

#### /200 marks

## Social Studies 10 Current Events Project

As a student of history, you are responsible for being current of today's political, economic and geographical issues. This current events unit will help you explore regional, national and global issues. Everything that happens today becomes history and has a definite consequence on our future. It is not only important to acknowledge and understand matters that directly affect us, but it is also important to examine changes that are happening in other countries. Only then can we make decisions about what we want for our future based on what we have found to be successful in the past.

# THIS ASSIGNMENT IS WORTH 5% OF YOUR OVERALL MARK SO YOU CANNOT LEAVE IT TO THE LAST MINUTE! DUE DATE: December 16

#### **Directions:**

- Look through magazines, newspapers, and the internet to find **ten** (10) Social Studies articles that interests you. Articles must be at least **four** (4) paragraphs. Please use Canadian news sources only.
- Neatly cut out or print each article.
- Using a separate sheet of paper, you will complete a written report for each article. The report must have 2 paragraphs. One paragraph will be a summary of the article, and the other paragraph will be your reaction to the article.
- You must **type** this assignment. Be sure to use complete sentences, and check for spelling and grammar. Include your name, title of the article and source of the article.
- Attach the article to your written report for each article.

#### **Suggested Websites**

http://www.cbc.ca/news

http://www.ctvnews.ca/

http://globalnews.ca/

http://theprovince.com/category/news

http://vancouversun.com/

http://www.theglobeandmail.com/

http://www.nationalpost.com/index.html

#### **Summary Paragraph:**

Without copying from the article briefly describe what the article is about. You **mus**t use your own words. Your paragraph needs at least 5 sentences.

### **Reflection Paragraph:**

This paragraph should tell us what you thought about the article. Your paragraph needs at least 10 sentences. You may want to answer these questions in your reaction:

- Why did you choose this article?
- How did this article affect you?
- What would you do if you were in this situation?
- How would you have handled it?
- Why did I like or dislike the article?
- Who could benefit from reading this article?
- How does the issue/event/conflict affect us as Canadians?
- Does Canada or our media seem to favour a certain party? Why? Or in what way?

## **Marking Criteria**

Title of Article	/1 mark
Name of Publication	/1 mark
Date of Publication	/1 mark
Author(s) name	/1 mark
Article attached	/1 mark
Paragraph 1- Summary, at least 5 sentences	/5 marks
Paragraph 2- Your reflection/opinion/commentary, at least 10 sentences	/10 marks

Total for each article /20 marks

Please note that you may create an electronic version of this assignment, if you wish. For example, powerpoint, prezi, blog, webstite.