

Congress Investigates: The Senate Investigation of the Stock Exchange during the Great Depression

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Worksheet 2: Document Analysis

1. Who wrote the document and when?
2. To whom is it addressed?
3. Based on evidence in the document, why did the author write it?
4. What does this document say about how the government should address economic issues?
5. What does this document say about how Stock Market activities affected Americans?
6. How credible is the author on the topic of the document?
7. What does this document contribute to your understanding of the lesson's Guiding Question: What did the work of the Pecora Committee show about Congress's responsibility to investigate issues of concern, and how did correspondence sent to the committee illustrate the range of public opinions about increased government regulation of Wall Street during the Great Depression?

