

## **Social Studies 9**

### **The Dust Bowl by David Booth**

#### **BOTH PROJECTS MUST BE COMPLETED!**

#### **Project 1: (Due Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>)**

Instructions:

1. Using Google Images, find a black and white painting or photo that depicts the life and times during the Dust Bowl.
2. Using the photo as a guide, write a poem of **at least 5 lines** that expressed the hardships felt during that decade.
3. In Microsoft Word, copy and paste the photo that you have chosen and make it fill the page. (The picture will be your watermark for your poem).
4. Write your poem in a textbox and place the textbox in an appropriate place on the photo (keep in mind that I need to be able to clearly see all the words, so if you are using a dark font, make sure the text is not placed on a dark part of the picture).

You will be graded as following:

1. Appropriateness of the photo: 1
2. Overall appearance of the presentation: 4
3. The quality of the poem (this includes spelling): 5

#### **Project 2: (Due Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>)**

Imagine that, in 2012, the Dust Bowl is back in the prairie regions of Canada. Write a story that shows what life would be like if this were to occur today. Your story should portray your OWN opinion of how life would be different ( or how life would not be different). Your story must include the following:

1. Some dialogue between characters
2. Lots of descriptive paragraphs
3. Facts on what the Dust Bowl was like in the 1930s (similar to the story by David Booth). Make sure, however, that these facts do not take up the bulk of your story.
4. Some pictures to support your story
5. Specific details on the quality and way of life during the Dust Bowl. This should be the focus of your writing.

You will be graded as follows:

1. Meets each of the criteria listed above
2. Is creative
3. The overall quality of the work