From first contact with Europeans to the Northwest Rebellion and the creation of Nunavut, this book ranks the most significant events in the history of Aboriginal peoples in Canada. No Other Versions Available

The Crucible / Comfort and Fear
73070  DVD
240 min JIS 2001 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
The Crucible - 1940 To 1946. Canada comes of age in the anguish of World War II, with soldiers on the beaches at Dieppe and women in the industrial work force back home. The country’s military role and the domestic social and political consequences of the war are traced through poignant stories of Canadians on both sides of the Atlantic. The horrific global conflict steals the innocence of a generation... but brings hope for a new future. For grades 5-12. Comfort and Fear - 1946 To 1964. The end of World War II signals the end of fifteen years of social, political and economic upheaval. The post-war baby boom and government economic and social policies give rise to unprecedented prosperity and growth for Canadians and Canadians in communities. Television becomes a powerful new tool with social and political consequences. But in the midst of plenty, growing fears of the Cold War and nuclear conflict create an unsettling atmosphere. Political leaders - including Diefenbaker, Smallwood, Dupplessis create excitement and controversy. Saskatchewan's premier Tommy Douglas begins the fight for Medicare while Canada finds itself increasingly absorbed into the American military, economic and cultural orbit. For grades 5-12. No Other Versions Available

Far From Home: Canada and the Great War - Disk 1
75606 DVD
90 min IS 2011 Distribution Access
This account of Canada’s heroic effort in World War I is told through the words of ordinary soldiers, leaders and civilians. The series contains three films - narrated by Paul Gross - on the First World War, and is the first series that tells the complete story of Canada’s achievements in WWI. On this dvd Sam’s Army - The story of Sam Hughes, the bigoted, ignorant, self-obsessed Minister of Militia, whose enthusiasm for war created Canada’s first Expeditionary Force, and part one of The Battle of Vimy Ridge - A recreation of one of the greatest battles in Canadian military history. No Other Versions Available

Far From Home: Canada and the Great War - Disk 2
75607 DVD
120 min IS 2010
This account of Canada’s heroic effort in World War I is told through the words of ordinary soldiers, leaders and civilians. The series contains three films - narrated by Paul Gross - on the First World War, and is the first series that tells the complete story of Canada’s achievements in WWI. This dvd covers part two of The Battle of Vimy Ridge - A two-hour documentary which recreates for the viewer one of the greatest battles in Canadian military history. The film was made to show that Canadian character at its best, forging an identity for a country that before the First World War had been seen only as a British colony - an identity and a character that became recognized and respected throughout Europe, and The Last 100 Days: Canadian military accomplishments in the last hundred days of World War I, when the German Army was destroyed, surpassed those of any other army. The Canadian success was, in no small measure, due to Arthur Currie, whom a recent British historian describes as “the most successful Allied General and one of the least well known.” No Other Versions Available

Finding Private Foster
74088 DVD
20 min I 2005 McIntyre Films
A high school teacher tries to bring new life to memories of the First World War. Teacher Blake Seward and 23 of his history students explore many battlefields and cemeteries of the two World Wars as they search for the grave sites of soldiers from the Smith Falls, Ontario area. No Other Versions Available

The Great Enterprise / from Sea to Sea
73073 DVD
180 min JIS 2000 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
The Great Enterprise - For grades 5-12. The story of Confederation, its supporters and its foes, is told against a backdrop of Civil War in the United States and Britain’s growing determination to be rid of its expensive, ungrateful colonies. The video provides a portrait of the diverse people who make up the new Dominion of Canada: the railway magnates, the unwed mothers of Montreal, the nuns who provide refuge for the destitute, the merchants of Halifax, the fugitives of the Underground Railroad, and the Irish immigrants who flood into the cities. From Sea to Sea - Confederation is barely accomplished when the new dominion must face an enormous challenge: extending its reach into the vast prairies and beyond, to the Pacific Ocean. But Canada blunders in seeking to take over the...
west without the consent of its inhabitants, especially the Mi'kmaq of Red River and their leader, the troubled Louis Riel. The resistance of 1869-70 lays the groundwork for Manitoba to join Canada, but it also sets the stage for decades of conflict over the rights of French and English, Catholic and Protestant in the new territories. Thanks to a promise of a transcontinental railway in 10 years, the settlers of British Columbia are more easily convinced of the merits of union: by 1873 Prince Edward Island has joined as well, and Canada can boast a dominion that extends from sea to sea.

No Other Versions Available

The Great War
74902 DVD
240 min IS 2007 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
Scarcely more than a British colony, with a population of less than eight million, between 1914-1918 Canada mobilized 590,000 citizens for war, sending 325,000 overseas to fight. In epic battle re-enactments, the two-part series The Great War brings to life the five major Canadian battles of the war: St. Julien, Beaumont-Hamel, Courcellette, Vimy and Passchendaele. This docu-drama would never have happened without the participation of 150 descendants. As with real war, these young volunteers lived the hardships of a British training camp. They traveled to the great battlefields of Northern France and Belgium where their ancestors fought. Follow the poignant stories of ancestors, gleaned from journals written in battle, as well as letters to and from those they loved: Talbot Mercer Pineau (Justin Trudeau), one of Canada's first Rhodes scholars who died a hero at Passchendaele; Chaplain Canon Scott (Michael Rudder) who had to bury his own son killed in battle; Ernest Lamarche (Maxime Cournoyer) who fought with the Van Doos, the only French-speaking regiment in the British army.

No Other Versions Available

A Hero to Me: The Story of Billy Bishop
940.4/4971.092 74304 DVD
47 min JIS 2003 Canadian Learning Company
Diana, a television broadcaster and journalist, sets out to retrace her famous grandfather's life and confront the controversy that has tainted his war record and dogged his memory for decades. Billy Bishop was the most decorated Allied fighter pilot in the First World War. A few have made the claim that he may have faked his famous solo attack on a German airfield—a raid that earned him the Victoria Cross. This film marks the first time Billy Bishop's family has spoken up and told the story of the man they knew.

No Other Versions Available

A House Divided - the Unity Debate
74158 DVD
48 min IS 1999 McIntyre Films
This production discusses the politics of Meech Lake and the narrowing options for success in the period preceding the 1990 deadline for ratification. The increasingly acrimonious national debate over language, the explosive growth of regional sentiment and the consequences of independence for Quebec and the rest of the nations are examined.

No Other Versions Available

The Pathfinders / Rebellion and Reform
73074 DVD
240 min JIS 2000 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
The Pathfinders - The opening of the Canadian West is a story of great fur-trading empires; the native people who were their allies and collaborators; explorers and map makers. This epic covers two continents and two territories from the Great Lakes to the Arctic Ocean. It is a tale of renegoties like Pierre Esprit Radisson, who founded an English trading empire; soldiers like Pierre Gaultier de Varennes, who spent a lifetime searching for the Western Sea; and Matoiaabbee, the Dene chief who led Samuel Hearne on a trek into the Barren Land. The episode concludes as settlers on the prairies and gold miners in British Columbia begin to claim the West for themselves. For grades 5-12. Rebellion and Reform - This episode focuses on the rebellions of 1837-8, the political conflicts that led to them, and their unexpected consequences. Through the figures of Joseph Howe, Louis-Joseph Papineau and William Lyon Mackenzie, it traces the different courses these political conflicts took in Nova Scotia, Lower Canada and Upper Canada. Despite the repression that followed the Canadian rebels' defeat, within ten years English and French-speaking politicians would establish a long-lasting political partnership that won the prize of self-government. For grades 5-12.

No Other Versions Available
changes the face of Canadian politics. For grades 5-12.
In an Uncertain World - 1976 To 1990. The world order
and economic boom that had taken shape after World War
II starts to unravel, and a new era of uncertainty begins.
Free trade, globalization, and regionalism converge with
the rise of feminism, aboriginal claims, growing multicultur-
alism and the explosion of computer technology. Canada's
economic, social and political environment are affected.
Canada's new Charter begins to have an impact. Debate
around Canadian unity intensifies with the Quebec refer-
endum of 1980, repatriation of the Constitution and the
Meech Lake Accord. For grades 5-12.
No Other Versions Available