Social Studies 9 Week of May 11-May 15 Citizenship Unit

We will spend the next couple of weeks on Citizenship and Government. There is more history we could spend time on but I feel that it is important for us to explore these topics first, just to give you some idea about Citizenship and its Responsibilities.

I have included the entire Chapter 13 for your use. This is a Chapter for which the interaction of the Classroom would be greatly beneficial but unfortunately that is not an option for us. I recommend taking your time in reading the entire chapter at your own speed and keeping the study questions in mind as you go. Answer as much as you can.

The questions in the assignments below start on page 198 but the following questions are used in class to start the group discussion so I include them for your use as you read through the introductory part of the chapter leading up to page 198.

1. What does it mean to be a citizen?
2. What are the differences between the definitions on page 195?
3. How could there be a conflict between the different types of Citizenship?
4. Use the graphic organizer on page 195 and be sure to explain the differences between local, national and global.
5. Can you establish a link between Citizenship and Identity?
6. Analyze each of the quotations on pages 195-196.

Refer to the accompanying textbook excerpt for the answers to these questions. Page numbers are given for each.

Social Studies 9 Canadian Identity Citizenship Assignment #1

1. When was the first Canadian Citizenship Act passed in Canada? Who was a Citizen under this Act? (p.198)
2. When was the new Canadian Citizenship Act passed and how did it change things? (p. 198)
3. What is meant by the term “Naturalization”? (p.198)
4. What must someone do if they want to become Canadian? (p.198)
5. What province passed the first Bill of Rights in Canada? (p.200)
6. When was the Canadian Bill of Rights passed? (p.200)
7. On pages 200-201, there are a number of articles selected from the “Universal Declaration of Human Rights”. Read all of the articles and choose any five that you feel are especially important. Explain in a few sentences why you feel they are important.(p.200-201)

Social Studies 9 Canadian Identity Citizenship Assignment #2

1. What made Canada an independent country and what year was it made?(p.201)
2. Why could Canada not amend its own Constitution? (p. 201)
3. What did the Constitution Act of 1982 do for Canada? (p.201)
4. Explain the different rights and freedoms outlined in the Charter. (p.201)
5. Do questions 1-4 on page 202.

Social Studies 9 Canadian Identity Citizenship Assignment #3

1. Explain the difference between Individual Rights and Collective Rights(p.203)
2. Read the 4 court cases on pages 203-204 and decide whether each decision was made in favor of the individual or collective rights. Explain your answers (p. 203-204)
3. Answer the Apply and Extend question on page 204 by creating a scenario of your own based on one of the ideas they provide (p.204)