

Social Studies 9

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Textbooks: Crossroads, Horizons, Counterpoints

Course Description

UNIT 1: Building a Nation:

1A. British North America & The American Revolution (Ch. 10 in Crossroads)

1B. Developing and Building a Nation (Ch. 2 & 3 in Horizons)

UNIT 2: The West, Modern Industry, and The Great War,

2A. The Development of the British Columbia (Ch. 6 Horizons)

2B. Industrial Revolution (Ch. 5 in Crossroads)

2C. Canada and World War I (Ch. 2 in Counterpoints)

Course Assessment

The following assessment tools are intended to encourage learning in a variety of ways and to demonstrate student achievement to the student, teacher, and community:

- 40% - Projects, assignments, homework, and class work.
- 50% - Quizzes and Unit tests.
- 10% - Student Participation (class discussions/group work/seminars)

Note: These weightings are approximate only

Note that not all assignments will be collected for formal assessment (in other words some assignments will not be officially graded); however, students are expected to complete all assignments, as they will be given completion marks. Plus, all assignments are preparation for projects and unit tests that will be formally evaluated. Failure to properly complete any practice or research-based assignments will impact the work habit mark.

Missed tests/quizzes:

If a student misses a test or quiz she/he must present a signed note explaining the absence (unless the absence has been excused through the office) and then a time will be arranged for make-up work (usually during a lunch time).

Assignments/Projects

It is your responsibility to have assignments and projects completed and submitted on time. **If absent, it is the student's responsibility to find out what the content and/or assignment was missed and hand it in as soon as possible.** Copies of assigned work will be on our class webpage, as well as in the "Handouts" binder on my teaching desk at the front of the class. Marks will be reasonably deducted for late and/or incomplete work. **All term work must be completed and submitted before the end of the Term.**

Homework

YES, homework is a probability, especially if you do not utilize your class time. Homework is intended to reinforce and review what is learned in class. Assignments will vary and occasionally projects will be assigned to be completed in an individual and reflective environment. Most homework will be finishing class work, reviewing that day's concepts, and/or summarizing notes. Please alert the teacher ahead of time if there are circumstances making this expectation difficult to fulfill.

Academic Honesty

Cheating and Plagiarism (the copying of someone's work) will not be tolerated and is a serious offence. Student will be referred to administration and must re-do the assignment according to the established criteria to demonstrate the learning outcome. This includes plagiarizing the internet or research materials.