Times of Turmoil – Canada in the 1960s and 1970s

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1. What fraction of Canada's population was under 25 in 1965?

2. What is a "counterculture"?

3. Describe the "hippie phenomenon" of the 1960s.

4. How did Canadian governments react to the large numbers of young people in this era?

5. Why did the social protest movement by the baby boomers fade out in the 1980s?

6. Do you think the police should infiltrate protest organizations?

7. What happened to women after WWII?

8. What did Betty Friedman urge women to do?

9. What is a "feminist"?

10. Compare the suffragist and feminist movements.

11. What did the "Royal Commission on the Status of Women" recommend?

12. What is a "pressure group"?
13. Why was the "National Action Committee on the Status of Women" formed in 1971?

14. Why did feminist groups want schools to encourage girls to excel in math and science courses?

15. What is meant by the term "civil liberties"?

16. What was the "Canadian Bill of Rights"?

17. What did it promise Canadians?

18. Read the side bar on page 209 that describes John Diefenbaker's political career and accomplishments. Which do you think is his most important achievement? Why?

19. What was included in PM Trudeau's 1969 Omnibus Bill?

20. Who was Dr. Henry Morgentaler?

21. Who benefited most from the Omnibus Bill - women or gays? Explain.

22. What does the term "multiculturalism" mean?

23. Why was it adopted?

24. Canada's immigration policy became "colour blind" in 1967. What did this mean?

25. Do you think this resulted in more "persons of colour" being able to emigrate to Canada from underdeveloped countries? Explain.

26. What does the term "marginalized" mean?

27. How were residents of Toronto's Chinatown and Halifax's Africville marginalized in the 1960s?

28. What does it mean to be "disenfranchised"?

29. What problems faced Aboriginal communities in the 1960s?
30. What was the "White Paper of 1969"?

31. What was its underlying goal?

32. What was the response of Aboriginal people?

33. What was the "Red Paper"?

34. How did Aboriginal education change in the 1970s?

35. What does the term "lobby" mean?

36. What is the significance of the Berger Commission?

37. What is the "Aboriginal Pipeline Group"?

38. How did Lester Pearson and John Diefenbaker differ in their views of Canada?

39. Why did Canada adopt a new flag in 1965?

40. What was the "Medical Care Act"?

41. Why might PM Pearson's Liberal government have introduced this program?

42. What was "Trudeaumania"?

43. What was Pierre Trudeau's vision of a "just society"?

44. Who replaced Maurice Duplessis soon after his death in 1959?

45. What was the "Quiet Revolution"?

46. How did it change the educational system in Quebec?
47. What was meant by the Quebec Liberal campaign slogan "Maîtres chez nous"?

48. What sparked interest in "separatism" in Quebec in the 1960s and 1970s?

49. What was the "FLQ"?

50. Who was Rene Levesque?

51. What was the "PQ"?

52. Read the side bar on page 219 that describes Lester Pearson's political career and accomplishments. Which do you think is his most important achievement? Why?

53. What was the "Bi and Bi Commission"?

54. What was the "Official Languages Act"?

55. What impact did it have?

56. Comment on the meaning of the cartoon in Figure 7-16.

57. What was the "October Crisis"?

58. What is "The War Measures Act"?

59. How did PM Trudeau use it?

60. What was "Bill 22"?

61. Why did Premier Bourassa implement it?

62. What impact did it have?

63. What did Rene Levesque promise electors in the 1976 Quebec election? Why?

64. What was "Bill 101"?
65. What did it impose?

66. Why did Premier Levesque feel it was necessary?

67. Read the quotations on p. 222. Evaluate the use of the War Measures Act in the October Crisis.

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68. What is an "embargo"?

69. What is "OPEC"?

70. Why did it impose an oil embargo in 1973?

71. What did it cause in the West?

72. Describe inflation's effect on Canada's economy.

73. What is "regional disparity"?

74. How did the inflation of the 1970s affect the different regions of Canada?

75. What was "Western alienation"?

76. How did the federal government respond to the oil embargo?

77. What was Canada's "National Energy Policy" under PM Trudeau?

78. How is the energy crisis of the 1970s different from today's?

79. PM Trudeau tried to reduce Canadian dependence on trade with the US. Why do you think he was not successful?

80. List five technological innovations from the 1960s and 1970s.

81. Who was Rachel Carson?
82. In what protest was Greenpeace involved in 1971?

83. Describe the relations between Canada's prime ministers and various US presidents in the 1960s and 1970s.

84. What were "bomarc missiles"?

85. What was the major issue during the 1963 federal election?

86. Why did many business leaders support the Liberals?


88. What was the Cuban Missile Crisis?

89. How did Canada respond to the crisis and the subsequent NORAD alert?

90. What was the "Monroe Doctrine"?

91. Who was right and who was wrong in the Cuban Missile Crisis? Explain.

92. What was the "domino effect"?

93. Why did the Vietnamese War have such an effect on the world?

94. What are "draft resisters"?

95. What happened in Vietnam after US President Nixon removed all US troops from the country?

96. How did Canada's role in the 1990 Gulf War represent a change in Canada's foreign policy?

97. How did PM Trudeau signal in 1970 that Canada's foreign policy would no longer be dependent on US approval?

98. How did PM Trudeau reduce Canada's participation in the nuclear arms race in the 1970s?
99. How did Canada maintain its military ties with the US even after PM Trudeau reduced Canada's defence department?

100. What is meant by the term "trade and aid"?

101. What was CIDA?

102. What is "tied aid"?

103. What was the 1972 "ABMT"?

104. Why did many Western nations boycott the 1980 Moscow Olympics?

105. Read the side bar on page 236 that describes Pierre Elliot Trudeau's political career and accomplishments. Which do you think is his most important achievement? Why?

106. What event prompted Canada to pass the Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act?

107. How has the possibility of global warming influenced claims to sovereignty over the Arctic?