

Student Handout

The Grade 10 Canadian History course is designed so students can follow Canada through a growth process from the Laurier Era to the present. Through your studies it should now become evident that Canada has truly “unfolded” into a mature, responsible and strong nation.

However, this journey to maturity was not always one Canadians could be proud of. Some negative aspects of Canada’s development have emerged where the Canadian government or Canadian citizens made unjust or discriminatory decisions. But, like all growth, this was a learning process for Canada, and at this point in time, Canadians can say that there is much to be proud of.

For your culminating activity you are to create trading cards to commemorate the last 105 years of our great nation, Canada (1900-2005).

GUIDELINES

1. You must make 10 trading cards. Each may be the size of a card in a regular deck of cards.
2. All 10 cards are to be packaged together (in a box of some sort) and must appear as they would if the product were for sale in a Souvenir Store.
3. Cards #6 and #7 of the cards are to focus on positive aspects of Canada’s past. While cards #3 and #4 are to focus on the negative aspects of Canada’s past. (Event, person, invention, etc)
4. Select the ten subjects from five different times in Canadian history (2 each) from:
 1. The Laurier Era
 2. First World War
 3. Roaring Twenties/ Dirty Thirties
 4. Second World War
 5. Post war to the Present
5. The front of the card is a visual to represent the topic you have chosen. No words are needed on the front of the card, be creative and use the entire area. To keep the look crisp, a border is a good idea.

The back of the card will have the title of the event, person, object, that is the focus of the card, clearly printed in a visible fashion.
6. The remainder of the back of the card is to be divided into two sections/ paragraphs of printing. The first section gives a brief history or explanation of the event, person, invention etc. The second section should explain how Canada grew into the nation that it is today partly because of the experience (or person or invention) you are describing. This is the historical significance for Canada.