

Jobs That Changed

Analyze how New Deal programs helped people and communities.

SS5H3.b "Analyze the main features of the New Deal; include the significance of the Civilian Conservation Corps, Works Progress Administration, and the Tennessee Valley Authority."

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1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the actions each program took, then write CCC, WPA, or TVA beside the matching evidence to analyze how each program helped people or communities.

New Deal Programs at Work

- ① During the Great Depression, many Americans could not find work, and families struggled to pay for food and homes. President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal used federal programs to provide relief, create jobs, and improve parts of the economy. Three programs show how the New Deal affected daily life: the Civilian Conservation Corps, the Works Progress Administration, and the Tennessee Valley Authority.
- ② The Civilian Conservation Corps, or CCC, hired young men to work in camps. They planted trees, built trails, and helped prevent soil erosion. Their pay supported workers and often their families. The CCC was significant because it provided jobs while protecting land and improving parks and forests that communities could use each day, in many places.
- ③ The Works Progress Administration, or WPA, employed people to build roads, bridges, schools, and other public projects. It also paid some artists, writers, and musicians for work. The Tennessee Valley Authority, or TVA, built dams in the Tennessee River valley. The dams controlled floods and made electricity more available. The WPA and TVA were significant because they created jobs and left improvements that served communities after the projects ended.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What three broad goals did the New Deal have, according to the passage?

2 How did the CCC meet two New Deal goals at the same time?

3 Compare the WPA and TVA. What did each program provide or build, and how did its work help communities?

4 Why were the WPA and TVA significant even after workers finished their projects?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

A town has unemployed workers, frequent floods, and no reliable electricity. Write 3 or 4 sentences proposing a New Deal-style project. Name the CCC, WPA, or TVA as your model, describe one action, and explain two ways your project would help.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the actions each program took, then write CCC, WPA, or TVA beside the matching evidence to analyze how each program helped people or communities. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What three broad goals did the New Deal have, according to the passage?	The New Deal aimed to provide relief, create jobs, and improve parts of the economy.
2	How did the CCC meet two New Deal goals at the same time?	The CCC gave young men jobs and pay while protecting land by planting trees, building trails, and helping prevent soil erosion.
3	Compare the WPA and TVA. What did each program provide or build, and how did its work help communities?	The WPA provided jobs building public projects, such as roads, bridges, and schools. The TVA built dams that controlled floods and made electricity more available.
4	Why were the WPA and TVA significant even after workers finished their projects?	Their roads, bridges, schools, flood control, and electricity continued to serve communities after the projects ended.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I would use the TVA as a model for a river project. Workers would build a dam to control the town's floods and produce electricity. The project would provide jobs now, and homes and businesses would have safer land and more reliable power.

Accept equivalent descriptions of each program's work and significance when they are supported by the passage. For the open response, accept any named program used as a reasonable model, with an action and two clear benefits.