

TEACHER'S UNIT GUIDE: YEARS OF CHANGE

From the 1960s to 2000 Canada experienced much change. New events impacted Canadian identity, French-English relations experience highs and lows, Canada established itself as a peacekeeping nation and the new millennium has also bring change to Canada. This unit seeks to evaluate these changes.

Unit Goals

With each of the activity packages are a set of goals. These goals correlate to ministry standards in Ontario, Canada, and likely parallel the standards in other regions as well.

Organization of the Unit

The unit is organized into a series of thematic activities packages. However, the main portion of the unit is the Problem Based Learning Project. A considerable amount of time will be spent on preparing for the project and presenting the research.

Unit Themes

- French-English Relations
- Canadian Identity
- 1980s: A Changing World
- Canada and Peacekeeping
- Towards a New Future

Unit Guide

This unit guide is intended to help teachers understand how to use the unit resources. Within the package you will find:

Unit Activities Explanation: Lists files, resources, duration and tips for each theme.

Suggested Unit Resources: Movies, textbooks, websites etc.

Unit Evaluations: A description of each of the evaluations.

Schedule: A day-to-day suggestion of how to organize the unit.

Additional Notes:

- These activities can be separated and supplemented with various videos and documentaries (listed within).
- Please note that the internet will be needed to complete these activities. However, most textbooks will also be helpful in the completion of the activities. Spotlight Canada works well.
- Also included within the unit is an interactive Smartboard file. These files are excellent review activities for students and can actually be completed without a smartboard at home or at school—details within.
- I hope you find these resources useful in helping your students learn!

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Unit Activities Explanation			
Theme:	Files	Teacher Tips	Duration
French-English Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1 Activities Package: French-English Relations 2.2 Quiet Revolution 2.3 The October Crisis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This packages covers events and concepts dealing with French-English relations from 1960 to the present. The website, "canadahistory.com" is a very helpful resource in completing each activity. This theme has a direct connection to our lives today. Consider discussing a few of the examples listed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> French courses are mandatory in schools. French and English must be on packaging. Both languages are acceptable in government. In conjunction with this package, show episode 16 of the documentary, "Canada a People's History." The episode is entitled, "Years of Hope and Anger," In addition, show segments of episode 17, "In an Uncertain World," that connects with the Charlotte-town and Meech Lake Accords. 	3 Classes
Canadian Identity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1 Activities Package: Canadian Identity 3.2 Developments of the 1970s 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This activities package focuses on events and changes that have impacted Canadian identity. Most students will have a connection to recent immigration whether it be themselves, their parents or their grandparents. When discussing the topic of immigration encourage students to share their ancestral story. The article in activity four was originally published in the Hamilton Spectator. Print this article prior to class for each of the students. A good "hook" to activity 5 is to show some YouTube clips of the events. 	2 Classes
In the 70s for a Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.1 In the 70s for a Day 4.2 Active Review—70s Trivia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a fun day where students learn a little about what it may have been like to live in the 70s. Detailed teacher instructions are included. In order to fit all the activities into one day, watch the clock closely! 	1 Class
1980s in the News	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5.1 1980s in the News 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will be watching actual news footage from the 1980s, courtesy of CBC Archives, and interviewing a relative about life in the 1980s. The events seem more real when the students see actual news clips that show the emotion of the event. Prior to this activity ensure that the computers to be used have the proper version of "Flash" installed. Activity 2 has students interviewing a relative—encourage students to share their interview the next day. 	1 Class

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Canada and Peacekeeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1 Activities Package—Canada and Peacekeeping 6.2 Canada and Peacekeeping (ppt) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This package evaluates whether Canada is a peacekeeping, peace-building or peacemaking nation. Activity 4 has students watch the movie, “Shake Hands with the Devil,” about the genocide in Rwanda in 1994. This movie reveals the challenges of peacekeeping. It also contains some very graphic scenes. Preview prior to showing and alert students. 	3 Classes
Towards a New Future	9.1 Discussion—Towards a New Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This activity is a discussion on the future of Canada. When dividing up the groups ensure that there is a designated leader in each group to ensure that discussion rules are followed. Each discussion question should last around 5—7 minutes. 	1 Class
Unit Review	8.1 SMB Review Activity—Years of Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A review activity that students can complete at home or at school without a Smartboard. Students save the file and then load it from the website listed below. No need to install any programs! <p style="text-align: center;">http://express.smarttech.com/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is also a good activity to start off a class. 	

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Suggested Unit Resources

Resource Name	Type	Notes	Duration
Canada a People's History: Episode 16 and 17	• DVD	• This DVD series can be ordered through cbc.ca. Additional episodes are required for the next unit, "Years of Change."	2 hrs.
Spotlight Canada	• Text	• Not essential to the unit, but this is the text I use in my class and have found it helpful in completing section of the activities.	NA
the-map-as-history.com	• Website	• The monthly subscription costs are reasonable. There are also several hundred other map animations that may be beneficial for other history courses you teach. A worthwhile investment for your school.	NA
canadahistory.com	• website	• Great website for anything Canadian history.	NA

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Unit Evaluations

- There are purposely no unit evaluations for “Years of Change.” The reasoning behind this is that students need to focus on preparing for the exam and do not need to be overburdened with more projects towards the end of the year.
- Near the end of the unit ensure that the exam review sheet and review activities package has been handed out so that students get a head start on exam preparation. You may even decide to make this an evaluation.

Unit Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
French-English Relations	French-English Relations	French-English Relations	Canadian Identity	Canadian Identity
In the 70s for a Day	1980s in the News	Canada and Peacekeeping	Canada and Peacekeeping	Canada and Peacekeeping
Towards a New Future				