



Sir Robert Borden
Liberal/Conservative
1911-1920
(DRAFT)

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Biography

Sir Robert Laird Borden, GCMG PC KC was a Canadian lawyer and politician. He served as the eighth Prime Minister of Canada from October 10, 1911, to July 10, 1920, and was the third Nova Scotian to hold this office. [Wikipedia](#)

Born: June 26, 1854, [Grand-Pré, Nova Scotia](#)

Died: June 10, 1937, [Ottawa](#)

Spouse: [Laura Borden](#) (m. 1889)

Previous office: Prime Minister of Canada (1911–1920)

Political parties: [Liberal Party of Canada](#), [Conservative Party of Canada](#), [Unionist Party](#)

Parents: [Eunice Jane Laird](#), [Andrew Borden](#)

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Educational Activities

Teachers may engage students in some of the following:

1. Create a trivia game using facts from Sir Robert Borden's life and accomplishments. (If possible make it interactive for the whole class: via clicker, Google slides)
2. Critically analyse the actions Sir Robert Borden took during his time as Prime Minister and the qualities that made him an effective or ineffective Prime Minister. This will be done on chart paper in small groups first. Then students can combine their ideas on larger chart paper at the front to the class.
3. Write a journal response/reflection stating whether or not you think Sir Robert Borden was an effective Prime Minister or not.
4. Do you think Sir Robert Borden deserves to be on our Canadian currency? Why or why not? If you had to choose someone to be on the \$100 dollar bill who would it be and why would you choose them?
5. Write a speech that Sir Robert Borden may have given explaining why he was in favour of strong British North American ties and his support of the Treaty of Versailles
6. Complete the cloze passage assignment provided. (individually or as a class on the white board)
7. Create a poster/powtoon/infogram that highlights Sir Robert Borden's contributions to Canada as a Prime Minister.
8. Create a cartoon strip that depicts some of the accomplishments and challenges the Borden government faced during WWI
9. Construct a pictorial time-line that summarizes what happened during his time in office.
10. Imagine you are 18 years old and you have been conscripted into the army. Write a personal journal on the evening you received your notice.
11. Create a quiz that spans the life and impact of Sir Robert Borden
12. Evaluate the effect that conscription had on the young men in Canada, who was most affected?
13. Write and perform a song that highlights some of the accomplishments of the Borden government.