

WWII Total War Returns

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1) What year did the war start? When did it end?

1939 and it ended 1945

2) What is total war?

A war that involves an entire society
Civilians are considered fair targets.
in WW11 civilians experience great devastation.

Military Contributions

3) What was the significance of Canada's Navy? What did they do for the war effort?

Began with 6 Destroyers 5 minesweepers, 2 training ships and 7500 personnel

They were escorting merchant ships.

protecting the supply ships and merchant

4) What was the BCAPT? Name 3 reasons why the BCAPT was important to Canada as a rising nation.

British Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

1) Canada was the ideal country to take command of the training program

2) Canada demand full control of the program

3) Demonstrate commitment to the war effort

4) Maintaining control of British air space

5) Major contributions to the bombing campaign against the German

5) Why was Dieppe considered a disaster? What elements of the battle plan and battle ground made it so?

on high cliffs, during coming in of the tide, broad daylight attack
with air craft support. Battle was lost in 9 hours

6) What is the date of D-Day? What beach did Canadians land on? What did they accomplish?

June 6, 1944, They landed on Juno beach. Gained more
ground than any other Allied division

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Social Changes

1] How did the role of women, African Canadians, and French Canadians change in WWII in comparison to WWI?

At the end of the war 45000 women served in CF but did not see direct combat. African Canadians - Thousands were accepted into the military. French Canadians Enlisted more in WWI than WWII

2] What was the role of Aboriginal Canadians? What did they have to give up? Why?

Under the Indian Act of 1876 were wards of state, not citizens. Needed permission of Department of Indian Affairs to join. forced to give up their status.

3] What social changes on the home front occurred?

- War time production & economic prosperity
- Increase of total output of goods and services
- To avoid inflation and money loans to be drawn, the government introduced wage price controls. Women once again became the labor force.

4] What was the baby boom? What caused it?

In the 1940s conscription of single men into the reserve force was announced.

- within a week thousands were married
- Returning soldiers brought war brides back to Canada

largest increase in marriage -> largest birth rate in Canadian.

Controversies

5] What was the reason for the PM in 1942 to issue the referendum? What was the result? How did French Canadians react?

Due to a fear of Britain would fall in 1942, would be conscription but not.

French reaction: Division of 1917 still fresh in memory.

- were not previously allow over french-speaking unit
- very few french leadership
- Training was in English

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6] Why were the Japanese internment camps created? What were they allowed to take? When did they receive compensation for losses?

• 22,000 Japanese Canadians were displaced - Only allowed to take one suitcase
confiscated without compensation

Officially a security precaution - Fear of a North American invasion
In 1988 government issued official apology and \$21,000 to surviving evacuees

7] Who was affected by the War Measures Act? Do you think it was right for citizenships to be revoked?

Citizenships of Italian and German immigrants were revoked

Canada and the Holocaust

8] What was the Final Solution?

The Final Solution - systematic genocide of 6 million Jewish and others

9] How many Jewish immigrants made it to Canada?

only 5000+ Jewish immigrants made it to Canada

10] What happened to the people on the St. Louis?

They were forced to go back to Europe

Road to Nationhood

11] What year did Canada establish its independence? How did this happen?

Canada's status as an independent nation was secured in 1947

First commonwealth country to define its citizens as

Canadian first and British subjects second