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The paper aims to compare the Great Depression of the United States to the current economic upheaval in the Southern African nation of Zimbabwe. The main impetus is to come up with a reason to explain why the United States economy can rebound when it gets into turmoil, where as the economy of a third world nation, like Zimbabwe cannot.

To begin with the author tackles the Great depression from the view of a foreign national unaccustomed to a lot of American nuances. He analyses the data from an economic, sociological and political perspective. The author gives a detailed account of the major issues that caused the depression economically, sociologically and politically with adequate data in the form of figures to back the claims.

The author gives a three pole analysis of the Zimbabwean economy after independence in 1980. From its initial foundation in Socialism, to its change to a Capitalist economy, the author tries to bring the ordinary lay man a sense of understanding of the main economic dynamics that are present in the current Zimbabwean economy. Figures are given from credible Zimbabwean and international sources, which helps this part of the paper act as a brief summary of a case study of the economic situation in Zimbabwe.

After setting up the framework for comparison the author then compares the two situations, looking at it from an angle of somebody who wants to explain why the USA can easily rebound from economic misfortune and Zimbabwe cannot. Some strong theories come in at this point in an effort to stimulate the reader into some kind of discourse about the subject matter. The author ends by telling people how difficult it is to implement policies that work in the USA in a country like Zimbabwe.