

Social Studies 10



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Textbook – *Counter Points: Exploring Canadian Issues*

Introduction

Welcome to Social Studies 10.

This year we are looking at the key events that shaped the 20th Century, and thus forged our national identity. We will study the First World War, the Interwar Period, the Second World War, and the emergence of Modern Canada. We will also study the workings of democracy in Canada.

In short, we are looking at the social, economic, and political development of our country from 1914 to the Present.

So why study history?

Social Studies will help you understand the world, and hopefully prepare you to make a meaningful contribution as an active and informed citizen of Canada.

Mark Distribution

Terms 100%

Grade Evaluation

Exams 60%

Classwork 30%

Quizzes 10%

Final Exam

Senior Social Studies no longer has a Provincial Exam. Your mark will be the combined result of your exams, quizzes, and classwork.

You will work a little harder in class, but you no longer need to worry about studying for a Provincial Exam.

Strategies for Success

Social Studies 10 remains a content driven course, and consequently it is not easy. If you do not keep up with the class, there is a good chance you will not be happy with the results.

These guidelines will help ensure your success!

LATE: Come to class on time! We start most days with a review session before writing our quiz, so missing that review session may impact your performance. If you miss the quiz completely, please bring a signed note excusing your lateness.

ABSENCE: Attend class! Missing classes makes Social Studies 11 tough. If you are away, check the website to stay in the loop. It is only there to make life easier for you.

SUPPLIES: Come prepared. Bring your textbook, binder, pens, and papers.

CHEATING & PLAGERISM: Complete your own work. As per school policy, any cheating must be referred to the administration.

RESPECTFUL BEHAVIOUR: Treat everyone with respect, and consequently everyone will treat you with respect. Enough said.

LATE ASSIGNMENTS: Please note the guideline outlined in the Senior Social Studies Expectations and your Assignment Checks.

POOR GRADE: Work hard to earn a good mark in Social Studies 10. At this school if your mark drops below 50%, our conversation will probably involve you attending mandatory after school study sessions (AI). Avoid that if possible . . . life is way too short!