Aboriginal Veterans

1. What is enfranchisement?

2. What are the implications of enfranchisement?

3. In what year did Aboriginal people receive the right to vote in Canada?

4. Why do you think the government refused benefits to those Aboriginal veterans who did not want to give up their status?

5. Why do you think Canadian history has tended to ignore the contributions and achievements of Aboriginal veterans?

6. What were the issues surrounding conscription in WWII. How did they differ from WWI?

7. Why do you think Aboriginal people were opposed to conscription?

8. Give examples of how racism was a reality for Aboriginal soldiers.

9. Do you think Canadian society has become less racist towards Aboriginal people since WWII?

10. In what ways did Aboriginal people contribute to the war on the home front?