

Vive le Canada! The Growth and change of a Nation

One of Canada's main claims to fame is its bilingualism - we have always been a country of dual languages, tracing back to our initial colonization by both Britain and France. At one point, Canada was largely French-speaking, with French settlers living in present-day Ontario, Québec, New Brunswick, and the prairie provinces. Even though we learn French in school, over the years French has lost its original power in Canada.

Discussion Questions:

1) At what point do you think the tide turned for French culture in Canada? Consider what you know about Canadian history, including events not shown in our Prezi presentation.

2) On April 17, 2014, the people of Québec will be voting in a provincial election. If the Parti Québécois win, some say that they will hold another **Referendum** deciding whether or not Québec should separate from Canada. Complete the chart below with your opinions. Make sure to provide evidence and reasons for your thinking.

If I was a French-speaking person living in Québec:	As an English-speaking person living in Ontario:
<i>I would vote (circle one):</i> Yes No	<i>I would vote (circle one):</i> Yes No
My reasoning:	My reasoning:

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