CH8 French-English Relations (1980s and 1990s)

1. What is a referendum?

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2. Why did Quebec hold a referendum in 1980? What were the results of this referendum?

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3. Why did Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau propose the Constitution Act of 1982?

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4. Why didn’t Quebec sign the new constitution?

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5. What was the purpose of the Meech Lake Accord?

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6. Why was it an issue the Meech Lake Accord referred to Quebec as a “distinct society”?

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7. What were the five parts of the Meech Lake Accord?

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8. How was the Charlottetown Accord of 1992 different than the earlier failed Meech Lake Accord?

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9. a) Name the leader of the Bloc Quebecois federal party in 1993.

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b) Name the leader of the Parti Quebecois party who became premier of Quebec in 1994.

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10. What were the results of the 1995 referendum?

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11. Explain the ruling of the Supreme Court in 1998 regarding Quebec’s right to seek independence.

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12. Identify the name of the act passed in 1999 which stated that in any future referenda Quebec must ask a clear question and win a clear majority.

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