

# **TOO CLOSE TO HOME:**

ANTISEMITISM & FACISM IN CANADA 1930S & 1940S

## **JEWS IN CANADA**

How many Jews were living in Canada at the outbreak of World War II (WWII)?

How did the Jewish community in Canada respond to the emerging Nazi threat in Europe?

Even after the liberation of camps throughout Europe, how did a senior Canadian official respond to the question of how many Jews would be admitted into Canada?

What is the name of the project which enabled thousands of Jewish refugees into Canada between 1947 and 1949?

## **ANTISEMITISM**

Name the **four** groups that were discriminated against during the first half of the 20th century,

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What were Canadians' main fears regarding immigrants during the Great Depression?

List **five** economic sanctions placed on non-W.A.S.P.'s in Canada by the various extremist groups?

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## **FASCISM & NAZISM IN CANADA**

What were the names of the **four** fascist groups located in Canada?

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What concern did the 'brown shirts' of Winnipeg have in September of 1933?

What happened during the Christie Pits Riot, classifying it as the worst race riot in Toronto's history?

What **three** reasons were used to justify antisemitism in Quebec during the 1930s.

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What did the newspaper publication *Le Goglu* present to its readers?

Who was Adrian Arcand and what happened to him and others of his kind during WWII?

## **KU KLUX KLAN**

Where and when was the KKK formed and what were their beliefs?

Which provinces saw KKK activity and what decade marked the last known KKK agitations?

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List **five** groups of people who were considered undesirable in Canada according to the KKK?

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### **IMMIGRATION**

What were the **four** classes refugees could apply under to enter Canada and what class were Jews in?

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Which countries ranked ahead of Canada in terms of accepting Jews fleeing Europe?

What happened in Vichy, France and why is Canada to blame in the deaths of Jews in the Holocaust?

### **PROPAGANDA**

What are the **eight** criteria for the use of propaganda and briefly explain each?

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## **JEWS IN CANADA**

How many Jews were living in Canada at the outbreak of WWII?

**167,000**

How did the Jewish community in Canada respond to the emerging Nazi threat in Europe?

**By organizing rallies and protests to warn Canadians about Hitler's antisemitic policies.**

Even after the liberation of camps throughout Europe, how did a senior Canadian official respond to the question of how many Jews would be admitted into Canada?

**None is too many**

What is the name of the project which enabled thousands of Jewish refugees into Canada between 1947 and 1949?

**The War Orphans Project**

## **ANTISEMITISM**

Name the **four** groups that were discriminated against during the first half of the 20th century,

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|----------------------|------------------|
| 1. <b>Immigrants</b> | 3. <b>Asians</b> |
| 2. <b>Jews</b>       | 4. <b>Blacks</b> |

What were Canadians' main fears regarding immigrants during the Great Depression?

**Immigrants would take scarce jobs away from the racists and nativists.**

List **five** economic sanctions placed on non-W.A.S.P.'s in Canada by the various extremist groups?

1. **Boycott Jewish businesses**
2. **To not hire Jews (in department stores, insurance companies and banks)**
3. **To not sell or rent property to Jews**
4. **Property deeds with restrictive covenants**
5. **Excluded from professions and neighbourhoods**

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What were the names of the **four** fascist groups located in Canada?

1. **Canadian Nationalist Party of Winnipeg**
2. **Canadian Guard**
3. **National Worker's Party of Canada**
4. **The Canadian Union of Fascists**

What concern did the 'brown shirts' of Winnipeg have, in September of 1933?

### **A global Jewish conspiracy**

What happened during the Christie Pits Riot, classifying it as the worst race riot in Toronto's history?

**A 6 hour fight, using bats, stones and pipes between a Jewish baseball team and an antisemitic gang known as the Pit Gang.**

What **three** reasons were used to justify antisemitism in Quebec during the 1930s.

1. **Quebec nationalism**
2. **Catholicism**
3. **Economic Conditions**

What did the newspaper publication *Le Goglu* present to its readers?

**The idea of blood libel, world conspiracy and economic domination by the Jews.**

Who was Adrian Arcand and what happened to him and others of his kind during WWII?

**Arcand was a Canadian fascist and he ended up being interned during the war.**

## **KU KLUX KLAN**

Where and when was the KKK formed and what were their beliefs?

**The KKK was formed in the 1860s in Pulaski, Tennessee. They believed in white supremacy and the preservation of slavery.**

Which provinces saw KKK activity and what decade marked the last known KKK agitations?

**Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia  
1970s**

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1. Immigrants
2. Jews
3. Blacks

4. Asians
5. Catholics

### **IMMIGRATION**

What were the **four** classes refugees could apply under to enter Canada and what class were Jews in?

1. 1st class
2. 2nd class/preferred class
3. 3rd class/non-preferred class
4. 4th class/special permit class

**Jews were classified in the 4th class.**

Which countries ranked ahead of Canada in terms of accepting Jews fleeing Europe?

**Argentina, Australia, Brazil, the UK, and the United States**

What happened in Vichy, France and why is Canada to blame in the deaths of Jews in the Holocaust?

**The pro-Nazi gov't deported Jews to camps leaving many children to internment camps. Canada did not pursue bringing 1000 Vichy Jewish children to Canada and as a result were deported to Auschwitz.**

### **PROPAGANDA**

What are the **eight** criteria for the use of propaganda and briefly explain each?

**The Big Lie - something really big must be true**

**Name-Calling/Slurs - form of harassment, insulting comments or jokes**

**Repetition - repeating names or slogans to convince people**

**Scapegoating - placing blame for unrelated events or other people's actions**

**Simplification - showing only one side of an issue; simplify issues so all can understand**

**Slogan - catchword or phrase loaded with emotion that are easy to understand**

**Stereotyping - deny individual merit in favour of generalization**

**Superiority - statements which arouse pride to flatter or to make one superior**