

The Roaring Twenties

Watch the video and do the activities.

Activity 1- Put the sentences in the order they are mentioned in the video.

- The 20s were also a great time for music and commonly known as the Jazz Age
- By this time more Americans were living in cities than on farms and the nation's wealth more than doubled. This created a rise in consumerism.
- During the World War One the US manufactured and sold a lot of weapons to the Allies.
- Literary and visual arts were impacted as well, especially during a movement knows as the Harlem Renaissance which was focused on the Arts in African-American culture.
- The roaring twenties had a lasting impact on the modern world.
- The 1920s was a period of great social, political and economic change, especially in the U.S. and has come to be called the Roaring Twenties.
- The main short-term effect of the roaring twenties was the stock market crash of 1929
- During the 1920s new advancements were also made in transportation and infrastructure
- With lots of money and lots of time, entertainment was in high demand.
- Political changes were also made at the time.

Activity 2- Match the sentences.

- ✓ By the end of the 1920s,
- ✓ Between 1923 and 1930
- ✓ During the 1920s new advancements
- ✓ By 1924 over 10 million
- ✓ During the Prohibition,
- ✓ Around 17 billion dollars
- ✓ Annual incomes went from 580 dollars in 1914
- ✓ Clearly the 1920s was extremely
- ✓ World War One dramatically changed
- ✓ The crash marked the beginning of the Great Depression,

crime rates increased by the 24% in 30 major cities.

were also made in transportation and infrastructure.

was made by the weapon industries in the US.

75% of Americans went to the movies at least once a week.

Model Ts had been produced

the largest economic recession in US history, which lasted 10 years.

the domestic economy which set the stage for the prosperity of the 1920s.

to more than 1300 dollars by the end of the decade.

60% of American families bought radios.

influential to modern culture in the US.

Activity 3- Fill in the blanks.

Many Americans bought the latest home_____. People
listened to the radio and went to the movies. For many Americans, especially those
in the city, life was _____.

The _____ ever made were released at this time and the greats of silent comedy including Buster Keaton and Charlie Chaplin were shown across theatres. Entertainment also began to enter the household. Radios became _____. Manufacturers were flooded with orders and demands for more radios.

Literary and visual arts were impacted as well, especially during a movement known as the Harlem Renaissance which was focused on _____. This movement was closely tied to civil rights and brought out racial pride in the African-American community. Famous poets like Langston Hughes and Zora Neale Hurston inspired and influenced many African-American artists and authors even today.

There were many cultural changes as well, especially among the younger generation. Flappers were young women with bobbed hair and short skirts who _____, compared to the more conservative previous generations.

Prohibition was a nationwide constitutional ban on the _____ which remained in place from 1920 to 1933. This resulted in the creation of speakeasies and gangs that _____.

The roaring twenties had a lasting impact on the modern world. Lots of inventions from the time are still in use today like _____, pop up toaster and especially penicillin. The most important thing though was the increasing use of the assembly line popularized by Henry Ford. This allowed for _____ and this process is widely used in factories around the world today.

