

**U.S. History**  
**Unit 8**  
**The Roaring Twenties Webquest**

Using the websites provided, answer the following questions about important people, places, and events of the 1920s.

**Movies in the 1920s:** <http://www.filmsite.org/20sintro.html>

1. Which format was used for movies of the 1910s and 1920s?



2. Locate at least one film in which the following actors and actresses starred:

Charlie Chaplin Mary Pickford Douglas Fairbanks Al Jolson
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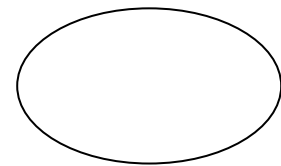
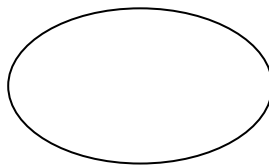
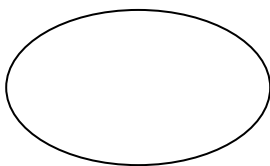
3. What was significant about the movie *The Jazz Singer*?



**1920s Culture:**

4. Name and draw new inventions of the 1920s:

<http://www.msad54.org/sahs/socialstudies/finely/1920s/1920gr3/Inventions.html>



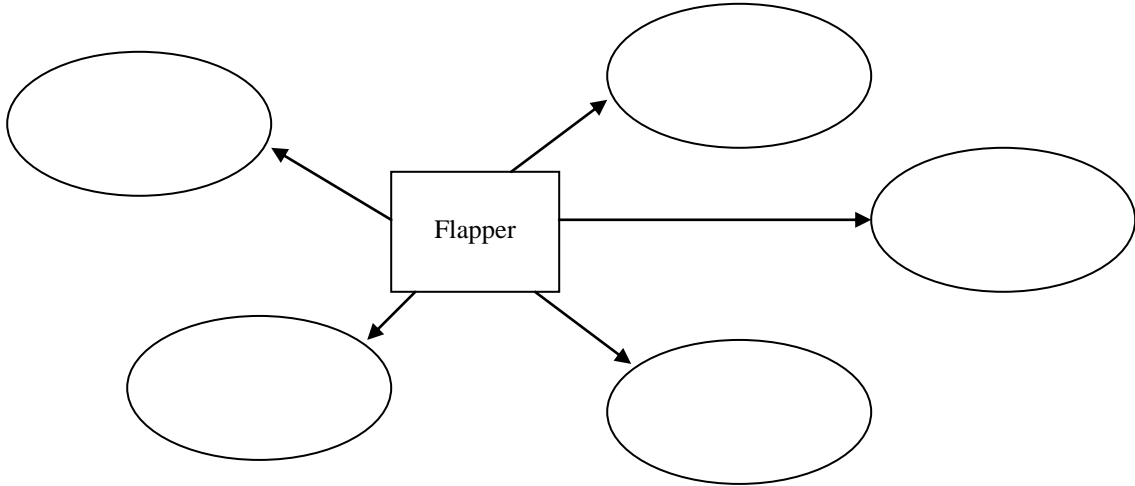
5. Define the following slang terms: <http://local.aaca.org/bntc/slang/slang.htm>

“cat’s meow”  
“a clam”  
“dry up”  
“flivver”

“fly boy”  
“goofy”  
“hooper”  
“juice joint”

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6. Watch the video located at <http://vodpod.com/watch/235856-flappers-the-roaring-twenties>  
Then, write five adjectives to describe a **flapper**:



**History of Jazz:** <http://meltingpot.fortunecity.com/zaire/721/historyframe.htm>

7. From which city was Louis Armstrong, one of the greatest jazz musicians of all time?



8. Which city was the birthplace of jazz music?



9. Name two other jazz musicians from the 1920s:

10. Where was Tin Pan Alley?



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**Harlem Renaissance:** <http://www.biography.com/blackhistory/harlem-renaissance.jsp>

11. Write a definition of the **Harlem Renaissance** that uses at least six adjectives (circle the adjectives):

12. Female author of *Their Eyes Were Watching God*?

[http://www.zoranealehurston.com/books/their\\_eyes\\_were\\_watching\\_god.html](http://www.zoranealehurston.com/books/their_eyes_were_watching_god.html)

13. The poem *Silhouette* by Langston Hughes focused on which southern event?

<http://nbu.bg/webs/amb/american/4/hughes/silhouette.htm>

**1920s Authors:** <http://library.thinkquest.org/C005846/categories/artliter/artslit.htm>

14. This author wrote books about heroes who were disillusioned with life and engaged in physical struggles to solve their problems (including *The Sun Also Rises* and *Farewell to Arms*):



15. This author coined the terms “flapper” and “jazz age” as he wrote with a carefree style about the 1920s. His books include *The Great Gatsby*:



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**Sports in the 1920s:** <http://www.sportplanet.com/sbb/apfas/20R.HTM>

16. Name a leading athlete for each of the following sports:



17. What was Charles Lindbergh's claim to fame? <http://www.acepilots.com/lindbergh.html>

**1920s Crime and Justice:** <http://www.slideshare.net/guesswhatgracie/crime-in-the-1920s30s>

18. Name three major gangsters from this period:



19. Write a possible newspaper headline from the 1920s court case which put a Tennessee teacher on trial for including the topic of evolution in his biology classes (include the name of the trial):

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=4723956>

**1920s Automobiles:**

20. Which color could you choose if you were purchasing a new Model T?

