

# *The Dust Bowl*

Directions: Use your Chromebook or your History textbook to discover more about the worst man-made ecological disaster in our country's history—the Dust Bowl. Be prepared to discuss your findings with the class.

## **WHEN THE DUST BOWL BEGAN**

- 1.) What year did the Dust Bowl conditions start to impact the United States?
- 2.) Examine the timeline of events and list, in your opinion, the three most important events of the Dust Bowl.

## **WHERE THE DUST BOWL HAPPENED**

- 3.) What states, counties, and towns were impacted by the Dust Bowl?
- 4.) Out of all the possible states that could have been impacted, why is it that these states were the ones that experienced the most damage during the Dust Bowl?

## **WHY THE DUST BOWL HAPPENED**

- 5.) What are three reasons the Dust Bowl occurred?  
Create a graphic organizer with "DUST BOWL" in the middle circle and list three reasons in smaller circles around the center.

## **WHO THE DUST BOWL AFFECTED**

- 6.) What groups of people did the Dust Bowl affect the most?

## **EXAMINE THE PICTURES AT <http://www.pbs.org/kenburns/dustbowl/photos/> AND RESPOND TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

- 7.) What images stand out to you the most in these pictures?

## **HOW PEOPLE REACTED TO THE DUST BOWL**

- 8.) Name three ways that people dealt with the Dust Bowl.
  - a). For those that moved West, what did California represent? Did they find what they hoped for there?
- 9.) What were some of the consequences of the Dust Bowl? (Good and Bad)