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| **Enduring Understandings** | **Essential Questions** | **Overall Expectations** | **Specific Expectations** |
| Various political, economic, and military options are available to countries involved in a conflict as mandated by the balance of power. | What are the political, economic and military options that are available to countries involved in a conflict? | 1. Describe the structure and function of international intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations | 1.Analyse the participation of government and non-governmental organizations in the global community (eg. in the areas of humanitarian assistance, collective security, diplomacy, technical cooperation)  2. Explain the effects on national sovereignty of the trend towards global decision making (with reference to the European Union [EU], Free Trade Area of the Americas [FTAA]) |
| International cooperation is inconsistent because of the ongoing power struggles between super power nations. | How are the ongoing power struggles between super power nations impacting international cooperation? | 1.Describe the main ways in which sovereign states and non-state participants cooperate and deal with international conflicts  2. Communicate knowledge, opinions, and interpretations about events, issues, and trends relating to politics and citizenship, using a variety of forms of communication | 1.Identify ways of preventing war and conflict between states (eg. military preparation, international law, peace movements)  2. Identify the causes and consequences of non-governmental international conflict and violence (eg. terrorism, ethnic conflict, organized crime)  3. Express opinions, understandings, arguments, and conclusions, as appropriate for different audiences and purposes, using a variety of styles and forms (eg., role plays, interviews, simulations, debates, group presentations, seminars, reports, essays)  4. Use appropriate terminology to communicate political concepts, opinions, and arguments |

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| Questions of human rights abuses are highly contested due to limitations of state-centric politics. | How does the current structure of international politics affect how we address human rights abuses? | 1. Evaluate the role and operation of international Human Rights protection system  2. Communicate knowledge, opinions, and interpretations about events, issues, and trends relating to politics and citizenship, using a variety of forms of communication | 1. Explain the role of states and key agencies (eg., U.N. Commission on Human Rights, Commission on the Status of Women) in international controversies about human rights  2. Evaluate the effectiveness of the actions of international organizations or states in cases of human rights violations (eg., decisions of the International Criminal Court and International Court of Justice, Amnesty International)  3. Express opinions, understandings, arguments, and conclusions, as appropriate for different audiences and purposes, using a variety of styles and forms (eg., role plays, interviews, simulations, debates, group presentations, seminars, reports, essays)  4. Use appropriate terminology to communicate political concepts, opinions, and arguments |
| Canada’s role on the international stage has adapted over time to fit the changing political climate | How has Canada’s response evolved from a militaristic approach to a humanitarian approach? | 1. Evaluate the role of Canada and Canadians in the international community  2. Evaluate the role of Canada and Canadians in the international community  3. Communicate knowledge, opinions, and interpretations about events, issues, and trends relating to politics and citizenship, using a variety of forms of communication | 1. Explain how Canada tries to settle its external conflicts  2. Evaluate the nature and quality of Canada’s influence within selected world and regional organizations  3. Express opinions, understandings, arguments and conclusions as appropriate for different audiences and purposes using a variety of styles and forms |