

**The Most Significant Canadian Battles of the Great War**

In this assignment you are asked to consider the five major battles Canadian soldiers were involved in during the Great War and then rank the five battles from most significant for Canada to least significant for Canada. You should use the background information sheets (and any other information sources) provided to help you complete this activity.

As a class, list the characteristics that might make a battle significant (important) for Canada during the Great War. Significance could be both positive or negative.

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Before ranking the most significant battles, list the significant aspects of each of the five battles. Consider the characteristics above when looking for the significant points.

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Battle of Ypres (April 22-May 25, 1915):**

**The Battle of the Somme (July 1, 1916-mid-November 1916)**

**The Battle of Vimy Ridge (April 9, 1917)**

**The Battle of Passchendaele (October-November 1917)**

**Canada's Hundred Days (August 8-November 11, 1918)**

**Assessment Criteria for Charts on Five Battles**

Categories	Incomplete/Does not Meet Expectations <b>1</b>	Approaching Expectations <b>2</b>	Meets Expectations <b>3</b>	Exceeds Expectations <b>4</b>
<b>Student Creates Quality Criteria for Determining a Significant Battle for Canada in WW I</b>	Criteria does not help determine what was a significant battle	Some of the criteria helps determine what was a significant battle	Most of the criteria helps determine what was a significant battle	All of the criteria helps determine what was a significant battle for Canada
<b>Significant Information About Each Battle are Included in the Charts</b>	A great deal of significant information about each battle is not included	Some significant information about each battle is not included	Most significant information about each battle is included	All significant information about each battle is included in the charts

Choose the best three or four characteristics from the class list above that ***best outline*** what a significant battle for Canada includes. Use these ***criteria*** to help you rank the battles from most significant to least significant.

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The next part of the assignment is to rank each of the five battles from most significant to least significant. You need to explain why you ranked each battle as you did. **Remember to consider your criteria when ranking the significance of each battle and explaining your ranking.**

1. Most Significant Battle for Canada: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation of Ranking:

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2. Second Most Significant Battle for Canada: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation of Ranking:

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3. Third Most Significant Battle for Canada: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation of Ranking:

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4. Fourth Most Significant Battle for Canada: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation of Ranking:

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5. Five Most Significant Battle for Canada: \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation of Ranking:

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<b>Student Uses Criteria to Make Rankings of Significant Battles</b>	Criteria developed is not used to rank the significant battles	Some criteria developed is not used to rank the significant battles	Most of the criteria developed is used to rank the significant battles	All of the criteria developed is used to rank the significant battles
<b>Rankings of Significant Battles are Fully Explained</b>	Rankings are not explained	Some of the rankings are explained, but are lacking important information	Most of the rankings of battles are explained, but may lack information in some cases	All of the rankings of battles are fully explained
<b>Rankings of Significant Battles are Historically Plausible</b>	Rankings are not historically plausible	Several of the rankings are not historically plausible	Most of the rankings are historically plausible	The rankings are historically plausible