

Grade 8 Social Studies

Chapter 6: The First World War 1914-1918

Chapter 6 is found on pages 122-145 in *Voyage to Discovery*. This chapter examines the issues surrounding the First World War (WWI). Some of the areas covered are: how the War affected the world and Newfoundland in particular, how did Newfoundlanders distinguish themselves during the war, how did we contribute to the war effort from home, and how the war bring change for women in our province.

Terms to Know

Propaganda
Patriotism
No Man's Land
Victoria Cross
Conscription
Suffrage

Information to Know

1. How did Newfoundland become involved in WW1? Know the main countries involved and what sides they were on (Allies / Axis-enemies) (p. 124-125)
2. Why did young men and women enlist in the war effort? Be able to describe four (4) reasons (p. 125-126)
3. What was propaganda and how was it used in WWI? Give examples of images used in propaganda material.
4. Be able to explain the role served by each branch of service and the numbers enlisted:
 - Royal Naval Reserve
 - Royal Newfoundland Regiment
 - Volunteer Aid Detachment
 - Forestry Corp
 - Merchant Marine
 - Canadian and Other Allied Forces
5. Be able to give a brief bio on the following people. Include important military accomplishments: Owen Steele, John Shiwak, John Bernard Croke, and Tommy Ricketts.
6. What was the Battle of Beaumont Hamel? Why is it important in Newfoundland history? Be able to explain the events of the battle including number of casualties/injured/missing and why the battle went wrong for the Regiment (p. 131)
7. What was the Women's Patriotic Association? What items did they make? What did the women do? (p. 136)
8. What was the Newfoundland Patriotic Association? What were they responsible for? (p. 137)
9. What was conscription? Know reasons for and against forced military service (p. 138)
10. What is Suffrage? How did WW1 lead to women getting the right to vote? (p. 142-143)

People to Know

- Owen Steele – died shortly after Beaumont Hamel due to injuries
- John Shiwak – WW1 sniper, died 1917 in France
- Tommy Ricketts – Victoria Cross Winner – Youngest recipient
- John Bernard Croke – Victoria Cross Winner – first Newfoundland recipient
- Dr. Cluney McPherson –inventor of the gas mask
- Julia Salter Earle – ran for city council
- Lady Helena Squires - first woman elected to the House of Assembly