The student will describe Franklin Roosevelt’s New Deal as a response to the depression and compare the ways governmental programs aided those in need.
Fireside Chats

- A series of radio addresses that attempted to inform and calm the masses listening.
In what ways does FDR attempt to ease the economic tensions of the time period?
The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)

- The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) helped farmers and created jobs and energy for the Tennessee River Valley.
- This helped to create jobs in the very poor South.
- It also allowed for the control of rivers that often flooded and damaged property.
Did Everyone Agree with what FDR was doing?
Huey Long

- He was the Democratic governor of Louisiana.
- He disagreed with Roosevelt’s plans and ideas.
- He proposed redistributing the wealth of America to try and curb the poverty and crime of the Great Depression.
“Court Packing”

- Because the Supreme Court had overturned some of FDR’s plans, he wanted to change the Supreme Court to help his goals.
- FDR wanted the number of judges changed from 9 to 15 (to "pack the court").
- There was great opposition to this idea (FDR was in effect changing the Constitution), so he withdrew this proposal.
Some people believed that US entering WWI was orchestrated by big business.

The US passed Neutrality Acts in 1935, 1936 and 1937 that prohibited the US from selling arms to any belligerent nation.

Roosevelt didn’t like that these acts prevented the US from helping its allies.