

SPIES IN THE SHADOWS

Explore How Intelligence and Espionage Shaped Canada in this Highly Interactive and Educational Website

Designed with a Pan-Canadian focus for Social Studies and History Teachers and Students Grades 7-12

Meets provincial curriculum outcomes and expectations for both academic and non-academic students

Features

Teachers' Lounge

Elements of Intelligence History

- Downloadable document that summarizes key historical events from the 18th century until today
- Lists selected resources to use as starting points for teachers and students as they investigate the history of intelligence and espionage

Four downloadable, comprehensive teacher-directed lesson plans, including background information, extension activities, and Blackline Masters (BLMs)

- Lesson 1 Spy Identities and Methods: War of 1812
- Lesson 2 Spy Tools of the Trade: Cryptography, Codes, and Ciphers
- Lesson 3 Women and Intelligence
- Lesson 4 The Role of Intelligence and Espionage in Canada During the Cold War

Cryptography Laboratory

Learn the art of espionage in four hands-on activities that explore the world of breaking codes and using ciphers in The Great Canadian Cryptography Laboratory. Read the advice on the pop-up windows and solve the codes.

Espionage Games

Participate in five actual war battles and experience similar decision-making pressures that actual commanders faced in The War of 1812: Choose Your Battles. Historical maps, intelligence information, battle noise, and sounds make this game highly interactive and pressure-loaded.

Espionage Timeline

Travel through the history of espionage and intelligence from the War of 1812 to the present in this interactive timeline. Drag the navigation tool to a year and click on an icon to discover a crucial event in Canadian and world history.

Links

Canadian Espionage Links

Investigate Canada's secret past and present, in this collection of websites from archives, museums, and agencies that focus on intelligence

Additional Links: War of 1812

Look for Canadian and US historical commemorative sites and associations as well as museums that memorialize the War of 1812

Addresses skills of critical and historical thinking; analysis and evaluation; research and recording information; and oral, visual, written, and media literacy

Additional Interactive Features

The Secret Files

Flip through this unique collection of index cards to read about Canada's cast of colourful characters who participated in espionage and intelligence

The Espionage Glossary

Look up the meaning of words or phrases that contribute to the secret language of espionage and intelligence in this "classified" spies handbook

The Great Canadian Spyglass of Espionage Abbreviations

Find out the significance of acronyms associated with intelligence agencies or espionage by using the turning spyglass

Teachers Are Talking About Spies in the Shadows...

Canadian History is boring according to many students. Well, no more! **Spies in the Shadows** gets into the "interesting" stuff. Students will see Canada's history from a completely new perspective. I can't wait to show it to my classes!

Tom Smith

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Spies in the Shadows includes complete lesson plans that incorporate progressive teaching activities, such as critical and historical thinking, graphic organizers, and analysis of primary documents. As well, blackline masters [BLMs] and supplementary materials, such as a glossary and an index containing a cast of colourful characters from our past, make teaching the lessons easy and self-contained.

Craig Harding

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Exploring **Spies in the Shadows** with English Second Language [ESL] learners is a totally new subject that students will enjoy. The lesson plans are well-scaffolded, and they offer students the opportunity to reflect on Canadian History with a new twist. Using new technologies in the classroom is always a challenge. The website succeeds in making this tool work, and gets students immediately hooked.

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