

Junior Cert/Cycle CSPE, History:
Democracy (CSPE) Developing
historical consciousness, working with
evidence, acquiring the 'big picture'
(History Strand 1) Recognising key
change, exploring people, culture and
ideas, applying historical thinking
(History Strand 2)

Lesson Plan 5: Main Personalities

Learning Intentions:

At the end of this lesson students will

- 1. Be able to name some of the key personalities involved on the first day,
- 2. Understand their roles and functions,
- 3. Explain why some of those elected were not present on the day.

Key Skills:

Communicating, Working With Others, Managing Information and Thinking.

Resources:

Key Personalities Worksheet Can Be Downloaded From The Resources Section Of Dáil 100 http://dib.cambridge.org/

Introduction:

To help introduce students to the upcoming activity, undertake a quick brainstorming activity around the previous lesson and see what the students remember from the day itself. Can they remember who was elected ceann Comhairle, can they recall what the different terms used on the roll were for example?

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Conclusion:

As a concluding activity get each student to write a short profile on any two of the key personalities described on the worksheet.

