

## PROHIBITION IN THE UNITED STATES

- 1) What was the other name for National Prohibition ? The .....
- 2) Which year did it start ? .....With which amendment to the Constitution ? .....
- 3) Write the 3 things which were forbidden during the Prohibition : .....

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### ALCOHOL IN AMERICA

Find the English words for : l'ivresse – sobre – ivrogne – excès de boisson .....

Alcohol was used as a ..... : it replaced .....(it made people sleep, or at least they did not feel pain any more) and it was also used to .....infection. Finally, .....were given some before a battle because it made them more courageous !

### THE ORIGINS OF PROHIBITION

What are the 2 organizations which greatly helped the cause of Prohibition ?

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Religion also played an important role. How did churchmen nickname alcohol ?

.....and .....

### PROHIBITIONS LAWS

Was alcohol prohibited in certain states before 1920 ?  yes  no

What was a dry state ? What was a wet state ? .....

What was the major difference between the 18th Amendment (January 1919) and the Volstead Act (October 1919) ?

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### CORRUPTION

What was a bootlegger ? .....

Why was the police so easy to bribe (= corrupt) ? .....

What did politicians accept to do in exchange for large sums of money ? .....

### CRIME

What do these figures correspond to ?

78 % = .....

41 % = .....

81 % = .....

561 % = .....

2/3 = .....

What is this man's name ? .....  
 What was his nickname ? .....  
 Who was he ? .....  
 One day, he ordered the brutal murder of some of his enemies. What is that day called ?  
 .....



On which charge was he arrested and imprisoned ? .....  
 Which famous prison did he go to ? .....  
 Apart from crime, what other harmful effects did Prohibition have ?  
 - .....  
 - .....  
 - .....  
 - .....

**HOW PEOPLE GOT LIQUOR**

What was a speakeasy ? .....  
 Was it legal ? ..... Who owned speakeasies ? .....  
 Was it easy to enter ? Why ? .....  
 Find the words for : maison close – le jeu (jeux d'argent) – discothèque .....  
 How could people get liquor legally ? .....

**REPEAL OF PROHIBITION**

Which year did Prohibition end ? .....Who was President then ? .....  
 Did it mean that all states were obliged to abandon Prohibition ? Give examples. ....  
 .....

**THE** .....(this is the name given to the 1920s in the U.S.)

What did they begin with ? (2 answers) .....  
 Did they end happily or tragically ? Why ? .....  
 What was the most popular music of the prohibition age ? ..... How did public opinion consider it ? .....  
 Give the name of a famous dance of the time : .....  
 Where could people go and listen to that music ? .....  
 Write the names of 2 very famous artists (a musician and a dancer) of the time : .....  
 Find the word meaning : faire la contrebande de = .....

**MOVIES**

What kind of movies were particularly popular at that time ? .....  
 Name 2 of them : .....and .....  
 The **Hays Code** said what movies could and could not show. Sum up the 3 important ideas it contained :  
 - .....  
 - .....



Paul Muni  
in "Scarface" (1932)



James Cagney & Humphrey Bogart  
in "The Roaring Twenties" (1938)