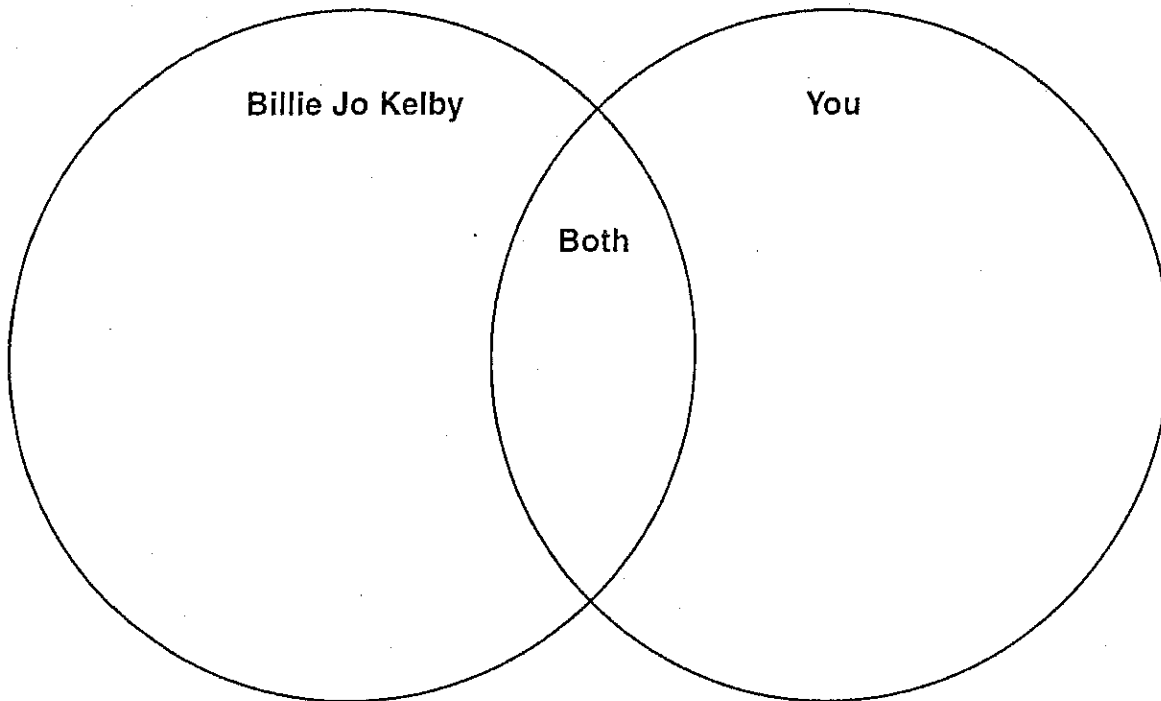


Compare and Contrast

Compare and contrast yourself with Billie Jo. How are you alike and how are you different? What types of experiences do you share? How are your experiences different? Think of your community, your family life, your economic status, and your friends. List your similarities and differences below.



Select someone in your family or in your neighborhood whom you could interview about the Great Depression. This may be someone who is old enough to remember the Depression years or someone who has heard the stories of another who lived through the experience. Below are some suggestions for interview questions. You may add to this list. After the interview, draw a Venn diagram like the one above on the back of this paper. Compare and contrast your experiences with those of the person you interviewed.

Interview Questions:

1. How old were you during the Depression?
2. What do you remember about the Depression?
3. Describe your home and family circumstances.
4. Did you know anyone who lost his or her job?
5. What did you usually eat in one day?
6. What are some lessons our country learned from the Depression?
7. What surprised you the most about your experiences?
8. Tell about a very happy and a very sad time during the Depression. What good things came from your experience?
9. Do you remember what the newspaper and the radio said about the Depression?
10. When faced with a problem, what did you and others do to handle the problem?