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## Life on a Rollercoaster: Living Conditions During the Great Depression

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers will vary but may include discussing potential ways to continue learning, such as reading books and newspapers, and relying on community support for clothing.
2. Music and entertainment offered a temporary escape from daily hardships, providing solace and a sense of normalcy. Radio programs allowed people to connect and find comfort in shared experiences.
3. Hoovervilles were characterized by makeshift shelters and limited resources, while suburban areas offered more stable housing and access to basic amenities. Both faced economic difficulties but in different ways.
4. Possible lessons include the importance of community support during difficult times, the value of resourcefulness and creativity, and the role of government in providing relief and recovery during crises.

