

**Reading Guide for**  
*Counterpoints: Exploring Canadian Issues*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> edition*

**Notes to Teacher**

**REQUIRED RESOURCES:**

This Reading Guide is based on the textbook *Counterpoints: Exploring Canadian Issues, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition*, written by M. Cranny and G. Moles and published by Pearson Education Canada. (ISBN 13: 978-0-13-510613-6).

**INTENDED USERS:**

The Reading Guide was designed for use by teachers of Canadian history and social studies courses. It can be used in a variety of settings, for example:

- in conventional classrooms as **guided reading assignments** for the *Counterpoints: Exploring Canadian Issues, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition* textbook in preparation for teacher designed activities;
- in any classroom as **“make up” assignments** for students who experience extended absences;
- in **multi-grade classrooms** where teachers must present several different social studies courses;
- in classrooms where students enter and exit a program at varied times and require **self-paced study materials**.

**CONTENTS**

The Reading Guide includes the following components:

- a *reading guide* and *answer key* for each section of each chapter in both MS-Word and .pdf formats,
- a *chapter quiz* and *answer key* for each chapter in both MS-Word and .pdf formats, and
- a *crossword puzzle* based on the timeline that opens each chapter of the text.

## EVALUATION

Each reading guide is accompanied by an answer key for the teacher's use.

There is also a quiz for each chapter. The quizzes consist of the *guiding questions* and *key terms* listed at the start of each chapter. Because the format of each quiz is constant, students can easily prepare in advance and be expected to generate well thought out answers. The answer key provides the definitions for each quiz's key terms. The answers for the focus questions are left up to individual teachers. One possible approach for evaluating responses to the focus questions is to assign 1 mark for each appropriate point made in answering the question.

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