

Louisiana: Our History, Our Home

Chapter 13: The Era of Huey Long

Internet Activity



The Great Depression brought many economic problems to Louisiana in the 1930s. Farm prices were low and many factories, banks, and businesses closed.

Instructions: Use the information in the links below to complete the activities.

Part I: Click here for [Library of Congress: Great Depression Photos](#). Enter “Louisiana” in the search box. Click the **Gallery** or **Grid** button. Click the next page arrow, as needed, to view pictures of our state during the Great Depression.

To enlarge the pictures, click the small version of the picture. Click “About This Item” for more details about the picture.

Your task: Imagine that you work for a book publisher. You must choose one or two pictures from this website to include in a chapter about Louisiana during the Great Depression.

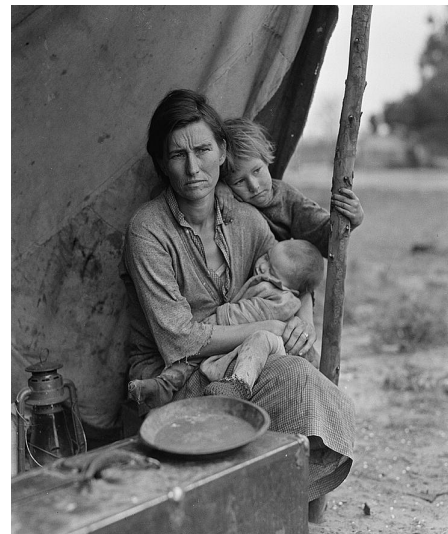
When you have made your choice, print the picture(s). To print, right-click on the picture. Choose Print Picture. Staple the printed picture(s) to this page.

Below the printed picture(s), write a short paragraph to explain why you chose the photo(s). In your writing, answer these questions.

- What qualities about the picture represent the topic?
- What facts would viewers gain from the photo?
- What emotions might viewers have when looking at the photo?



Family of construction worker, Monroe, LA, 1940. Source: Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Division. FSA-OWI Collection. fsa 2000037070



Migrant farmwoman, 32, with seven hungry children, 1936. Source: Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Division, FSA-OWI Collection, fsa 8B29525

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Part II: Read through the websites below to find facts about the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps) in Louisiana. This program was designed to give unemployed young men a job during the Great Depression.

[American Experience](#) [The CCC in Louisiana](#) [Reaction in Louisiana](#)

1. Which president created the CCC?

2. Why did Louisiana not benefit from the New Deal as much as other states?

3. What are four types of work that CCC men did in Louisiana?

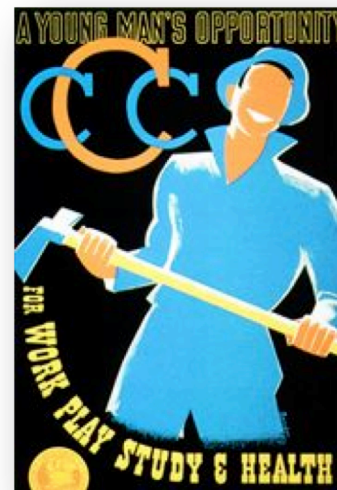
4. About how many young men were employed by the CCC in Louisiana?

5. Why was the CCC discontinued?

Part III: Study the poster at right.

6. What do you think was the purpose of this 1930s CCC poster? How was the poster supposed to get a viewer's attention?

7. According to the poster, what would young men in the CCC get to have?



Source: National Archives