

## Station #1

### Victorian News: Top Stories of the Victorian Era



**Class time allotted:** 1 period – one news story per student

#### Resources:

- Library books (e.g., *The Victorian Vision*, *History as Hot News 1865 – 1897*, various Canadian history books)
- More library books from the shelves – browse 971.04 for Canadian history during the Victorian Era, or check Webcat
- *The British Colonist* (browse a date between 1858 – 1901) at <http://library.uvic.ca/site/spcoll/digit/colonist/>

#### Instructions:

- Look at *History as Hot News 1865 – 1897* and *The British Colonist* (between 1858 – 1901) as sample Victorian era newspapers
- Identify 4 Victorian issues or events that your group would like to learn more about. Assign one topic per group member. Some suggestions might include:
  - an article about our school's namesake, William Ewart Gladstone, who lived during the Victorian era; a medical discovery; an article about a colony; an invention; a specific event (e.g., Jack the Ripper, the Irish Famine, cholera epidemic, the Great Fire of 1886 in Gastown...)
- Each person is to research their issue/event. Consider the “5 W’s” (Who, What, When, Where, Why and How). Summarize the details into a well written article or editorial, and add an eye witness account/interview to embellish your story.
- Create an attention-grabbing title and headline. Include an image with a caption. Again, consider the “5 W’s” when writing you caption.
- Cite all sources used for content and images (one Works Cited page per student).

#### What you should complete in class:

- Your research (content and image)
- Rough draft of article and editorial
- Complete citations for each source used
- Briefly cite each image by including the first word of the citation (or more if duplicate working for first word or two) in parentheses below each image and including the complete citation in your Works Cited

#### What you should finish at home:

- Good copy (proofread & formatted) of article, image and caption
- Works Cited page

#### What to submit for Evaluation:

- Good copy (proofread and formatted) of article, image and caption
- Works Cited page