

ACTIVITY **Interpreting Political Cartoons**



New Deal Policies

The New Deal had three main goals: to provide immediate help to millions of Americans, to improve the economy, and to reform laws that favored the rich and powerful over the poor and powerless. People called these the "Three Rs" of relief, recovery, and reform. Several relief measures became law during the first 100 days.



Study the cartoon below, then answer the questions that follow.



Analyzing the Cartoon

1. Who is the man sitting in the chair? What is his health condition, according to the cartoonist?

2. Who is the man standing with the bag? What role does the cartoonist have him playing?

3. What is the meaning of the bottles on the table?

4. Give the full names of two of the programs labeled by letters in the cartoon.

5. What is the meaning of the statement, "Of course we may have to change remedies if we don't get results."?