

Assessment Task: Families in Canada

Task Overview

You will research how families in Canada are affected by:

- Changes in divorce laws (Divorce Act)
- Economic problems (like the COVID-19 pandemic)

You will complete **3 parts**.

Part A: Choose Your Topic (A1.1)

Instructions:

1. Choose **ONE topic**:
 - Divorce laws in Canada
 - OR
 - Economic problems and families
 2. Write **1 short paragraph (5–6 sentences)**:
 - What is your topic?
 - Why is it important?
 - Who does it affect? (children, parents, elderly)
-

Part B: Key Concepts (A1.2)

Instructions:

1. Make a **list of 5–7 key words** about your topic
2. Write a **simple definition** for each word

Example:

- Divorce = ending a marriage
 - Child = a person under 18 years old
-

Part C: Research Questions (A1.3)

Instructions:

Write **3–5 good research questions**

Good questions:

- Start with *how*, *why*, or *what*
- Are not yes/no questions

Example:

- How does divorce affect children?
 - Why do economic problems make family life harder?
-

Part D: Thinking About Perspectives

Instructions:

Answer these questions in **4–5 sentences**:

- Whose opinions will you include?
(children, parents, lawyers, grandparents, etc.)
 - What time period will you study?
(past, present, or both)
-

Success Criteria (How You Are Marked)

- ✓ Clear explanation of topic
 - ✓ Good use of key words
 - ✓ Strong research questions
 - ✓ Shows different perspectives
 - ✓ Simple and clear English
-