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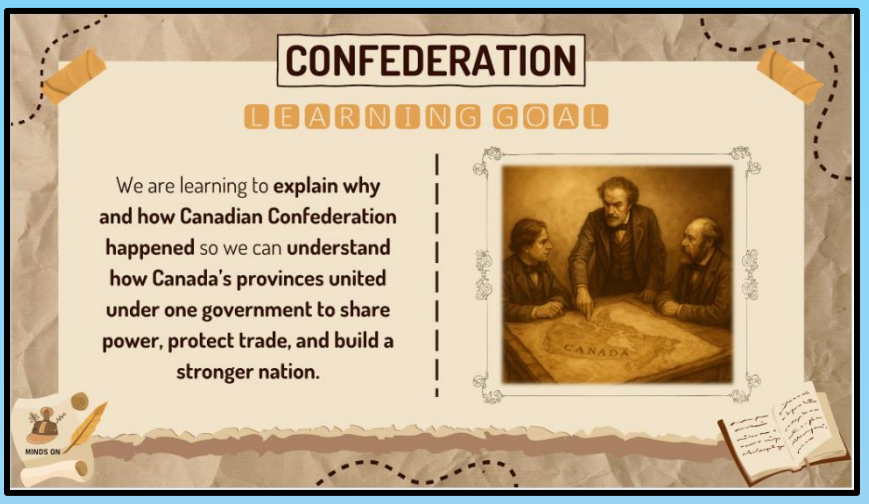
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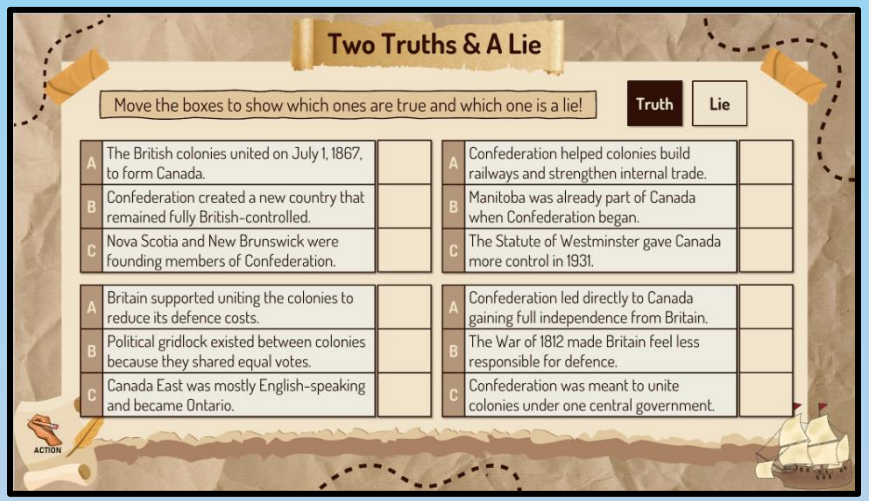
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3-Part Lesson Format

Part 1 – Minds On!

- Learning Goals
- Discussion Questions
- Quotes
- And More!



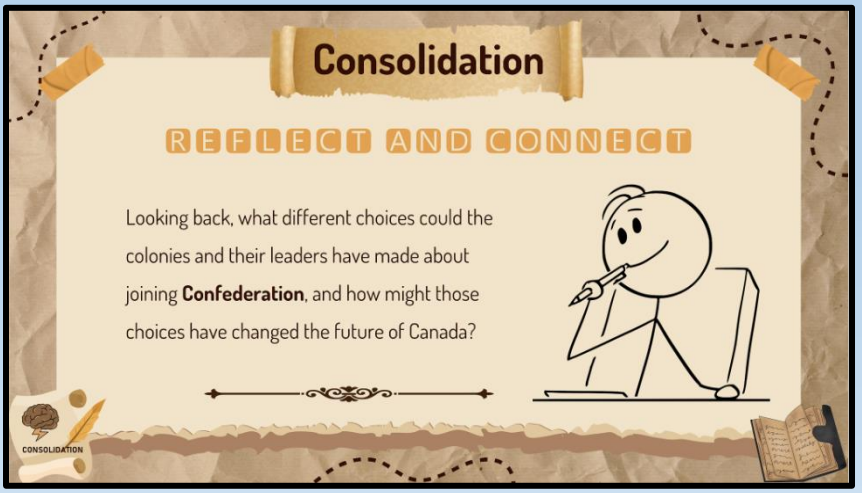


Part 2 – Action!

- Writing
- Matching
- Drag and Drop
- Drawing
- And More!

Part 3 – Consolidation!

- Exit Cards
- Quizzes
- Reflection
- And More!



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Put A Check

Put a ✓ only beside the statements that are true about George-Étienne Cartier.

- George-Étienne Cartier was born in Saint-Antoine-sur-Richelieu, Canada East.
- Cartier helped protect the French language, religion, and way of life.
- Cartier supported unfair treatment of French Canadians during the Rebellion of 1837.
- He worked closely with John A. Macdonald from Canada West.
- Cartier was Canada's first Prime Minister after Confederation.
- He promised that French language and culture would be protected in Quebec.
- Cartier led the fight against Confederation and refused to join.
- Bill 101 made French the official language of Quebec.
- Cartier served as Minister of Militia and Defence after Confederation.
- He opposed expanding Canada into Rupert's Land and the North-West Territories.

ACTION

or False

Can you answer these **True** or **False** questions?

1) Canada East had a larger population than Canada West in the 1850s.
2) The dispute over the capital city was part of political deadlock.
3) Political deadlock meant both sides often agreed on new government decisions.
4) Equal votes in Canada East and West made decisions difficult to pass.
5) George Brown and John A. Macdonald belonged to the same political party.
6) The Clear Grits were led by George Brown from Canada East.
7) The Queen of England suggested Ottawa as a compromise for the capital.
8) George Brown disagreed strongly with both French and English leaders.

True
False

ACTION

Read e...

	Cause
	The Fenians wanted to weaken British power in Ireland.
	The Fenians formed secret societies in the United States and Ireland.
	Canada had spies who learned about Fenian plans.
	The Fenians crossed the Niagara River in 1866.
	The Fenians lost the Battle of Ridgeway.
	John A. Macdonald saw the need for stronger defence.

A	The Ba... Port Colborne.
B	They decided to attack British colo... North America instead.
C	He used the raids as a reason to unite the colonies.
D	The Canadians were ready to defend their borders during the raids.
E	They retreated to the United States after heavy losses.
F	They were able to organize thousands of men to plan attacks.

ACTION

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