

STINGING DUST FORGOTTEN LIVES



THE DUST BOWL

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Film Summary

Answer the questions as the film plays. After class on Friday, take the quiz on WebCT before 12PM, Wednesday, January 20. No late quizzes will be accepted. You may use this sheet to take the quiz.

- 1. How was the Dust Bowl a significant event in environmental and human history?
- 2. Why was the Great Plains a "Promised Land" for the farmers from the east?
- 3. Briefly describe the Great Plains before human settlement. How unique is this landscape?
- 4. What was the hidden character of the land unknown to the farmers from the east?
- 5. How did technology change? In your opinion, why was this a detrimental shift?
- 6. What is good soil and bad soil? What created bad soil?

- 7. The Great Plains are well known for what other meteorological occurrence?
- 8. What were some hardships humans had to deal with from blowing dust?
- 9. What was the farmer's standpoint to this event? How hard do you think it was to deal with?
- 10. Why was one mile more important than ten miles?

11. What do you believe was the reason Imogene Chapin wrote and recorded her poem?

12. What were the two causes of the Dust Bowl?

13. There is a lesson passed on from the children of the Dust Bowl, what is that lesson?