Evaluating Deeper Questions Answer Key

Part 1:

- 1. What caused the Dust Bowl?
 - ➤ Dust storms that destroyed crops and homes.
- 2. Why did families leave their homes?
 - ➤ Because they couldn't grow food or make a living.
- 3. How did people try to survive during the Dust Bowl?
 - Took any job, shared resources, stayed hopeful.
- 4. What might have been the hardest part of this experience for families?
 - ➤ Possibly losing homes, not having food, or starting over.
- 5. Do you think moving to California helped these families? Why or why not?
 - ➤ Answers may vary but should be supported with reasoning from the passage (e.g., "Some still struggled, so it didn't always help").

Part 2:

- 6. **Factual** This is directly answered in the text.
- 7. **Factual** Specific survival strategies are described.
- 8. **Inferential** Requires reasoning and empathy.
- 9. **Evaluative** Involves judgment and interpretation.
- 10. **Evaluative** Asks for a reflective or moral lesson based on the passage.

