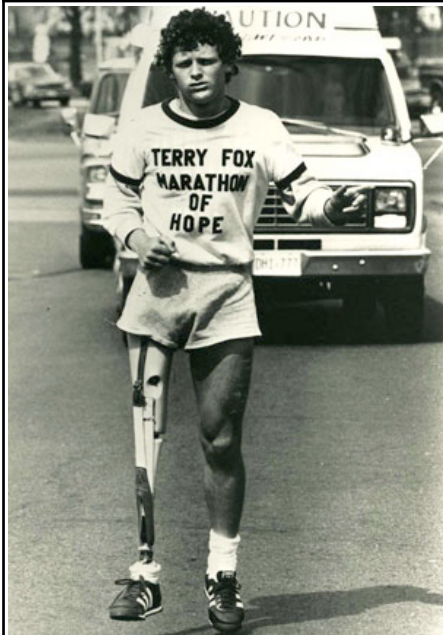


## 5A: Culture and Society in the Modern Era



### Lesson Focus Question

- How did Canadian society change from 1980 to the present?
- How did social policies (e.g. multiculturalism) affect women and minority groups (e.g. immigrants) in the 1980s?

**Main Reference:** Cranny, M., Moles, G. (2010).

*Counterpoints: Exploring Canadian Issues*. Toronto: Pearson.

**Reading:** Ch. 7 p. 240-249

**Teacher Presentation:** Keynote 22 - Society 1980-2001

**Image:** Terry Fox in action as he runs along a street during his Marathon of Hope

**Source:** <http://www.pc.gc.ca/culture/vancouver2010/page2/terryfox.aspx>

**Follow-up:** What do you know about Terry Fox and his legacy?

### Discussion Question

Read the description of the 1980s and beyond on p. 242 (Popular Culture...) and the Gen X/Y chart on p. 243. Does this fit with what you've learned about the 1980s from your parents or others? Do you think the Gen X/Y descriptions are accurate? What do you think characterizes your generation in terms of music, fashion, literature, values, or other aspects of culture?

Notes on this topic:

### Questions

1. What have been/will be some of the impacts of the aging baby boom? (p. 242-243)

2. Look through p. 244-245. What do you think has been the most important invention of the last 30 years? Why?

3. Discuss some of the impacts of the Multiculturalism Act of 1988 (p. 246)

4. Do you think we need a multiculturalism policy? Why do views differ on this subject (p. 247)

5. How did rights change for women and minorities in the 1980s and 90s? (p. 248)

6. Watch some 1980s celebrity music video fundraisers... USA, British, Canadian 80s style



Other notes?....