Influenza 1918

Directions: Answer the following questions as you watch the film

1. Where was it believed that the flu outbreak started? How many people died there?
2. How did the flu reach Europe and come back to the United States?
3. What were some of the symptoms of the flu?
4. How did the American war effort help the flue to spread in American cities?
5. What were some of the thigns people believed could be causes of the flu?
6. Why was there a shortage of doctors and nurses?
7. How did the flu kill people?
8. Why did the flu vaccine not work?
9. What different things did people use in an attempt to cure or prevent the flu?
10. How many people in the United States died from the flu in September, 1918?
11. What was unusual about the people who were killed by the 1918 flu compared to a normal flu?
12. Why did General Pershing need more American soldiers in Europe? Why was it a risk for the president to send them?
13. How many Americans died from the flu in the 31 days of October, 1918?
14. How did society start to break down as a result of the flu epidemic?
15. What began to happen to the flu by November, 1918? What else happened that month?
16. Why did the flu finally decline and disappear?
17. How many Americans died in 10 months from the flu? How many are estimated to have died around the world? How many were estimated to have been infected?