**History 12 Name/Date:**

**Unit 2:** Promise and Collapse

**Topic:** U.S. – The Interwar Years

**Assignment:** **Exploring the Boom and the Bust**

**Reference:** Student Workbook pp. 62-73

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/fsahtml/fahome.html>

<http://www.ecommcode.com/hoover/hooveronline/hoover_and_the_depression/letters/index.html>

<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/afctshtml/tshome.html>

<http://history1900s.about.com/od/photographs/tp/greatdepressionpictures.htm>

<http://www.shmoop.com/greatdepression/botw/primarysources.html?d=http://historymatters.gmu.edu/d/5111/>

Other online sources

**Task:** Examine a variety of online primary source documents, including images, letters and speeches that illustrate the effects of the Great Depression. Some examples may include:

* Letters to Herbert Hoover from desperate families
* Drought on the pairies
* Breadlines or soup kitchens

In a chart similar to the one below and record your impressions based on the source focussing on questions such as:

* What do the images/documents show?
* What do they reveal about the time period and how they lived?
* How do images demonstrate a change from the “roaring twenties”?

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**Using the information from your chart write a journal entry from the perspective of an individual living in the USA during the Great Depression. Your journal should demonstrate an understanding of the hopeless situation many people were feeling. Make sure to refer to actual people and events from you examined in your journal.**