

Making Changes

Neighborhood Watch is an organization of citizens in a neighborhood. The members of a neighborhood Watch program work with the police to protect their community. Neighborhood Watch members watch for unusual activity in their neighborhood and report it to the police.

It is a story of a hard work and pride. In 1975, Trong Nguyen arrived in Chicago from Vietnam. He and his family were fleeing the last days of war. But the "uptown" area and refugees moved into seemed like another war zone. The streets were filled with muggers, drugs addicts, and other dangerous people. It was not a good place for families with children.

But people like Trong Nguyen were determined to save the neighborhood. They worked with police and other community leaders. Groups were formed to watch for trouble. Before long, much of the crime stopped. Meanwhile, Trong opened a small restaurant. Other people from Laos, Cambodia, and Vietnam started businesses in stores that had been empty. Soon, the addicts and gangs disappeared.

Today, Chicago's "Uptown" is no longer a dangerous, run-down area, thanks to Trong and others. People from all over the city come to visit its stores and restaurants. It is a special place.



Choose the right response to the statements

1. Trong Nguyen originally comes from.. A. Laos B. Cambodia C. Vietnam
2. Trong and his family left their country because of ... A. no job B. war C. their family
3. Trong family settled in the city of ... A. Oregon B. Chicago C. New York
4. The city where they settled was a safe place. A. Yes B. No
5. The streets of Chicago were filled with.. A. trash and dust B. workers C. muggers/ drug addicts
6. Trong and other people were determined to make their city
 - A. a business center B. a safe place C. community center
7. Why was Chicago looking like a war zone?
 - A. because of army and war planes B. war in the next city C. because of criminals
8. What did Trong and other people do to make their city a safe place?
 - A. they made Neighborhood Watch B. made a new police force C. called the army in
9. What business did Trong start?
 - A. He opened a restaurant B. He opened a store C. started a hair saloon
10. Why is Chicago a special place now?
 - A. because it has more business B. because Trong lives there C. because criminals have left the city.



Franklin Delano Roosevelt



Franklin Delano Roosevelt was the 32nd president of the United States. He was the only president to be elected four times, serving from 1933 until his death on April 12, 1945. When he was 39, Roosevelt contracted polio and had difficulty walking for the rest of his life. At the time he was elected, the United States was in a terrible economic depression. Roosevelt quickly proposed a sweeping program, the New Deal that would help businesses economically and provide relief to thousands of unemployed people. It also set up social safety nets.

When the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, the United States entered into World War 2. Roosevelt led the country through most of the war, dying just before the war ended. He is remembered for his leadership during the devastating depression and war.

Choose the correct answer to complete the sentences

Franklin Delano Roosevelt was the president of

A. the United States B. the United Kingdom C. the United Arab Emirates

2. How many times was he elected as president? A. 3 times B. four times C. five times

3. When did he die? _____

4. Why did he have difficulty in walking? A. because of a fall . B. because of polio

5. How many years did he serve as the president? A. 13 years B. 14 years C. 15 years

6. What was the name of the program that he gave?

A. The New Deal B. The New Orleans C. The New York

7. When did Japanese attack the pearl Harbor?

A. In the first world war B. in the Gulf war C. in the Second World War

8. Did he die after the end of World War 2? A. Yes B. No.

9. Why is he still remembered?

A. Because of his name B. because of his face C. because of his leadership

10. He was the _____ president of the United States of America.

A. 23 B. 22 C. 32 D. 33