

The Right to Vote

Answer the following questions based on research on the pathway to universal suffrage in Canada.

Suggested resources:

- Handout 2.2: A History of Voting Rights in Canada
- A History of the Vote in Canada and Exploring Canada's Electoral System (www.elections.ca)



1. What is universal suffrage?
2. Before 1900, who was allowed to vote in Canadian elections? Who was not allowed to vote?
3. Summarize the story of women's suffrage. When were women allowed to vote in Canada? When were women allowed to vote in your province or territory?
4. How has voting been made more accessible and convenient for voters?
5. Do you believe it is important to vote? Why or why not?