

Inventions of the 1920's

Radio

- Great communication invention
- Connected a large, diverse country
- Inexpensive entertainment

Automobiles

- Henry Ford introduced inexpensive automobiles to North America through a process of mass production (the assembly line) and division of labour
- Connected Canada (made farm life less lonely, isolated)
- Became a status symbol that represented freedom and glamour
- Automobile industry had caused the need for many other industries (service stations, roadside diners, repair shops)
- It also created problems with pollution, traffic congestion, and death

Aviation

- WWI veterans bought planes
- Bush pilots opened up the Canadian north and became an essential communication tool for remote regions of Canada
- In 1924 the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) was established

Insulin

- Developed by Frederick Banting and Charles Best
- Helped people cope with diabetes
- Concept was first tested on dogs

Penicillin

- Discovered by Alexander Flemming
- First antibiotic invented
- Help protect people when they got sick