**Fads and Trends of 1920’s USA**

Some of the more popular (and obscure) fads and trends included:

**Flagpole sitting** – *was a fad in 1920s America which consisted of sitting on top of a pole for extended amounts of time for endurance and sport. Many people came to watch. Ten minute breaks were allowed every two hours. The record in the 1920s for the amount of time spent on top of a flagpole was set by Alvin Kelly and stood at 49 days.*

**Mahjong** – *was popular in 1920s America, it originally came from China. It is a game that can be played by four people and anyone from the age of four can play. It is a game of chance and the skills needed include memory and observation. There is no definite playing time, it can take under 60 minutes or forever, so you have to be prepared for a long game!*

**Women in 1920’s USA**

*The role of women changed a lot in 1920s USA. They dressed more elaborately they started doing things that they would never have even considered doing before and that were primarily reserved for men, such as smoking and drinking alcohol. Women were becoming more daring due to their new status in America at that time, they had more input and choice. They gained the right to vote in the 1920s and this made women feel more adequate.*