

Keystone 1

1. WW2 defined the relationships Canada has with other countries

World War two established the future relationships Canada had with other countries. This is seen with the transformation of the Canadian relation of Britain and the United States. This is shown with how Canada began to rely on the US instead of Britain.

The Canada-US Permanent Joint Board Defence in 1940, a coordinated defence plan with the US is the start of the Canadian-American partnership. The US and Canada made another treaty called the Hyde Park Agreement, which was created to organize and coordinate what each country created for the war effort. Moreover, the statue of Westminster created the concept of British commonwealth countries which were considered free and equal states however, still shared an allegiance with Great Britain. Even though Canada was a free commonwealth county, Britain stopped having any control in Canada in 1982 when amendment to Canadian constitution stopped happening in the British legal system.

This matter since the change of Canadian trade and control from WW2 made the countries relations we know today. Canada becoming a commonwealth country and not having any of its affairs controlled by Britain, proves that it does not need Britain anymore. Instead, Canada relies on its neighbour the USA. This starts with the Permanent Joint Board Defence where Canada and the US work together in order to defend themselves. Today, these connections with countries from WW2 affected the Canada we know today.

2. Canada production of supplies during the war greatly helped the allies eventually win the war

Canadian production and manufacturing was huge factor in the Allies eventually winning WW2. Without Canada help in producing military weapons, supplies and shipping the Allies may have never won the war.

This is mainly shown in the Battle of the Atlantic, a series of intricate battles between Canadian supply ships and German submarines. This battle was only won due to the Allies and Canadians creating more ships that was being destroyed.

Without these exports from Canada, Britain could of fell to Nazi rule which could of meant the Nazi ultimately winning WW2. This seen how Canada provided Britain with all the material they needed on their ships such as planes, tanks and ships in order keep on fighting the Nazis. Without Canadian support Britain most likely would not be able to stop the Nazis from conquering more of Europe

3. The war created jobs for women and allowed for women to inter-grate themselves in the workplace

WW2 allowed for women to integrate and become part of the workforces. This is due to all the men becoming soldier thus, they needed women to replace these men's jobs while they were away fighting.

Women in Canada created many tanks, weapon, artillery and more in order to help the Allies win the war. Canadian women employed during the war increased by over 50%. One famous female engineer, Elsie MacGill, produced many Hurricanes in order to help Britain defend itself against Germany and to support the war effort.

This information matters since this surge of woman in the workforce helped created more spaces for women to have jobs. This by doing jobs that were dominated by men such as engineering and being part of the navy. The many Canadian women involved in WW2 helped create a better future for women in Canada

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- Point→ I think
 - Why? Go into Detail
 - Why that matter?→ Why that evidence is important to your point