Understanding Nationalism

Chapter Highlights

Chapter 10: Foreign Policy and Internationalism

This chapter explores how countries set foreign policy and how they can promote internationalism through foreign policy.

Chapter Issue: Should foreign policy promote internationalism?

In this chapter you will learn about the following concepts:

- That foreign policy affects us in our everyday lives;
- That, when setting foreign policy goals, most countries try to balance their national and international interests; and,
- That humanitarianism is often the reason for giving aid to other countries.

Topics covered in this chapter include:

- 1. How do countries set foreign policy?
- 2. How can nation-states promote internationalism through foreign policy?
- 3. How does Canadian foreign policy promote both national interest and internationalism?

You will apply these skills to your understanding of foreign policy and internationalism:

- 1. **List** 3 things you know about how foreign policy decisions are made in Canada.
- 2. **Create** a T-chart to compare how foreign policy decisions are made in Canada and in a dictatorship.
- 3. **Write** a brief job description for Canada's minister of foreign affairs and international trade.
- 4. **Create** a graphic organizer to compare three foreign policy strategies.
- 5. **Examine** foreign policy options for Canada.
- 6. **Write** an interview between a reporter and a Canadian foreign policy expert.