



## Student worksheet 4: Telephone

**I read, I think, therefore...**

**I read**

### **1867 to 1920**

- Alexander Graham Bell patented his first telephone in 1876. By 1900, a new battery system improved the telephone system and its use.
- The total number of telephones in Canada increased from \_\_\_\_\_ in 1913 to \_\_\_\_\_ in 1916. The province or territory that used the most telephones in 1916 was \_\_\_\_\_ and the fewest were used in \_\_\_\_\_.

*Canada Year Book 1916/1917, Table 66, page 486.*

### **1921 to 1967**

- By 1965, the total number of telephones used was \_\_\_\_\_. The telecommunications industry employed 2% of Canadians.
- Reginald Fessenden was the first person to transmit voice by wireless telephone in 1906. This would open up a new form of communication: radio.

*Canada Year Book 1967, Table 2, page 871.*

**I think**

Give your thoughts about the development of the telephone system in Canada. Compare the number of telephones at different times in the 1900s. In your own words, describe milestones in the telephone industry.

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**Therefore**

Sum up your thoughts and draw at least one important conclusion about whether or not the government's goal to connect all Canadians was met.

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