Aspects of the ‘Civic Nation’ – Handout

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| **Aspect** | **Description** |
| **Shared Values and Beliefs** |  |
| **Expressing Shared Values and Beliefs** |  |
| **Nation and Nation-State** |  |
| **Civic Nationalism vs. Ethnic Nationalism** |  |

Describe a Civic Nation (Pg. 31):

**Making a Difference: Mustafa Kemal Ataturk (Pg. 34)**

**1. Why would Turks have given Mustafa Kemal the last name Ataturk, which means “father of the Turks”?**

**2. In 2007, many Turks protested government plans to introduce more religion to the country’s government. One protester told a reporter: “I am here to defend my country. I am here to defend Ataturk’s revolution.” Why might this protester have thought of her country and “Ataturk’s revolution” as the same thing? Do you think this protester would call Turkey an ethnic or a civic nation? Explain why.**

**3. Read Ataturk’s message to Turkish youth. Does anything about it inspire you? Does anything bother you? Predict whether a Canadian leader would say something similar to Canadian young people. If she or he did, would you accept this responsibility? Why or why not?**