

LC – Can I identify the differences between rich and poor forms of entertainment in the 1920s?

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What was the most popular entertainment?

Entertainment in the 1920s was dominated by radio and movies. Radio became a household name, and movies were a popular way to spend leisure time. The Great Depression led to a decline in movie attendance, but radio remained a popular form of entertainment.



When did entertainment begin?

Entertainment has existed since ancient times, but modern forms like radio and movies began in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The 1920s saw a significant rise in the popularity of these forms of entertainment.



What role did Entertainment play in the 1920s?

Entertainment played a large role in the 1920s. It provided a way for people to escape their daily lives and enjoy a different world. It also helped to spread new ideas and technologies.

What kind of entertainment for poor people and rich people is there a difference?

There was a significant difference in the types of entertainment enjoyed by the rich and the poor. The rich could afford expensive leisure activities like travel and fine dining, while the poor had to make do with more affordable options like radio and movies.

What kind of entertainment for poor people and rich people is there a difference?

A difference became more noticeable in the 1920s. The rich could afford to travel to Europe and enjoy the latest in fashion and technology. The poor, however, had to stay in their homes and enjoy the radio and movies. This led to a growing gap in leisure activities between the two classes.

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The working class

The working class did not have enough money to spend on extravagant leisure activities like the rich people. New electricity grids meant more factories and more domestic innovations. Inventions such as the electric iron, gas stove, refrigerator and washing machine reduced the amount of time in house cleaning and day-to-day living (if you could afford them). This reduced labor meant more time for entertainment and leisure. Almost every family had a radio. Going to the 'ticks' was a cheap and popular form of entertainment. Playing sports or spending time with the family was also a fun and price-free activity.



Entertainment in the 1920s

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What was the most popular entertainment?

People would go out dancing, at dance halls and clubs, jazz music was very popular in the 20s, and the dances that were popular included the Charleston, the foxtrot and the Black Bottom. Going to the theatre was popular, and vaudeville (where a variety of different acts would perform, singers, dancers, comedians, conjurors, acrobats etc), circuses. Sport was popular of course, both for watching and for participating. Golf, tennis, and swimming were all sports that were very fashionable in the 20s, and people would flock to football and baseball matches just like they do nowadays.



What kind of entertainment for kids, adults and elderly?

During the 1920s and 1930s people were coming up with new and exciting ways to keep themselves entertained.

Kids' entertainment: girls would play imaginary games with their dolls. Boys frequently played games of imagination, such as cops and robbers and cowboys and Indians.

Adults entertainment: Although not many people in our modern day society go for joyrides in their cars, in the 1920s and 1930s going for a ride in your new Model-T or Model-A motorcar was the one of the best family outings there was. Beaches like Bondi were also growing in popularity.

Elderlies' entertainment: board and game cards.

The wireless (radio) had just been introduced as well. People could sit down for hours at a time and listen to their set.

What role did Entertainment play in the 1920s?

Entertainment played a large role in the 1920s. This include movies, music, sport and other forms of entertainment. Many people struggled with the changes but others were thankful and grateful about the changes.

In the 1920s reading was a large impact on People's education it helped them gain knowledge.

Movies were very popular in the 1920s they were very exciting for the people who had just experience war.

When did entertainment begin?

In the 20's entertainment made a big impact on the lives of Americans.

There were many types of entertainment. During the 20's Hollywood started producing movies it began getting its fame for this industry. Movie stars such as Greta Garbo and Rudolf Valentino were considered to be great idols or heroes of all time.

Radios were very exciting and new to the 20's because usually news was brought to people by newspaper. There many major radio stations companies the (NBC) and (CBS).

Baseball, boxing, swimming, golf and football were all new and important to people. Baseball legend Babe Ruth, boxer Jack Dempsey, swimmer Gertade Ederle and others. People spent a lot of their money to buy tickets to the sporting events in 1920- today.



What kind of entertainment for poor people and rich people? Is there a difference?

Australia became more materialistic and by 1928 Australians had 500 000 cars, 300 000 radios and 400 000 telephones. Australia ranked among the top five nations in car ownership.

Unlike the poor, the wealthy could afford the new technology which includes transportation. Many wealthy families continued to indulge in trips to the beach and holidays, either travelling by motorcars including Rolls-Royces or Cadillacs, or on luxuriously-appointed trains such as the Sprit of Progress. The very wealthy who went on an annual trip to London from Australia, travelled on great ocean liners of the Peninsula & Orient (P&O) or the Orient Line. The wealthy also had more time on their hands for entertainment because they can employ servants to do housework. The wealthy would go to theatres, play sports, play

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