

# Impact on the Election Project

Goal: To investigate the processes and structures of power and authority, and the implications for individuals, communities, and nations. (PA)

PA8.1 Contemplate the implications of Canadian citizenship on the life of Canadians.

PA8.4 Assess the impact of citizens' willingness and ability to actively engage in the Canadian political processes.

***Make an impact on the 2015 Canadian Federal Election. In other words, make your voice heard.***

## Project Options

### Encourage people to vote.

How are you going to do it? What is your plan?

### Help a specific political party to win.

Which party are you helping? Why? What are they planning on doing that you support?

How are you going to help them win? What is your plan?

How are you going to approach them and when?

What kind of time do you need?

### Help a specific candidate to win.

Which candidate are you going to help? Why? What are they planning on doing that you support?

How are you going to help them win?

How are you going to approach them and when? What is your plan?

What kind of time do you need?

## Assessment

You need to demonstrate that you had an impact on the election. Whatever you choose to do, what is your evidence that you made an impact? Collect photos, videos, write-ups, testimonials from people and put them all into a single document that is typed with headings. This document should also include your plan, how things went and what you experienced as you carried out your plan. You will essentially be writing your own newsletter article about the project. If you use the newsletter article criteria checklist to help you write this report that would be sufficient.

Criteria	Specifics	Self		Teacher
	Clear statement of your objective			
	Detailed description of your plan			
	Researched information about federal government and elections			
	Detailed description of how things went and what you experienced as you carried out your plan			

	Pictures or video included that demonstrate your actions			
	Detailed description of what you feel your impact on the election was			
	Understands the Canadian federal system of government			
	Understands how the election works			

**Record two things that you liked about your achievement in this project.**

**Set two goals for improving the next time you do a similar project.**

## Impact on the Provincial Election Project

Pick an issue that is under the provincial jurisdiction. You need to do whatever you can to promote your stance on this issue. This can include supporting the candidate, party or leader that supports your stance on the issue. This can include finding ways to raise your issue in the election campaign.

You will be writing a 5 to 6 paragraph essay on your issue immediately following the election that will be sent to the MLA or party leader of your choice in order to make an impact on your issue. This means that you need to keep track of any websites you use for references.

Some provincial responsibilities that you can look at issues include:

Aboriginal Relations Education Energy Advanced Education Environment Municipal Affairs	Sustainable Resource Development Health Infrastructure (roads, bridges, water treatment, etc)	Tourism, Parks and Recreation Transportation Treasury Board Driver's License Justice
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Criteria	Specifics	Self		Teacher
	Clear statement of your issue			
	Detailed description of your plan to promote your stance on your issue			
	Detailed description of how things went and what you experienced as you carried out your plan			
	Pictures or video included that demonstrate your actions			
	Detailed description of what you feel your impact on the election was regarding your issue			
	Understands how the election works			
	Understands responsibilities of the provincial government			
<p><b>Record two things that you liked about your achievement in this project.</b></p>          <p><b>Set two goals for improving the next time you do a similar project.</b></p>				