

Of Mice and Men Internet Scavenger Hunt

In preparation for reading Of Mice and Men, we would like you to do some preliminary research. Please answer the following questions, include the URL address as well as your answer below. Be curious!!

1. Who is author of Of Mice and Men? Where was he born?
2. Describe two facts/characteristics about the author.
3. When was the *Great Depression*?
4. What was the U.S. unemployment figure in the 1930s? (How many people were out of work?)
5. Describe two facts about the *Great Depression* (not including unemployment).

6. Using the following link, please watch at least one chapter of the video on the Dust Bowl (if you put the cursor on the photo you will be able to move to a new chapter)

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/dustbowl/>

After you have finished watching the video, please answer the following questions:

- a) How long did the drought last? What were the years?
- b) What were the two most interesting facts you learned about the Dust Bowl?

7. Using the following link, please view the 6 black and white photos (you will need to click on them to enlarge them).

http://museumca.org/picturethis/3_2.html

After you have finished viewing the photos, answer the following question:

- a) What is the topic/theme of the photos?

Now, choosing one of the photographs, answer the following questions:

- b) Which photo did you choose and why? (Photos have captions and descriptions for identification.)
- c) If you were there, what would you say to the person/s in the photo?

d) To help you gain more information/understanding, what is one question you would ask the photographer or the person/s in the photograph?

8. Using the following link, please listen to 3 songs. Once you click on this link and get to the homepage, you will need to click on the tab on the far left that reads "1930-1934."

<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~ug03/Jukebox/front.html>

Please answer the following questions. You will need to list the title for each song and the corresponding topic. If you happen to pick a song without words, explain the tone of the song.

a) What songs did you listen to?

b) What was each one about?