**COMPARING HOOVER AND FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT**

**AND THEIR PLANS FOR THE UNITED STATES**

Directions: answer the following in complete sentences.

*Warm up:*

What’s the purpose of an inaugural address\*? *\*the speech a president gives when he takes office – his first formal address to the nation as President.*

Who is the intended audience of an inaugural address?

How will that impact WHAT is being said and HOW it is being said? Why?

**HOOVER’S INAUGURAL ADDRESS**

*Engage prior content:*

Historical context: Hoover became president in 1928. What were successes that the US experienced in the 1920s?

What were problems faced by the US in the 1920s?

*Close reading:*  
After reading and annotating the excerpts from Hoover’s speech, answer:

What were Hoover’s main goals outlined in his speech?

What was the overall tone of the speech? Provide a specific quote that proves your answer.

**FDR’S INAUGURAL ADDRESS**

*Engage prior content:*

Historical context: Franklin Delano Roosevelt became president in 1933. What were problems faced by the US in the 1920s and 1930s?

*Close reading:*  
After reading and annotating the excerpts from Roosevelt’s speech, answer:

What were Roosevelt’s main goals outlined in his speech?

What was the overall tone of the speech? Provide a specific quote that proves your answer.

*Closure:*

In your opinion, who provides a stronger plan for the United States’ future? (History aside – do you agree with Hoover’s idea of individualism? Or do you agree with Roosevelt’s government intervention?)