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The Great Depression

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. During the Roaring Twenties, the US had just got out of _____, and business was booming.
 - A. World War I
 - B. World War II
 - C. the Great Recession
 - D. the Great Depression

2. In the 1920s, many Americans invested money in the _____ market.
 - A. black
 - B. credit
 - C. share
 - D. stock

3. True or False: The value of a share in a company hardly ever changes.
 - A. True
 - B. False

4. What happened in the summer of 1929?
 - A. Production of goods increased, and employment rose.
 - B. Production of goods decreased, and employment dropped.
 - C. Americans sold millions of shares, and the stock market crashed.
 - D. Americans paid back the money that they had borrowed to buy stocks.

5. What happened on Black Tuesday in October 1929?
 - A. Factories shut down and cut millions of positions.
 - B. Companies sold millions of shares, and the stock market crashed.
 - C. Americans sold millions of shares, and the stock market crashed.
 - D. Americans paid back the money that they had borrowed to buy stocks.

6. The _____ caused food shortages in the southwestern Great Plains.

- A. Dust Bowl
- B. Hungerville
- C. Drought Bowl
- D. Depression Drought

7. What is another term for shantytowns?

- A. Hoovervilles
- B. Hoover slums
- C. Rooseveltvilles
- D. depression houses

8. At the beginning of the Great Depression, which president did many Americans blame for their problems?

- A. President Franklin D. Roosevelt
- B. President Theodore Roosevelt
- C. President Woodrow Wilson
- D. President Herbert Hoover

9. Which of the following are programs that were part of the New Deal?

- A. the Tennessee Valley Authority and the Pension Act
- B. the Social Security Act and the Employment Administration
- C. the Works Progress Administration and the Social Security Act
- D. the Works Progress Administration and the Tennessee Veterans' Authority

10. The Social Security Act of 1935 guaranteed

- A. citizenship for working immigrants who moved to America.
- B. access to education for children from impoverished families.
- C. employment for workers who would construct public buildings.
- D. pensions for the retired elderly and unemployment money for the jobless.