# **Chapter 1 - Just Before Confederation**

## A Time of Change

- 1. How old was John A. Macdonald when he came to the New World?
- 2. What kind of immigrants came during the 1700s and 1800s? (8)
- 3. What is confederation?

## **Politics in Canada**

- 1. What three things was the province of Canada divided on?
- 2. The assembly was divided into what two political groups?
- 3. What were these groups called in Canada East?

### **Choosing a Capital**

- 1. Where had the capital been since 1841? (4)
- 2. Who decided where the permanent capital was going to be?
- 3. What town was chosen?
- 4. What were the three reasons for having the capital city there?
- 5. Did the Assembly agree? What happened to John A. Macdonald's government?
- 6. What is a non-confidence vote?
- 7. How long was George Brown prime minister?

#### John A. Macdonald

- 1. Where was Macdonald from?
- 2. What career did Macdonald choose?
- 3. Why was his personal life very sad?

- 4. What did he do as a result?
- 5. What did Macdonald become in 1867?

#### **National Historic Sites**

- 1. What is Macdonald's home called?
- 2. Find the website of this historic place and post a few pictures of the inside

www.

#### **Political Deadlock**

- 1. Because the government was not working well, what was not getting passed?
- 2. Why could neither side of the assembly win?
- 3. What was this called?
- 4. What is representation by population?
- 5. Why did Canada East not want rep by pop?
- 6. What happened between 1861-1864 with government?
- 7. Who offered a solution?

#### **Coalition Government**

- 1. Did Macdonald and Brown like each other?
- 2. What did he suggest?
- 3. What is a coalition government?
- 4. What were the government's two plans?