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## Lost Land

### Short Answer Key

1. The Joads had lived on the land for generations, and it represented their hard work and family history.
2. Banks took land from farmers who could not pay their debts, and big businesses controlled much of the farmland.
3. Too many workers arrived in California, so farm owners paid them very little and did not treat them fairly.
4. He shows that when the Joads lost their land, they also lost their home, security, and control over their future.
5. Their struggles show that people without land or money often have very little power in society.

