## **SOCIAL STUDIES 9 UNIT 2: SECTION 1**

## Objectives of the YCJA

Complete the chart after reading the articles on **pages 72 and 73** of your textbook *Issues for Canadians*. Type your responses between the blue brackets provided. An example is provided below to assist you.

| Article Headline                             | Objective Being<br>Challenged | Key Points in Article  | Your Thoughts on the Article   |
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| "Automatic adult jail terms eyed for youth?" | Meaningful<br>consequences    | <ul> <li>Conservative government plans to introduce a bill to treat young offenders more harshly.</li> <li>Possible change is to make it automatic for youth 14+ to receive adult sentences if they are repeat or violent offenders.</li> <li>Another possible change is to allow publication of offenders' names and give a permanent criminal record if youth are 16 or 17 and charged with serious crimes.</li> </ul> | Perhaps the changes are a good idea; the serious offences committed by young offenders should not be taken lightly. The safety of everyone in society must be considered. Perhaps more serious consequences will prevent more crime. |
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Save your completed chart to your **Activities** folder.