

Morris “Two-Gun” Cohen

These questions can help to guide a student’s viewing of the Morris Cohen biography.

1. During the early 1900s, what Canadian law allowed for discrimination against Chinese immigrants?
2. Who was Morris Cohen? Where was he born? What led him to become a citizen of Canada?
3. Why did Morris associate with Chinese Canadians?
4. In 1911, who travelled from China to Canada to raise money for a revolution in his home country?
5. Describe Saskatoon in the early 1900s. What kind of town was it?
6. What happened in China in October of 1911?
7. What two faces does the video present Morris as wearing?
8. Why did Morris join the army? What was his role?
9. How did the Chinese welcome Morris into their country? What did they name him?
10. Describe the relationship between Morris and Sun Yet-san.
11. What was Morris’ role in China?
12. What was the Wambo Academy? Who was Chiang Kaishek?
13. How did the Second World War affect Morris and China?
14. What was the most significant turning point in Morris’ later life?
15. Did Morris enjoy his return to Canada? Why or why not?
16. What is Morris’ significance as a Canadian abroad and at home?
17. How did the Chinese honour Morris’ contributions to their historical development?