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The Great Depression: Understanding Its Causes

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Discuss the long-term effects of the Great Depression on the United States and its citizens. How did it shape the country's economic and social policies in the following decades?
2. Reflect on the lessons that can be learned from the causes of the Great Depression. In what ways have governments and financial institutions taken steps to prevent a similar economic catastrophe in modern times?
3. Imagine you lived during the Great Depression. How do you think your family would have coped with the economic challenges caused by factors like the stock market crash and bank failures?
4. Explore the role of global economic factors in the Great Depression. How did interconnectedness between countries contribute to the severity of the crisis? Provide an example of how one country's economic decisions affected another during this time.

