Resources

Books for Children:
Curtis, Christopher P. *Bud, Not Buddy*. New York: Delacorte Press, 1999. Winner of both the Newberry Medal and the Coretta Scott King Award, this is the story of a motherless boy in Flint, Michigan circa the mid 1930’s, in search of the jazz musician he believes to be his father.


Rensberger, Susan. *A Multicultural Portrait of the Great Depression*. New York: Benchmark Books, 1996. Excellent, detailed nonfiction book for middle and high school students with a particularly useful section explaining the economics of the Crash of ‘29 and the Depression in ch. 2. Delves into effects of the Depression and the New Deal Programs on women, children, minorities, even a page and a half on the “Indian New Deal.” A must have with many photos, a time-line, a glossary.


Steinbeck, John. *Grapes of Wrath*. Both the book and movie, in part or in whole, are useful resources depending on the reading and maturity level of the child.

Print Sources for Adults:

Fremon, David K. *The Great Depression in American History*. Berkeley Heights: Enslow Publ., 1997. Will provide more detail and depth than what will be found in most US history survey textbooks.


**Internet Resources:**

- See Voices from the Dust Bowl:  *The Charles L. Todd and Robert Sonkin Migrant Worker Collections*,  [http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/afctshtml/tshome.html](http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/afctshtml/tshome.html);


All the above are excellent sources for concise, accurate information, student friendly resources, background info for adults and students, and a wealth of primary documents.

*The New Deal Network. [http://newdeal.feri.org/](http://newdeal.feri.org/)* Wonderful source for variety of depression era primary sources, well organized, student friendly lesson plans, bibliographical materials, information specific to needs of this unit including political/economic background, union & student organizing, varying perspectives, cultural resources.


*Webquest: The Great Depression. [http://www.plainfield.k12.in.us/hschool](http://www.plainfield.k12.in.us/hschool)*. Lesson plan, forms, info to compare expenses/salaries of 1930’s and today.

*We made Do: Recalling the Depression. [http://www.mcsc.k12.in.us/mhs](http://www.mcsc.k12.in.us/mhs). Sample lessons, forms information on effects of depression on everyday lives of people.


*History Matters. [http://historymatters.gmu.edu/](http://historymatters.gmu.edu/)* well organized and easy for both adults and students to use. Especially helpful with forms and advice on how to find, use, and analyze primary sources.

*National Archives and Records Administration. [http://archives.gov/digital_classroom/](http://archives.gov/digital_classroom/)* marvelous site for primary sources of all kinds, analysis worksheets for maps, artifacts, photos, and cartoons free and available online.


**Photographs**
Photograph 1 depicts an Arkansas soup line, 1933, Photograph 2 shows two men bartering in clothing store, and Photograph 3 shows run on a New York Bank during the Great Depression. These photographs are available at NARA: AP007994, REF 0650, Special Media Archives Division, (Still Picture Reference Team), National Archives and Research Administration, 8601 Adelphi Rd., College Park, MD.