

War on the Homefront

The Government Takes Action to Support the War Effort

Read pp. 31-33 and complete the following:

1. a) What was the “War Measures Act”?

b) Do you think that this Act gave the government (& the Prime Minister) too much power? Explain.

2. List all of the ways that the government took control of the war effort on the Home Front.

Women on the Home Front

Read pp. 36-37 and complete the following:

1. List the many roles that women played in the Great War according to this reading.

2. Do you think that the outcome of the war would be dependant on the work that women were doing on the Home Front? Explain.

The Conscription Crisis

Read pp. 43-45 and complete the following:

Define Conscription:

What was the "Military Service Act" ?

Politician or Group	Title and Political Party (or N/A)	For or Against Conscription	Reasons for their Views
1. Robert Borden			
2. Wilfrid Laurier			
3. French Canadians			
4. Farmers & Labour Unionists			
5. Conscientious Objectors/ Pacifists			

What was Borden's "Coalition Government"?

How did Borden use the "Wartime Elections Act" & his "Coalition Government" to pass conscription? Do you agree with this move? Explain.