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American History
Unit 18 – The New Deal
Study Guide

Everything you need to study for the test is on this study guide. This is a graded assignment and is due on the day of the test. Complete the study guide on a separate sheet of paper and then staple this handout to your work.

Study your terms, they will be on the test in one form or another.

1. Describe President Roosevelt’s first few days in office:
2. How did the National Industrial Recovery Act try to help businesses?
3. Describe the “black cabinet”:
4. How did First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt go against tradition?
5. What did the Second New Deal try to do?
6. Why did many Republicans criticize and hate the New Deal?
7. What did FDR do to create the most resistance to his programs?
8. What were the reasons for the 1937 recession (falling back into an economic depression)?
9. At first, the Wagner Act led to what?
10. Describe movies in the late 1930s; what did they do?
11. Why did FDR declare a “bank holiday” early in his presidency?
12. Which New Deal agency was created to help the businesses?
13. Who were FDR’s “brain trust”?
14. Why did Progressives hate the New Deal?
15. Why are Huey Long and Father Charles E. Coughlin called demagogues?
16. When all is said and done, what did the New Deal really do?

Essay Questions:

You will be required to answer both of the essay questions. Essay answers on the test must be at least 250 words long, in complete sentences, and in correct essay format.

1. Describe fully, President Franklin D. Roosevelt. What kind of person was he? What kind of president was he? Provide facts and examples in order to receive full credit.

2. Do you feel that the New Deal was successful in stopping the Great Depression? Why or why not? Provide facts and examples in order to receive full credit.