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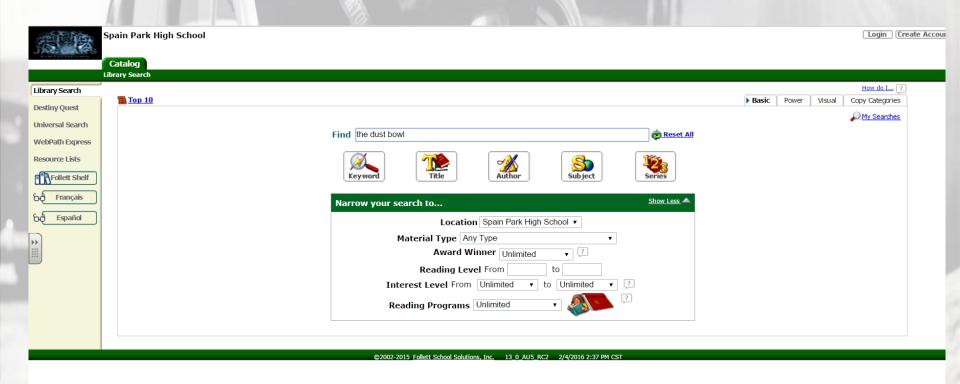
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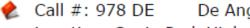
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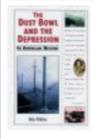
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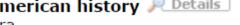
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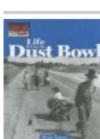
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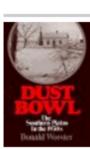




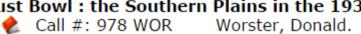
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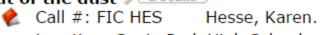


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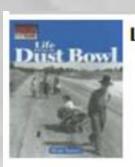


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Although farm women took pride in well-scrubbed floors and a clean parlor, maintaining such conditions during storms was impossible. Everything that had a surface became dusty. Clothes hanging on the line to dry ended up stiff with dirt. Families went to sleep on clean sheets and pillowcases and awoke to find everything dirty but the spots where they had lain.

Dust settled on furniture, piled on window ledges, and trickled down walls like tiny waterfalls. It seeped into closets and lay in ripples across floors. Ann Marie Low wrote in

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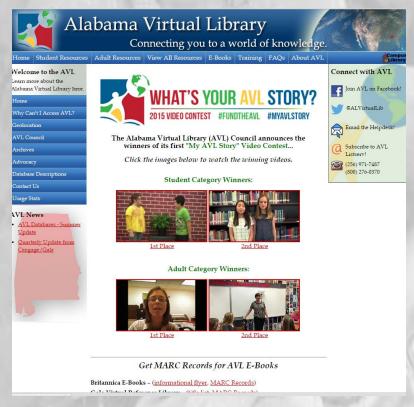
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Some illnesses were a direct result of exposure to dust. Fine silicon particles—similar to those that caused black lung disease in coal miners—were present in the dirt, and when they were inhaled they cut and irritated the mucous membranes of the respiratory system. "Dust pneumonia," a condition in which dust irritated the lungs and bronchial tubes and led to infection and sometimes death, was extremely common during this time. J.R. Davison of Texas remembered, "I was pretty

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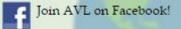
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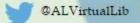
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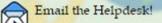
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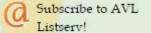


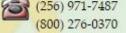
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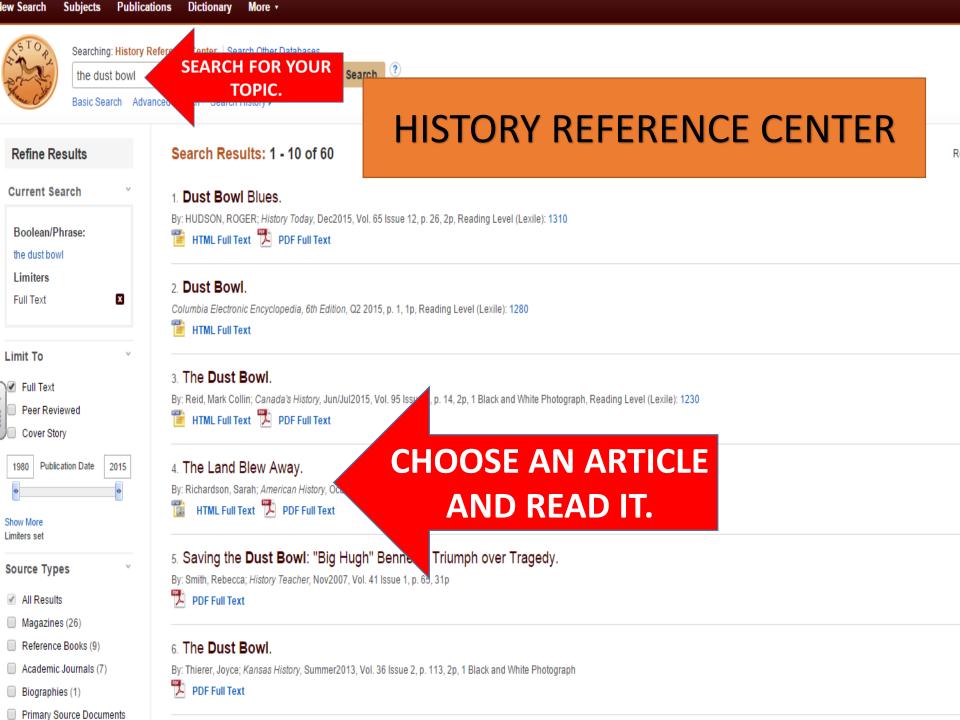


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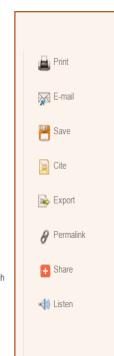


1930s Dust Bowl

Prolonged drought and poor farming practices created an environmental nightmare

"With the gales came the **dust**. Sometimes it was so thick that it completely hid the sun. Visibility ranged from nothing to fifty feet, the former when the eyes were filled with dirt which could not be avoided, even with goggles," wrote Lawrence Svobida in his memoir of farming wheat in Kansas during the **Dust Bowl** years.

"At other times a cloud is seen to be approaching from a distance of many miles. Already it has the banked appearance of a cumulus cloud, but it is black instead of white, and it hangs low, seeming to hug the earth. Instead of being slow to change its form, it appears to be rolling on itself from the crest downward. As it sweeps onward, the landscape is progressively blotted out. Birds fly in terror before the storm, and only those that are strong of wing may escape. The smaller birds fly until they are exhausted, then fall to the ground, to share the fate of the thousands of iack rabbits which perish from



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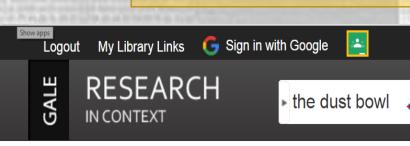
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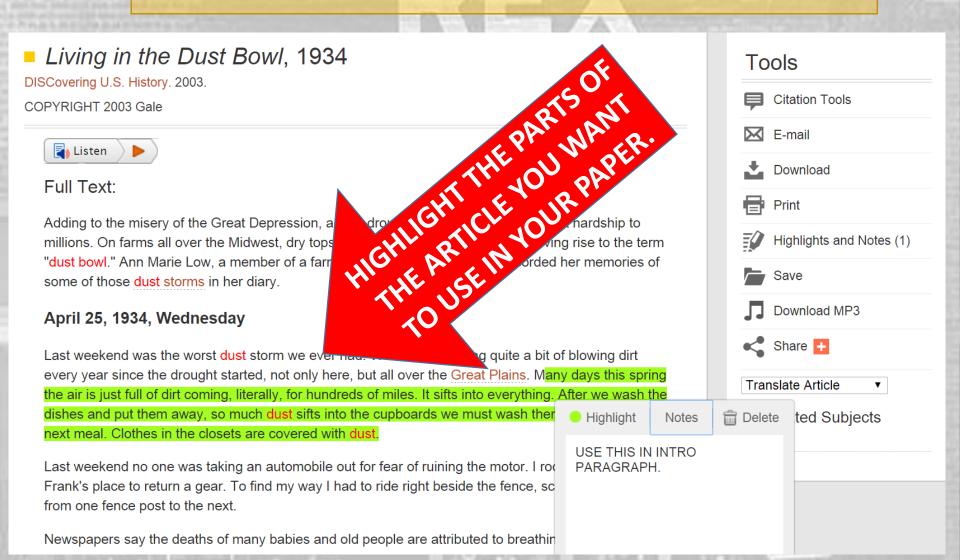
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Adding to the misery of the Great Depression, a long drought in the mid-1930s brought hardship to millions. On farms all over the Midwest, dry topsoil was blown away by the wind, giving rise to the term "dust bowl." Ann Marie Low, a member of a farming family in North Dakota, recorded her memories of some of those dust storms in her diary.

#### April 25, 1934, Wednesday

Last weekend was the worst dust storm we ever had. We've been having quite a bit of blowing dirt every year since the drought started, not only here, but all over the <u>Great Plains</u>. Many days this spring the air is just full of dirt coming, literally, for hundreds of miles. It sifts into everything. After we wash the

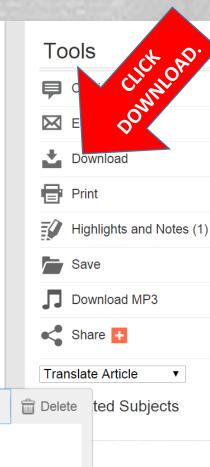
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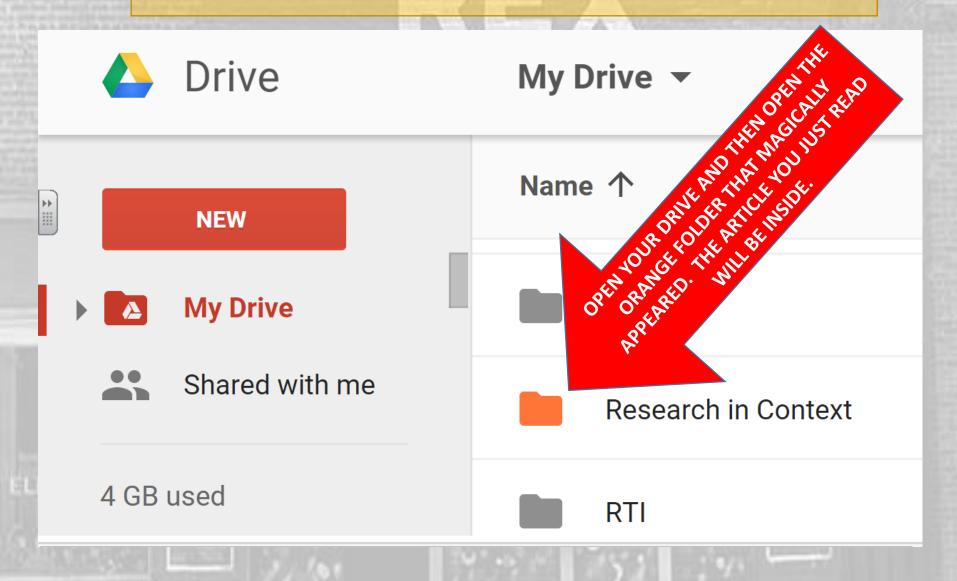
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We had no time to wash clot tubs, and the washing machine before we could use them. Then every towel, curtain, piece of bedding, and garment had to be taken outdoors to have as much dust as possible shaken out before washing. The cistern is dry, so I had to carry all the water we needed from the well.

That evening Cap came to take me to the movie, as usual. Ixnay. I'm sorry I snapped at Cap. It isn't his fault, or anyone's fault, but I was tired and cross. Life in what the

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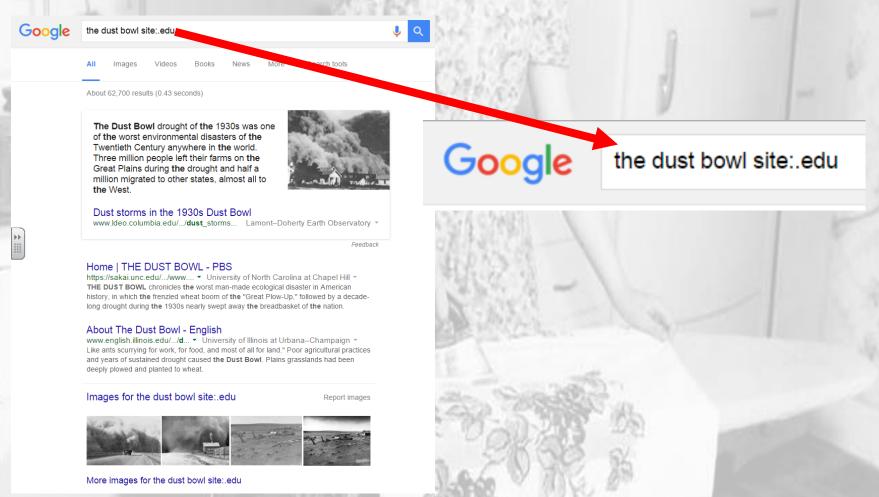
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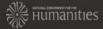
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