

Gale Scavenger Hunt

U.S. History In Context: Jazz Age and the Roaring Twenties

1 Which war immediately preceded the 1920's? What media industry was one of the most prosperous of the Roaring Twenties?

Answers: World War I. The movie industry, silent films and then in 1927 movies with sound.

Source: Overview – Jazz Age and the Roaring Twenties, Roaring Twenties, UXL Encyclopedia of U.S. History, 2009

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2 What type of person is referred to as a flapper? What are some significant traits of a flapper?

Answers: The term 'Flapper' is used to describe a young, modern, sophisticated girl. Traits of a flapper: fun, loves to dance – specially to jazz music, enjoys her leisure time, and has a unique style.

Source: "Flapper Americana Novissima", American Decades Primary Sources, 2004

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3 What were the terms of the 18th Amendment? What was the Volstead Act?

Answers: The 18th Amendment outlawed the manufacturing and sale of alcohol nationwide. The Volstead Act outlawed beer and wine, beverages containing .5 percent alcohol.

Source: Sources may vary. Prohibition, UXL Encyclopedia of U.S. History, 2009

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4 With the outlaw of alcohol, what did the U.S. see a rise in, especially in Chicago, IL? One person had quite the reputation for being ruthless and is still very well-known today, who was this mob boss? Also, share a bookmark link to an image of the famous mob boss.

Answers: Organized crime (or crime, illegal activities...), Al Capone, Image link: <http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/PC3448087097/UHIC?u=tvanburen&xid=5aaf606c>

Source: Sources may vary. The Dark Side of the 1920's, Roaring Twenties Reference Library, 2006

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5 Fitzgerald wrote a novel that truly depicted life in the 'Roaring Twenties', what was the name of that novel? Who were the main characters? How did the main character build his fortune?

Answers: The Great Gatsby. Jay Gatsby (born Jimmy Gatz) and Daisy Buchanan. Gatsby built his fortune bootlegging.

Source: Fitzgerald, F. Scott, Roaring Twenties Reference Library, 2006

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