

Terry Fox Discussion Guide

Essay Topics

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During the Marathon of Hope Terry Fox said, “even if I don’t finish, we need others to continue. It’s got to keep going without me.” Not only did Terry Fox inspire millions of Canadians, and raise millions of dollars, he also was a driving force behind cancer research in Canada. Research Terry’s influence on cancer research and discuss the development of this research area in Canada.

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In recognition of his heroic actions Terry was awarded the Order of Canada, one of the highest honours bestowed upon Canadians. Research other recipients of the Order of Canada and discuss the achievements of one recipient of your choice.

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Terry Fox has left a legacy of hope and will forever be one of Canada’s greatest heroes. Discuss what made Terry stand out as a hero and why you believe his legacy carries on.

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At the beginning of the Marathon of Hope Terry gathered water from the Atlantic Ocean with the intention of pouring it into the Pacific Ocean. Throughout his journey he took other actions to insure all Canadians were motivated to participate in the Marathon of Hope. Discuss other gestures Terry made to include and unite the nation.

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Heroes inspire and motivate us. Write about your hero. Why does this person inspire you, and how have they affected your life?

