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The Great Depression: A Time of Hardship and Change

Short Answer Key

1. Families coped with the lack of jobs and income by making do with fewer basic necessities, standing in long lines at soup kitchens, and sometimes moving to different places in search of employment.
2. The main goals of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal programs were to provide jobs, stimulate the economy, and offer relief to those in need.
3. "Hooverilles" were makeshift shantytowns where homeless people lived during the Great Depression, named after President Herbert Hoover, who was in office when the Depression began.
4. Many people lost confidence in the banking system because of widespread bank failures, causing them to lose their savings.
5. Emotional challenges included depression and anxiety, increased stress and strain on families, and an increase in suicide rates.

