

# Social Studies 11 Course Outline

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## Course Overview:

The goal of Social Studies is to develop thoughtful, responsible active citizens that can acquire information to consider multiple perspectives and make reasoned judgment. By providing opportunities to reflect on events and issues, you will examine the present, make connections with the past, and consider the future. You will learn to base your responses on informed analysis of evidence, on an understanding of your responsibilities and values, and on a realization of the consequences of your choices for yourself and others.

This course is designed to provide you with many of the skills to respond to the challenges facing Canadians today. Social Studies 11 focuses on the history, government, and environment of contemporary Canada. In particular, we will examine the critical question, "**what does it mean to be a Canadian?**"

## Textbook:

This course uses the following resource:  
*Counterpoints: Exploring Canadian Issues, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*

## Evaluation:

You will be graded on the following throughout the semester:

- Written assignments
- Group work activities
- Projects
- Presentations
- Quizzes
- Unit tests

Class work	80%
Provincial Exam	20%

### Grading Scale

86%-100%	= A
73%-85%	= B
67%-72%	= C+
60%-66%	= C
50%-59%	= C-
Less than 50%	= F

Social Studies 11 has a set Graduation Program examination, worth 20% of the final course mark. All students taking Social Studies 11 are required to write the exam in order to receive credit for this course.

## Assignment Requirements:

1. All assignments must be:
  - **Original** work (no plagiarism)
  - Typed or neatly written in **ink**
  - Submitted **on time**, at the beginning of class on the date they are due
2. All assignments must be completed and submitted
  - Work will not be accepted for marks after assignments have been returned to the class
3. Missed tests must be made up the day you return. No exceptions, no excuses.

## Student Expectations:

- Punctuality is essential
- 3 lates will result in a lunch or after-school detention and phone call home; further lateness will be referred to the office
- Attendance is mandatory
- Unexcused absences may result in a zero for work missed
- It is your responsibility to keep track of work missed due to explained absences and hand it in within 2 days of your absence
- Students must bring all necessary materials to each class, including paper, pen, and textbook
- No food or drinks in the classroom; Bottled water is the only exception
- No electronic devices in class
- Please wait until the bell rings to pack up your belongings. The class does not end until you are dismissed
- BE RESPECTFUL

There is a website for this course containing notes, handouts, and other resources.  
Please check this website frequently.

This website could be the most important tool available to you (and your parents) to ensure you keep up-to-date throughout this course.

[www.msjiwong.weebly.com](http://www.msjiwong.weebly.com)

If you have any questions about assignments or anything else about the course, please do not hesitate to e-mail me.