*Of Mice and Men*

Webquest

1. Where did Steinbeck find inspiration for the title, [“Of Mice and Men”?](http://www.phrases.org.uk/meanings/the-best-laid-schemes-of-mice-and-men.html)

[The Great Depression and the Dust Bowl](http://history1900s.about.com/od/1930s/p/greatdepression.htm)

2. What event marked the beginning of The Great Depression?

3. Briefly describe “The Dust Bowl”.

4. Why were the farmers the hardest hit during this time?

5. What does “ride the rails” mean? What is its significance?

6. What was a “shanty town”?

7. Where did people (especially farmers) begin migrating to?

8. How did Roosevelt help America recover? What were his programs collectively called?

9. What ultimately ended The Great Depression?

[Migrant Workers](http://www.ehow.com/info_7830002_lives-migrant-farm-workers-1930s.html)

10. How many people were estimated to have migrated to California during the 1930s?

11. Why was California the best choice?

12. What does it mean to “follow the harvest”?

[Mental Illness in the 30s](http://prezi.com/fcbq6xa4cdzi/mental-illness-in-the-1930s/)

13. What were some common treatments of the mentally ill during the 1930s?