**Conscription Crisis in Canada: 1917**

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1. Graph (line or bar) the enlistment and casualty rates for the Canadian forces in 1917.

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1. Define “conscription”.
2. Why did Prime Minster Border become convinced that more Canadian soldiers were necessary?
3. Outline the various feelings and reasons towards conscription below.

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| **English Canadians** | **French Canadians** |
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1. Ontario provided \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% volunteers in proportion to the population. What percent did Quebec provide in proportion to the population? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ %. What reactions do you think this would bring to English Canadians?

6. What discriminations were made against French Canadian volunteers in the army?

1. What two politicians opposed conscription? Why?

8. Outline the following terms:

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| **Item** | **Description** |
| Military Service Bill – 1917 |  |
| Military Voters Act |  |
| Wartime Elections Act |  |
| Pacifists |  |
| Conscientious Objectors |  |

9. Who won the election of 1917? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. By the time WWI ended in November 1918, how many Canadian conscripts had reached the battlefield? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. According to historians, was conscription a success in Canada?
3. In your opinion, should conscription be allowed? Why or why not?