

Arthur Currie

These questions can help to guide a student's viewing of the Arthur Currie biography.

1. What was Arthur Currie's nickname? Why was he given this name?
2. Besides the Battle of Ypres, list three other battles in which Currie played an important role.
3. What was the controversy surround Currie's involvement in the battle of Mons?
4. How did Victoria, BC provide an escape for Currie? What was the name of the regiment he joined?
5. How did Currie differ from other recruits in his training? What does this say about Currie's character?
6. What event in Nanaimo did Currie and the Dandy 5th become involved in? How did this impact Currie's future?
7. What was the controversy surrounding Currie and the missing funds? What event diverted people's attention from his theft?
8. What symptoms were often experienced as a result of gas attacks?
9. When did the Germans first release the gas? Describe the circumstances of this battle. Currie and the Canadians ended up holding the front alone. Why? Who did Currie blame? What was his solution?
10. Why didn't Currie "look the part" of a general?
11. Why did Currie become fanatic about? What did Currie's troops think of him?
12. In which battle were extensive underground tunnels used?
13. How long had the Germans held Vimy Ridge? What type of attack was Currie able to successfully use to take the ridge? Describe this strategic approach.
14. Why didn't Currie always get along with other soldiers? How did he manage to bring Canadians together despite this?
15. Why was 1917 a big year for Currie?
16. What battle does Currie refer to as "Hell"? Why?

17. What was the contradiction in Currie's character?
18. What was the result of the Battle of Passchendaele? How many Canadian casualties were there?
19. According to the video, what is the irony of history?
20. How did Haig and Currie disagree over the battle at Canal du Nords? What was the result?
21. Who was George Lawrence Price? Where was he from?
22. What city newspaper embellished rumours and accused Currie of sacrificing men for personal glory?
23. Who was one of Currie's biggest fans?
24. Who did Currie sue? What was the outcome of the trial?
25. Who was the one juror that disagreed with the final verdict? Why did he disagree?
26. What message did George Lawrence Price's father send to Currie in a telegram?
27. What did Currie lobby the King government for after the war?
28. How much money was given to Currie's wife after his death?
29. Who delivered Currie's eulogy?
30. How do you think Currie should be remembered?