

Understanding Nationalism

Chapter Highlights

Chapter 3: Reconciling Nationalist Loyalties

This chapter looks at factors related to loyalties and choice. Loyalties often create conflict that can lead to political struggles or even war.

Chapter Issue: *How should people reconcile their contending nationalist loyalties?*

In this chapter you will learn about the following concepts:

- When faced with a choice, loyalties play a role in the decisions you make;
- That people affirm their nationalistic loyalties both individually and in groups;
- That Canada's constitution includes the idea of *reasonable accommodation*;
- That nationalistic loyalties can create conflict; and,
- Reconciliation can help people coexist (live together).

Topics covered in this chapter include:

1. How nationalist loyalties shape people's choices.
2. What choices have people made to affirm nationalist loyalties?
3. How can nationalist loyalties create conflict?
4. How people have reconciled contending nationalist loyalties.

You will apply these skills to your understanding of reconciling nationalist loyalties:

1. **List** three ways you show loyalty to a friend, to a group, or to Canada.
2. **State** two examples of contending loyalties that could affect your life in the future.
3. **Develop** a scenario in which a person must choose among several loyalties.
4. **Define** reasonable accommodation.
5. **Explain** what the phrase "contending nationalist loyalties" means.
6. **Create** a slogan or symbol that celebrates Canada as a diverse nation.