Klondike Kate

*These questions can help to guide a student’s viewing of the Klondike Kate biography.*

1. When, where, and what was the Klondike Gold Rush?

2. What was Klondike Kate’s real name? Where was she born? How did she receive her nickname?

3. Who did Kate first leave home to find?

4. When she arrived in Seattle, what did she find?

5. How did Kate travel to the Yukon? How did she survive her voyage?

6. What did Kate set up when she arrived in the Klondike? Where was it located? What was the structure like? What was it made of?

7. How may Kate’s childhood have helped to prepare her for the Klondike?

8. In the early twentieth century, what were the three roles that women were typically expected to fill? Based on this, why was Kate’s decision to join the Gold Rush so bold?

9. How did the Stock Market Crash of 1929 affect Kate? What happened to her at this time?

10. Who was Kitt Rockwell? How did she affect Kate’s life? How did Kate deal with her?

11. What role did Kate play in the North West Mounted Police?

12. Is Klondike Kate an important figure in Canadian History? Explain why or why not.