

# The 1<sup>st</sup> Newfoundland Regiment and the Battle of the Somme

## Learning Resources

Lesson # 1 - "Witnessing History" - Activity Sheet



**Answer the questions below as you view the video *Canada and the Great War 1914 - 1918: A Nation Born*.**

- 1) What were some major battles in which Canadians fought in the First World War?
- 2) What was the deadly new weapon that the Germans unleashed on Canadians at the Battle of Ypres? How did the Canadians resist and stop the attack?
- 3) What sort of hardships did the soldiers who lived in the trenches have to endure?
- 4) What year did the Battle of the Somme take place? How did the battle proceed?
- 5) Which regiment serving with the British was decimated at Beaumont-Hamel on the first day of the Battle of the Somme?
- 6) How did the Canadians prepare for the Battle of Vimy Ridge? What was the outcome?
- 7) What was Conscription?
- 8) What new right were some Canadian women granted during the First World War? What was the underlying political reason they given this right?