**CHC2D CANADIAN HISTORY SINCE WORLD WAR 1**

**Unit 1, Worksheet #1: BIRTH OF A NATION**

**Impact of WW1 on Canadian Soldiers and Ordinary Canadians**

**in Canada (the Home-front)**

**Students: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Instructions:**

Read the handout “Birth of a Nation.” Then read pgs. 31-44 to find information for the following questions.

**PART 1: COMPREHENSION AND ANALYSIS QUESTIONS**

1. After reading “Birth of a Nation,” how did ‘Vimy Ridge’ battle create the myth of the brave Canadian soldiers fighting for freedom? Write 3-4 reasons.
2. Which country were the Canadian soldiers fighting for?
3. Where is Vimy Ridge located?
4. What was the Schlieffen Plan, and why did its failure result in a stalemate on the Western Front?
5. Do you think it is right to use chemical weapons in a war? (give 2-3 reasons for your answer)
6. How did women directly contribute to the war?
7. List 5 new types of weapons in WW1.
8. Which weapons do you think killed and wounded the most people in the war? Why?
9. How did soldiers protect themselves against poison gas?
10. How did soldiers protect themselves against machine gun bullets?

**PART 2: VOCABULARY**

Write the following new Vocabulary words & definitions from your textbook or the Internet:

* Ace:
* Dogfight:
* Sharpshooter:
* Allegiance:
* Convoy
* Victory Bonds:
* Propaganda:
* Income tax:
* Corporate tax:
* Honour rationing:

**PART 3: HOMEWORK**

1. How was propaganda used during the war? (Find examples of how Canada has used propaganda in their posters)
2. List 5 military contributions made by Canada.
3. How did women contribute to the war effort in Canada? List 3-4 ways.
4. How did the “Suffrage movement” help some women get a chance to vote, but not all Canadian women?
5. The Halifax explosion caused a lot of damage to Halifax, leaving 2000 deaths, 9000 injured and thousands homeless. Why might ships loaded with explosives and munitions be permitted in a harbor so near a large city?