Guided Reading Activity

Roosevelt and the New Deal, 1933–1941

Lesson 1 The First New Deal

Review Questions: Outlining

DIRECTIONS: Read the lesson and complete the outline below. Refer to your textbook to fill in the blanks.

I. Roosevelt’s Rise to Power
   A. FDR began his political career by being elected to the __________________ and then later serving in the __________________ administration.
   B. In 1928 he was elected __________________ of the state of New York.
   C. His popularity paved the way for his election in 1932 as __________________ . His policies to end the Depression were called __________________ .

II. The Hundred Days
   A. Because people thought that Roosevelt would abandon the __________________ , they withdrew their savings from banks. To prevent banks from collapsing, governors declared __________________ .
   B. Roosevelt chose __________________ who disagreed with one another. He did this so he could hear __________________ points of view.

III. Banks and Debt Relief
   A. Roosevelt asked Congress to pass the __________________ , which put an end to the banking crisis.
   B. Congress also created the Securities and Exchange Commission to regulate the __________________ and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to __________________ .
   C. The Farm Credit Administration helped farmers __________________ .

IV. Farms and Industry
   A. To help farmers, the __________________ paid farmers not to produce certain farm products to increase demand and raise prices.
   B. The program met its goal, but raising __________________ in a depression drew harsh criticism.
   C. Business, labor, and the government set rules for each industry, known as __________________ . The National Recovery Administration helped a few industries, but the codes were __________________ .

V. Relief Programs
   A. The most highly praised relief program, which planted trees, built reservoirs, and fought forest fires, was the __________________ .
   B. Two relief programs that hired construction workers to build highways, roads, and other things were the __________________ and the __________________ .
Summary and Reflection
DIRECTIONS: Summarize the main ideas of this lesson by answering the question below.

How did Roosevelt’s First New Deal increase the power and influence of the federal government?

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