**History 304 Learning Activity: The First British Governors and the Quebec Act 1774**

***Introduction***

In 1763 Britain put in place the Royal Proclamation. With this document Britain guaranteed a territory for indigenous use, and created a new colony - Quebec. The goal for this new colony was to restrict the area of French settlement to where it existed and over time to assimilate this population into the British culture. The arrival of the First Governors showed problems with this plan and Britain was forced to modify it’s goals by replacing the Royal Proclamation with the Quebec Act.

***Guiding Question***

*What actions did the First British Governors take in administering the new colony of Quebec 1763 -74?*

***Goals***

1. To describe and explain Britain’s organization of its territories and populations in North America.
2. To use and make meaning of historical documents: pictures, maps, tables…

***Instructions***

1. Review the attached power point presentation on the first British Governors and the Quebec Act 1774.
2. As you go through each slide, answer the questions in the appropriate section of the student answer sheet.

* You may also use the online version of ***Reflections*** (pages 120 -125)<https://www.iplusinteractif.com/books/172>

1. On the *Reflections* website watch the following short videos:

<https://www.iplusinteractif.com/books/172>

Video 2:03 The War of Conquest

Video 3:01 Conquest and the Change of Empire

Video 3:02 Pontiac’s Revolt

Click on “Animations and Videos” – click “videos”- choose the video

**Student Answer Sheet**

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| Key Words  Record 1 key word or phrase from each section of notes | **The First British Governors and thee Quebec Act 1763-1774** |
|  | **Overview(slides 1-5)**  Problem Solving:  What part of government had the most power?  What did the Test act mean for the French population? |
|  | **A. Governor Murray- the First British Governor General (slides 7-10)**  Problem solving- Read the document in slide 6:  What was governor Murray instructed to do?  How did Governor Murray feel about the French population of Quebec?  How did governor Murray feel about the British population of Quebec?  What actions did governor Murray take toward the French population? Why?  What were the demands of the British merchants of Quebec?  What action did they take to have their demands met? |
|  | **B. The Actions of Governor Carleton? (slide 11)**  What actions did governor Carleton take toward the French population?  What did he recommend to the British government? |
|  | **C. the Quebec Act Causes and Goals (slides 12 -13)**  What did Britain fear from the Thirteen Colonies?  What was their goal for the French population of Quebec? |
|  | **D. Changes to Territory(slide15)**  What change did Britain make to the territory?  Why would this change help gain the support of the British merchants of Quebec? |
| **Key Words** | **The Royal Proclamation 1763** |
| Civil law | **E. Changes to Laws (slide 16)**  Why was the change back to French civil law significant to the French Seigneurs [land owners]?  Would this change gain their support for the British government? Why? |
| Seigneurial system  Township System | **F. Changes to Land distribution for Agriculture (slide 17)**  What was the position of the seigneurial system?  Would this change gain support for the British government? why? |
|  | **G.** **Changes to Religion** **(slide 18 -19)**  What privileges did the British government grant to the Catholic Church?  How did the Catholic Church react? |
| Test Act | **H.** **Changes to Government** **(slide 20)**  What power did the British governor have?  What did the removal of the Test Act mean for the French population?  What power did the French population have in government? |