

The Great Depression's Effects on the People

Cinderella Man: As you watch the clips from the movie *Cinderella Man*, answer the following questions by providing detailed explanations.

Scene 1 – In the Home

1. Create a list of the problems the family faced in this scene. Provide an explanation next to each.

Scene 2 – Walk through Central Park

2. As Jimmy walks, list the signs of economic troubles portrayed. Be sure to look for details in the artifacts not just the actions of the actor.

Scene 3 – At the Docks

3. What are the issues that you can see in this scene with trying to find work?

Scene 4 – Stolen

4. Why did Jimmy's son Jay steal the salami from the butcher's shop?

Poster Activity: Answer the following questions by using the posters on the bulletin board in the back of the classroom.

Poster #4, 6, & 9: What percentage of the population was unemployed during the Great Depression? How did the employed and society deal with the issue of high unemployment?

Poster #8: What is marathon dancing? Why would people participate in it during the Great Depression? How many days has this couple been dancing? What happened to some people as a result of participating in marathon dancing?

Poster #11: What were some things that people did to help distract them from the depression?

