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 Canadian 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 unsettled atmosphere. Political leaders - including Diefenbaker, Smallwood, Duplessis 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.
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Sir J.A. Macdonald, Terry Fox, Don Cherry
73757 DVD 135 min IS 2004 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
Sir J.A. Macdonald - Macdonald is best known as the founding father of Canada who united the French and the English and facilitated the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Macdonald was a deft politician, able to balance the various interests of the new nation. He led the Conservative Party for 24 years, most of those as Prime Minister. He possessed force of personality, a glib tongue and was a vigorous fighter. The characteristics that made him such an effective leader are the same ones that define Canada as a nation Terry Fox - On the morning of April 12, 1980, Fox dipped his artificial leg in the Atlantic Ocean and began his Marathon of Hope. Fox’s journey took him through the Maritimes, Quebec and Ontario, until he stopped just outside of Thunder Bay. He had run 5,3276 kms, and by February 1981, raised $24.17 million. Fox died, with his family beside him, on June 28, 1981. That September, the first Terry Fox Run was held - more than 300,000 people participated, raising $3.5 million. Terry Fox Runs are held yearly in 60 countries now and hundreds of millions have been raised for cancer research. Don Cherry - Starting out as a hockey player, then a successful NHL coach, Cherry soon found his niche on the television screen. Outspoken, outrageous and at times outlandish, Cherry has been called many things during his 24 years with CBC’s Hockey Night in Canada, but he’s never been accused of being at a loss for words. Cherry’s other accomplishments include a line of popular videos, a chain of restaurants and a syndicated radio show. In addition, he has worked to raise funds for Rose Cherry’s Home for Kids, a hospice for terminally ill children.
No Other Versions Available

When Less Is More
74496 DVD 44 min IS 2006 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
In a poignant look at the Alberta Tar Sands project and the community of Fort McMurry, Alberta, David Suzuki investigates the development of the largest oil deposit outside of Saudi Arabia, the environmental impact, and effects on the local Mikisew Cree First Nations population. This program explores the effects of oil sands development on local and global environments, and on the city of Fort McMurray.
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Years of Hope & Anger / in an Uncertain World
73069 DVD 240 min JIS 2001 Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
Years of Hope & Anger - 1964 To 1976. The Sixties and Seventies are an era of ferment on every level: politics, culture and personal life. Quebec’s Quiet Revolution and youth movements across North America challenge the status quo. Some events bring the country together: a new flag is introduced and Canada shines in the world’s spotlight with Expo ’67; while others threaten considerable upheaval: growing calls for Quebec sovereignty, the 1970 FLQ/War Measures Act crisis, and an energy shortage pits East against West. A charismatic law professor is elected Liberal leader, then Prime Minister; Trudeau 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 multiculturalism 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 referendum of 1980, repatriation of the Constitution and the Meech Lake Accord. For grades 5-12.
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