

New Deal = New Midway

This Fair is History

GAMERS

QUEST 7 US HISTORY

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS CURRICULUM

STUDENT EDITION

Recap

You will be going to the State Fair to check out the Midway and consider how it's changed since the very first time it opened, way back in 1936. As you walk past the games and rides, imagine which ones might have been around all those years ago, and which ones are brand new!

STATE FAIR MAP



Recall from your discussion in class:

- ★ What were the Great Depression and the New Deal, how did we get the State Fair from that, and how did it help Texas?
- ★ The 1936 Texas Centennial Exhibition was a World's Fair that lasted from June 6–November 29, 1936.
- ★ The first Fair marked the 100th anniversary of Texas' Independence from Mexico.
- ★ Refer to the following links for more information, if you would like:

- o Handbook of Texas Online, "Texas Centennial," <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/lkt01>
- o Pictures of the 1936 Texas Centennial: <http://www.dallasnews.com/photos/20130925-texas-centennial-exhibition-1936-photos.ece>
- o "The Great Depression and World War II: 1930–1945" by Carlyn Hammons: <http://texasourttexas.texaspbs.org/the-eras-of-texas/great-depression-ww2/>
- o "These Vivid Photos Show Texas During The Great Depression And Wartime" by Eric Aasen: <http://keranews.org/post/these-vivid-photos-show-texas-during-great-depression-and-wartime>



https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph951/ml/1/med_res/



Plan Your Route

- ★ Begin at the Texas Star Ferris wheel.
- ★ Circle around the gaming area to continue exploring.
- ★ You will end your Quest at Big Tex.



Optional Materials to Bring

- ★ Pen or Pencil
- ★ Notebook or Paper
- ★ Smartphone or Tablet
- ★ Camera

$$EF \parallel AD, EF = (a + b) / 2$$

E =
y^

New Deal = New Midway

This Fair is History

GAMERS

QUEST 7 US HISTORY

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS CURRICULUM

While You're There

You will use information you gather at the State Fair to help you with THREE project goals:

1. Use the info you gather on games and rides to create a visual poster about how they changed, once you get back to school
2. Design a whole new ride for the future!
3. Imagine you worked at the 1936 Texas Centennial, and write diary entries



You will work on those three projects back at school.

The objective of your visit TODAY is to observe the Midway area of the Fair and evaluate the effectiveness of the New Deal legislation in providing new jobs to the Texas economy during the Great Depression. You will also need to take note of some rides and games you observe.

- ★ **New Deal = New Midway:** Observe the rides and games in the Midway.
- o Note (in your notebook, electronic device, or the table below) what kind of jobs you see in the Midway area of the Fair. List at least ten.
 - o Note some games and rides you observe. List at least two games and two rides.
 - o Optional: take pictures of the games and rides you wrote down.

Jobs	Games
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	
4.	Rides
5.	1.
6.	2.
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	



Back at School

When you return to class following your State Fair visit, you will work on your three projects. See your teachers for more information.