDED Age!)

#3) What were the Causes of the USA 1930s Great Depression?

1. My website: Link to Online textbook- CH 14 The Great Depression Begins

-14.1 The Nation’s Sick Economy

a. Skim over by yourself quickly pages 464-466

b. With new breakout partner answer this question again: What were the causes of the Great Depression?

c. Now quickly skim over pages 466-468

d. With new partner discuss: Why did what probably just should have been ‘an economic downturn’ quickly escalate into a GREAT DEPRESSION?

#4) What were the immediate effects of The Great Depression on the USA and Americans?

1. Quickly skim over pages 469-471
2. Open my website to “Day 12 Great Depression Statistics”
3. Back click the online textbook and open up 14.2 Hardships & Suffering During the Depression

-Quickly skim over pages 472-477

-Discuss with your partner: What are the effects of the Great Depression on the majority of Americans?

#5) The Movie CINDERELLA MAN

1. Today and tomorrow we will be watching part of the movie Cinderella Man
2. This movie is a true story about one American family’s life during The Great Depression, New Deal, and WWII years.
3. It is the true story of boxer James Braddock.
4. After we watch the movie you will need to write and discuss this question: How do you see the history and themes of the USA during The Great Depression, New Deal, and WWII in this movie?
5. Let’s watch the first 30 minutes of the movie which follows James Braddock and his family from the years 1929-1933.

#6) How does ‘The New Deal’ try to bring the USA out of the Great Depression & fundamentally change the US government and its relation to Americans?

1. Discuss with your partner: If you were President of the USA in 1933 what would you do to fix all these problems and help the majority of Americans like you see in the movie Cinderella Man?
2. Discuss with your partner:
3. What are the main political philosophies of what a government should do to ‘help fix Great Depressions?’

“THE FAR LEFT” “THE LEFT” “THE RIGHT” “THE FAR RIGHT”

-Marxism? -Democratic Liberalism -Laissez-faire Conservatism -Fascism

1. From 1850-1932 where is the USA Government on this political philosophy chart?
2. Where do most of the world’s government’s go on this chart in the 1930s?
3. WHAT WILL DECIDE WHICH DIRECTION THE USA WILL GO?!?!?
4. What happens in the Presidential Election of 1932?
5. Open the online textbook to Ch 15 The New Deal

-Open up 15.1 A New Deal Fights The Depression

-Read page 489 and discuss main ideas with partner

1. YOUR TEST #3 question is to analyze how the New Deal transforms USA government and tries to make its foundation ‘DEMOCRATIC-LIBERALISM”
2. What are the 3 tenets of Democratic-Liberalism?
3. Regulated Capitalism 2. Government Services for the Poor 3. Democracy Expansion

-How does the New Deal try to establish all three of these & analyze if you think it does a good or bad job?

1. Read page 490 and discuss details and examples for this test question.
2. Read pages 491-492 and discuss details and examples for this test question.
3. Read pages 492-494 and discuss details and examples for this test question.

#7) Watch more of the movie Cinderella Man & Start your Homework

1. Look for examples and themes of “New Deal Years’ in the movie
2. Today’s class focused on ‘The First New Deal” during FDR’s first-term as president (1932-1936)
3. For homework you will read about “The Second New Deal” during FDR’s second-term as president 1936-1940 and add more details and examples to your test question.