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Life in the 1900's was depressing and was an era filled with extremely hard and strenous work that didn't offer any future for the average canadian in doing better. If you were an average wage earner you would be virtually stuck in the same job for the rest of your life, while rich maintained their wealth mainly caused by the low taxes. Living conditions were poor for average canadians and even worse for the arriving immigrants. At this time some of the modern   
convienences were just being invented and even if it were for sale only the extremely rich had the option of purchasing the items. Sports being very new, in the aspect of it being organized was small time compared to present day.

Travelling required time and was uncomfortable. Only the rich could   
have the luxurious accomadations for those long journeys. Many jobs   
were available to most people but you were under constant scrutiny   
while working and would have to be willing to do any thing the boss   
wanted. I believe my friends and I would most likely resent and   
despise it if we had to live in the 1900's.

During the 1900's horses played a significant role in the everyday   
life. A horse drawn carriage would bring a docter to the house of   
where a baby would be born. A hearse was pulled by horses to the   
cemetery when somebody died. Farmers used them to pull their ploughs   
while town dwellers kept them for transportation around town. Horses   
puled delivery wagons for businesses such as bakery, dairy, and coal   
company. Horses pulled fire engines through the streets in a fire   
The bicycle was widely accepted by canadians because of its easy   
maintence compared to a horse. The bike allowed an option of   
transportation. The bicycle also gave a sense of freedom to virtually   
Henry Ford revolutionized the world we live in by inventing the " horseless carriage", if it had not been for him, instead of taking   
the GO bus in the morning we'd be riding a horse named Wanda. Not only   
did his invention offer a method of transportation to the public, but   
it helped with our emergency services such as fire engines, police   
cars, and ambulances. Now we have a large variety of cars to choose   
from varying in size and price. He also brought a large profitable   
industry to North America... The car industry. Back then there weren't   
many problems that they created. Today, we have our deteriorating   
ozone layer, poisonous chemicals that come from exhaust fumes   
(CO2)(Carbon Monoxide). Not to mention the traffic accidents, parking   
problems and traffic jams in downtown Toronto.

11 years previous to WW I Orville and Wilbur Wright made a successful   
flight in the first airplane at the beach of Kitty Hawk, North   
Carolina. Although the flight only lasted 12 seconds it would change   
The telephone allowed the houseneeds to be satisfied without leaving   
they're homes. Women received an oppurtunity to work as a a switch   
I don't know if I can stress the importance of Marconi's invention   
enough. But I can say, that without it not only would there be no T. V.

or radio there would be a lot of unemployed people right now(even more   
unemployed than now!!!). The reason for that is radio provides people   
with jobs such as DJ's, musical programmers etc. Also, radio is a   
major form of advertising, without it there would not be as many   
advertising agencies or as many positions in this field. Without T. V.,   
advertising agencies would also face the same consequences. T. V.

provides millions of people with employment in commercials, T. V.

Baseball was the most popular sport in the United States where the   
World Series began in 1903. Tom Longboat was born in Brantford,   
Ontario and was known for outrunning a horse over a 19 km coarse. He   
set a record of 2 hours, 24 min and 24 seconds when he ran the Boston Marathon.

Jan 22/1901 Queen Victoria died at the age of 63 years. The Queens   
reign stretched across the globe. With her death came modernization.

In the early 1900's horses were being used extensivley for all   
transportating duties and some manual labor jobs. A few years later   
the bicycle hit Canada and presented the Canadians with a better   
option of transportation mainly because of the simplicity of   
maintence. During these other discoveries the automobile was being   
perfected for use by the general public. By the 1920's the automobile   
was no longer a rich man's toy and was being used by many people. 1903   
saw the first succesful flight fo the airplane bh Orville and Wilbur   
Wright at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. At about the same time Alexander   
Graham Bell invented the telephone in Nova Scotia. By the turn of the   
century telephones had uses increased from ordering household goods to   
supplying jobs for women and men. 1901, Signal Hill in St. John's   
Newfoundland Guglielmo Marcone received the first radio signal sent   
across the Atlantic Ocean. 20 years would elasped before radio   
broadcasting becomes mass entertainment. First movies were seen in the   
19th century. 20 years will pass till speaking films arrive. 1903 the   
United States had their first World Series. In Canada, Tom Longboat   
was a famous runner who was famous for running faster than a horse on   
a 19 km course. Later to be proclaimed the worlds best marathoner. In   
the early 1900's modern covienences were just being available like   
bathrooms, electric washing machines, sewing machines, electric   
hearing aids, vacuum cleaners. The very fortuanate who could afford   
these items would order them from the Eaton's Catologue. All types of   
goods could be ordered in the Eaton's Catologue from fence posts to   
fashionable hats. The time period between 1901 and 1911 almost 2   
million people immigrated to Canada from Europe, Britain and the   
United States. Due to the population growth, in 1905 Alberta and   
Saskatchewan became apart of the Confederation. The railway boom in   
1903-1904 helped elevate the employment. Materials needed to build the   
railways and the transporting of the materials started the   
industrialization. Urbanization led to a serious problem of   
overcrowding. The three economic classes were the rich, average, and the immigrants. With low taxes this allowed the rich to spend on   
frivalous items such as horse and carriages. In contrast the average   
would only use their money for the neccessities in survival. At the   
bottom were the immigrants that were forced to live in unsanitary   
conditions and dank, damp basements. Not only were there differences   
of wealth or lack of but there was a difference in women and men's   
treatment. For example women did not have the freedom to enter pool   
room's, taverns and even bowling allies. Choices for women were   
working in stores and factories. Even if you came from a rich family   
your choices would have been nursing or teaching. Coming from a poor   
family women tended to just become a domestic servent. Women didn't   
have the right to vote like the men. In 1876 Dr Emily Stowe formed   
Toronto Women's Literary Club(TWLC). The purpose of this club was to   
inform women of their rights and to help secure women's rights. This   
group persuaded U of T to admit women in 1866. Also improved wages and   
working conditions. Womens Christian Temperence Union(WCTU) their goal   
was to combat problems created by alcohol in the society. A great   
social speaker Nellie Mclung received her start in WCTU to lead in the   
fight for equal freedom and for womens rights.

After discovering information about the 1900's I have come to the   
conclusion that in the 1900's was both good and bad. It was good   
because of the rising industries thus raising the economy. The main   
industries working for Canada were the railways, and road building.

These industries provided needed jobs and the materials needed to   
complete these projects helped Canada grow even more. Low taxes meant   
you could pay for more important expenditures than paying to the   
government. The bad part of the 1900's was the three living standards   
in how most people were the poor and very little were rich. The modern   
convienences were not available to everyone in the early 1900's   
because these devices would have been very expensive caused by the   
newness of the products. Even though were guys I can see how women   
would have despised the fact that you were not able to vote or enter   
any buildings without checking it if it's not a tavern, pool room, and   
a bowling alley. Due to these outsanding points that stuck first in my mind I have changed my mind and believe it was both good and bad.

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