

# WORKSHEET

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## Wildcatter: A Story of Texas Oil (1985)

Define Wildcatter.

How does a wildcatter spread out his risk?

What are some of the ways that oil prospectors to determine where to drill for oil?

What were some of the problems with early oil production in Spindletop?

Was the first oil boom profitable for everyone?

In the video, how long does it take the modern wildcatters to reach the first oil bearing formation?

Define boom town using the town of Texon as an example.

Why were investors mad at Columbus "Dad" Joiner during the drilling of the Daisy Bradford wells?

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What is 'drilling mud' and what is it used for?

What were some problems the people in the town of Kilgore faced after oil was discovered in the area?

Why was there so much waste in early oil drilling?

Define proration.

What are the benefits of proration? The disadvantages?

What happens to boom towns when oil production dries up?

**Critical Thinking:** What are the benefits and disadvantages of oil production to a community? What are some ways to make oil production have the most benefit to the economy and the community?

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