

6D: Big Decisions in the Early 1980s



Lesson Focus Questions

- How did Canadian society change from 1980 to the present?
- How did Canada respond to new challenges to federalism?

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

Reading: Ch. 7 p. 257-264 (try to read through first)

Teacher Presentation: Keynote 22

Image: Pierre Trudeau and Jean Chrétien at one of the sessions of the 1981 Constitutional talks.

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patriation>

Keynote or Video Notes?

Questions

1. What was *patriation* and why did Trudeau want it? (p. 257)

2. Explain the two choices faced by Quebec in the 1980 referendum. What is the difference between *sovereignty association* and *distinct society*? What was the outcome? (p. 257)

3. What issues had to be resolved in order to patriate the constitution? (p. 258-259)

4. What was the outcome? In particular, explain the new *amending formula* and the *notwithstanding clause* that came out of the "Kitchen Accord." (p. 258-259)

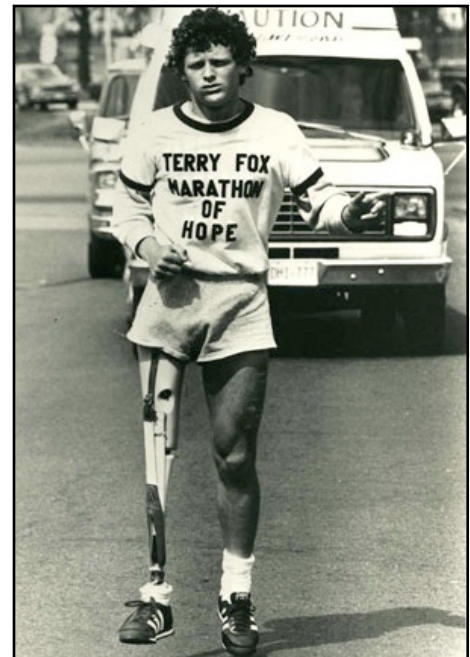
Another Big Event in 1980!

Image: Terry Fox in action as he runs along a street during his Marathon of Hope

Source: <http://www.pc.gc.ca/culture/vancouver2010/page2/terryfox.aspx>

Read the piece on Terry Fox on p. 249 in Counterpoints

His goal was to raise \$21 million, one dollar for every Canadian. The Terry Fox Organization has now raised over \$600 million -- why do you think his goal has been surpassed so dramatically?



Read the "Defending a Position" section on p. 260/261. Thinking this through would be a good way to review what you know about Quebec Nationalism