

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD

Biographical Information
& Early Life

Political Rise

Prime Minister

Confederation

Canadian
Pacific
Railway

Pacific
Scandal

Louis Riel

Conclusion:
Macdonald's historical importance

Macdonald's Presence Today

QUESTIONS

- When did he live?
- When did his family come to Canada?
- What was his family's background?
- What events in his early life may have led him to becoming prime minister?
- Where were other significant events/details of his early life?

- What led Macdonald to politics?
- Which political party or parties did he belong to?
- What government position did he hold before becoming prime minister?
- What individuals were important the rise of Macdonald's political career?

- What were his goals for the country as prime minister?
- What were important events that led to the expansion of Canada?
- What were Macdonald's successes and accomplishments as prime minister?

- How is each of these topics important to Macdonald's contributions to Canada?
- What were his successes/accomplishments and challenges/failures with each of these topics?
- How might Canada be different today had these events not occurred?

- How/why is Macdonald important to Canadian heritage?

- No. 8 on CBC's Top 10 Greatest Canadians
- On the \$10 bill
- Macdonald-Cartier Freeway (Highway 401)
- Macdonald's temper
- Action figure sold @ Walmart