**The Great Depression**

**Stock Market Crash**

**\*Between 1929 and 1934 world trade dropped.**

**\*People paniced as they realized stocks they owned were worthless.**

**\*September 1929 the stock market crashed. The stock market crash was one of the reasons for the Great Depression.**

**Causes of the Great Depression**

* **People borrowed money to buy stocks and couldn’t pay back the loan. (stock market crash)**
* **Farmers had problems paying back loans.**
* **High tariffs (tariffs are taxes on forgeign goods)**

**What did Herbet Hoover do?**

* **He asked businesses not to lay off workers and lower wages.**
* **He supported the Reconstruction Finance Corporation (RFC) which lended money to banks and companies.**
* **He asked local governments and state governments to create jobs by constructing roads and public buildings.**

**How Did People React to the Great Depression?**

* **People went to soup kitchens and bread lines**
* **Students quit school to get a job**
* **People blamed President Hoover for the country’s problems.**
* **Schools closed**