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Social Studies 11 • Unit 5 • Television and Beyond: The Cold War and Postwar Shifts in Canada 1945-1964

## 5A: Canadian Society in the 1950s



### Lesson Focus Question

- How did Canadian society change in the postwar era?

**Main Reference** Cranny, M., Moles, G. (2010). *Counterpoints: Exploring Canadian Issues*. Toronto: Pearson.

**Reading:** Ch. 6 p. 166-179 (do a quick read thru to start -- this will make the rest of the lesson work better!)

**Teacher Presentation:** Keynote 19 - Canada in the 50s

**Image:** Teenagers embracing rock'n'roll music (fr. text)

### Unit Overview - 1st Series of Lessons:

3A Canada in the 1950s	Keynote slideshow, video clips, notes-poster activity, Counterpoints p. 166-179
3B Politics and Prosperity	Keynote slideshow, video clips, notes-poster activity, Counterpoints p. 180-189
3C The Cold War	Keynote slideshow, video clips, notes-poster activity, Counterpoints p. 190-203

**Vocab - Provide a brief definition and/or example for the following terms & ideas:**

- baby boom
- Massey Commission
- CRTC
- displaced persons (DPs)

**Keynote notes - take note of big themes and issues in postwar Canada:**

**Notes Topics - your choice of format. Use an 11"x17" sheet of paper -- leave some of the space blank for images. Place the focus question for this lesson at the top. End result: have a brief set of notes that shows your understanding of each of these topics in post-war Canada**

- demographics - the impact of the baby boom (p. 170)
- growth of suburbs and suburban lifestyle (p. 170)
- impact of the automobile (p. 170)
- changing role for women in the 1950s (p. 171)
- teen culture in the 1950s (p. 172)
- impact of television and advertising (p. 173)
- promoting Canadian culture & arts (p. 176)
- immigration policy and impact in the 1950s (p. 177)
- Aboriginal issues in the 1950s (p. 178)

**Practice Questions - Try the ones on p. 173 and 178.**