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Video Guide: Surviving the Dust Bowl (10 points)

1. What percentage of farmers stayed on during the dust bowl years? _____ out of every _____.
2. How was life on the Great Plains marketed?
3. How many acres of land could be plowed per day with a tractor? _____
4. In what year did the rain stop? _____
5. What five states were hardest hit by the Dust Bowl?
6. What other destructive feature would contribute to the death of a crop other than the wind?

7. In what ways did farmers receive assistance from the New Deal?
8. How did farmers feel about this assistance?
9. What did the government do about the problem of starving cattle?
10. What were the “rabbit drives”?
11. What name was given to April 14, 1935?
12. What was the epidemic that “raged throughout the Plains”?
a. Dirt Flu b. Sand Plague c. Dust Pneumonia d. Chickenpox
13. How did the Dust Bowl affect communities when people would move out?

14. What organization was formed by John McCarty? _____
15. What was the crow's nest made of? _____
16. What did Thornton do to try to make it rain? _____
17. What did Hugh Bennett do to get the Congressmen to take action?
18. Name the film the government produced about the Dust Bowl? _____
19. When did the soil conservation measures begin? _____ How effective were they?
20. When did the drought end (what year)? _____