



Jobless Men Keep Going

A set of stencils that can be printed and cut out for application wherever, and also a text that can be enlarged and used as a protest sign or also used as a stencil.

Plus a number of related scripted actions or scenarios that anyone can act out or perform.



Cut out black areas to create stencil



Situation 1 - Free Speech

Dress up in Depression era garb like in the image on the other side of this page. Find a public spot and set up a soapbox or milk crate or other small platform (12" or so high) to stand on. Copy the gesture in the photograph and otherwise gesticulate as if you are making an inspiring speech. You can mime or speak, hell, you can give an actual speech. Carry on for as long as you feel interested/able.

Bring friends also dressed appropriately to listen to you.

Bring this booklet with you to help explain to the police when they come to ask what you are doing.



Situation 2 - Po' Boy

Dress up like the person pictured on the other side of this sheet.
Wear your "costume" for a day or longer, as you like.
Suggest your friends dress up too. Hang out on
the street together.



Situation 3 - Free Soup

Invite a group of friends (alternately post an invitation in a local community newspaper) to a “depression era” costume party. Invite them to come to a particular address at a particular time, preferably a place with high visibility like an abandoned storefront on a busy street. Prior to the event, paint the words “FREE SOUP” on the window of the storefront. At the appointed time, people arrive but the door is locked. Guests will mill about, possibly line up, simulating the image used on the other side of this sheet.

In fact why not use the image on the invitation?

Situation 4 - Citizens not Transients

Mount this sheet on a piece of cardboard (other side facing out) and attach it to a stick to make a placard. Carry it around in public.

Enlarge the graphic using a photocopier for more impact.

Leave it somewhere for others to find.

Or just put this sheet up as a sign randomly.

Or cut out the letters to make a stencil.

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not
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